Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund report noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

6 There was tabled a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding the Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund, advising

(1) that funding had been made from the Festive Lighting fund for trees and lighting in Hecla Park and that the Hecla Park COVID 19 Memorial had been completed;

(2) that improvements at Gorget Avenue were scheduled for 2023;

(3) of suggested projects for the Partnership to consider for 2022/23; and

(4) that NRS would hold further engagement with the community with regard to approving funding from both 2021/22 and 2022/23 funds and would contact the Partnership to seek further recommendations and organise site visits as appropriate.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) the report; and

(ii) that the £73,500 budget should be split between the ward's 3 community councils, with projects to be proposed to NRS for approval at a future meeting of this Partnership; and

(b) requested

(i) information regarding an award of £2,500 to Temple Shaft Youth Project, who had not yet received funds from NRS;

(ii) an update about the Scottish Government and COSLA funding towards refurbishment of children's play areas;

(iii) that improvements to Temple Walkway should be statutory repairs carried out by NRS and not funded by the Partnership; and

(iv) that a more detailed report confirming projects and costings be provided to the next meeting of the Partnership on 20th September 2023.