Glasgow Community Planning Partnership

Pollokshields Area Partnership

Item 6

21st June 2022

Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

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FESTIVE LIGHTING PROGRAMME 2022/23

Purpose of Report:

The purpose of this report is:

(1) to advise members of the central funding available and the pricing guidelines for the 2022/23 festive lighting programme;

(2) remind members of the 21/22 festive lighting locations; and

(3) to seek agreement on locations and, where necessary, additional funding for the 2022/23 programme.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to

(1) note the 2021/22 festive lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2022/23 programme;

(2) agree the 2022/23 programme including locations for festive lighting installations and where switch on events are proposed to be held;

(3) approve the necessary funding for any additional costs over and above the central funding; and

(4) delegate authority to the Chair to make any decisions that are required prior to finalisation of the programme on 30 June 2022.

Ward No(s): Citywide:

Local member(s) advised: Yes ☐ No ☐ consulted: Yes ☐ No ☐

Introduction

1. The Council took the decision to delegate funding for peripheral festive lighting to the Area Partnerships as part of the budget process for 20/21. A similar arrangement is proposed for the 2022/23 programme.
2. Each Area Partnership is awarded £3,600 central funding to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting, usually at a single location.
3. Area Partnerships have the option to fund additional festive lighting locations.

21/22 Festive Lighting Programme

4. The festive lighting locations for the Ward delivered as part of the 21/22 programme are shown below.

Location	**Type of Feature**
Queen's Park (Langside Halls)	Xmas Tree (Cost split with Wards 7 & 8)
Pollokshields (Kildrostan St)	Natural Trees (3 No) (1)
Shawlands Cross (Granary)	Xmas Tree (Off Road)

Note 1: The natural trees have been assessed as being no longer suitable for hanging festive lights due to the brittle branches. An alternative location is proposed below at paragraph 7.

22/23 Festive Lighting Programme

5. The standard pricing schedule for the 22/23 festive lighting programme is set out below:

Option	**Price**
15-18ft Xmas Tree (Off Road)	£3,600 / tree
15-18ft Xmas Tree (On Road)	£5,000 / tree
18-21ft Xmas Tree	£300 surcharge
Lights in Natural Tree	£3,600 / tree
Street Lighting Column Features	£3,600 for 8 No (£450 / column)
Switch-on Event (Off Road)	£100 / event
Switch-on Event (On Road)	£800 / event

6. The cost to repeat the 21/22 programme in 22/23, excluding switch-on events would be as follows:

Location	Feature	Price
Queen's Pk (Langside Halls)	Xmas Tree (Off Road)	£1,200 (3-way split)
ALTERNATIVE: Darnley Pl	Natural Tree (1 No)	£3,600
Shawlands Cross (Granary)	Xmas Tree (Off Road)	£3,600
	Sub-Total	£8,400
	Deduct Central Funding	£3,600
	Total Additional Funding	**£4,800**

7. As noted above in paragraph 4, the natural trees at Kildrostan Street have been assessed as being unsuitable for festive lights going forward due to the brittle nature of the branches. An alternative location nearby at Darnley Place has been identified for consideration by the Area Partnership. The proposal is to dress the natural tree highlighted within the yellow circle below.



8. The Area Partnership is able to nominate additional or alternative festive lighting locations to those delivered as part of the 21/22 programme. Where a new location is proposed, the feasibility and cost of the new location will be assessed by the NRS festive lighting team and reported to the Area Partnership Chair for a decision prior to 30 June 2022.

9. The Area Partnership is invited to identify the locations where a switch on event is proposed to be held for either a Xmas or natural tree. Column mounted features will come on at the same time as the street lights on the day of installation.

10. If the total cost of the delivering the festive lighting programme selected by the Area Partnership exceeds the £3,600 central funding, then the balance of the funding will require to be met by the Area Partnership from other funds.

Recommendations.

11. The Area Partnership is asked to:

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    (3) approve the necessary funding for any additional costs over and above the central funding; and

    (4) delegate authority to the Chair to make any decisions that are required prior to finalisation of the programme on 30 June 2022.