

## **Festive Lighting 2025/26 update – Funding approved - Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

**3** With reference to the minutes of 24th September 2025 there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding Festive Lighting within the Ward, advising of the central funding of £3,600 available to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting and the proposed costs and locations, advising

- (1) of the 2024/25 festive displays and switch-on events and asked the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2025/26 programme;
- (2) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-2028 festive lighting programme following the procurement exercise carried out to deliver the programme; and
- (3) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be met by the Area Partnership from other funds.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the festive lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2025/26 programme;
- (b) approved
  - (i) additional funding of £13,710 over and above the central funding for the 2025/26 Festive Lighting programme, as detailed in the report; and
  - (ii) additional funding of £2,100 over and above the central funding for the re-instatement of Christmas lighting at the Barras market, subject to Meabh Bradley, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability contacting organisations involved with the Barras Market regarding contributing towards this cost for the future festive lighting programme; and
- (c) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
  - (i) investigate the feasibility, costings and use of funds from the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Investment Fund of the planting of permanent Christmas trees at the 4 locations, as detailed in the report;
  - (ii) investigate potential funding through the Glasgow Life, Golden Z project for future funding at the Barras Market;
  - (iii) provide a complete breakdown of specific individual costings of Christmas trees and festive lighting, as detailed in the report; and

- (iv) provide information regarding the procurement/control standards, quality and type of Christmas trees, maintenance, disposal and costings to assist potential 3rd parties to secure procurement and supply their own Christmas trees for the future festive lighting programme.