

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

6 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 asking the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2025/26 programme;
- (2) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-28 festive lighting programme following the procurement exercise carried out to deliver the programme;
- (3) that the natural tree on Byres Road had been removed from the site due to ash dieback and therefore was not included in the Area Partnership 2025/26 costs leaving a balance of £400; and
- (4) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be met by Partick East/Kelvindale Area Partnership 2025/26 Area Budget allocation.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2025/26 programme;
- (b) approved the costs for 2025/26 festive lighting which included a Christmas tree (off road) at Mansfield Park and an additional cost to upgrade this to an 18-21ft tree and a switch on event located at Mansfield Park; and
- (c) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
 - (i) bring forward proposals for utilising the remaining £400 from the central funding; and
 - (ii) arrange a site meeting with the Area Partnership, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and Greenspace Team to discuss the area for planting the Christmas tree at Mansfield Park.