Variation in order of business.

7 The Partnership agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund 2023/24 – Allocation of funding approved.

8 In terms of paragraph 12.4 of the Governance Framework there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding 2 proposed options for investment from the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund 2023/24, advising

(1) that in October 2021, a section of footpath leading from Greenock Avenue, an accessible entrance to Linn Park and part of an active travel route, had been temporary closed due to evidence of rockfall and as a result of the complexity of the remedial works, a geotechnical consultant had been appointed to carry out an options appraisal of the works required;

(2) that the Council and Friends of Linn Park had engaged with Paths for All who had launched the Ian Findlay Fund which was available to community groups for improvements and access to paths, particularly those which promoted active travel;

(3) that the estimated cost of the remedial works was £185,000 and it was proposed that Friends of Linn Park lead an application to Paths for All for £100,000 of funding from the Ian Findlay Fund and a condition of the funding was that a percentage of match funding must be evidenced before any monies were granted;

(4) that it was proposed, in principle that the remaining £85,000 of funding for the works be meet from the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund 2023/24;

(5) of the next steps for the works at Linn Park;

(6) that Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability had been working in collaboration with Cassiltoun Housing Association in the management and maintenance of Castlemilk Park and the lighting columns around the pond, a well-used route for the local residents which formed part of the main footpath network through Castlemilk Park, as well as a route to the Jeely Piece Club which were not in operation;

(7) that Cassiltoun Housing Association had successfully applied for funding to the Iain Findlay Fund for the replacement of the lighting columns at a total cost of £129,00 and a condition of the funding was that the Council made a contribution to the works; and

(8) that it was proposed that £7,370 of funding from the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund 2023/24 be made to Cassiltoun Housing Association for the replacement of the lighting columns at Castlemilk Park.

After consideration, the committee

(a) noted the report;

(b) approved, in principle £85,000 of funding to The Friends of Linn from the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund 2023/24; and

(c) approved £7,370 of funding to Cassiltoun Housing Association from the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund 2023/24 for the replacement of lighting columns at Castlemilk Park.