Festive Lighting 2022/23 – Proposals continued etc – Request to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods and Regeneration – Authority to Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities.

5 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) regarding the 2022/23 Festive Lighting Programme, advising

(1) that each Area Partnership would be awarded £3,600 central funding to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting;

(2) of the festive lighting locations for the ward delivered as part of the 2021/22 programme, as detailed in the report;

(3) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2022/23 festive lighting programme, and the cost to repeat the 2021/22 programme in 2022/23, excluding switch-on events, as detailed in the report;

(4) that the Partnership would be able to nominate additional or alternative festive lighting locations to those delivered as part of the 2021/22 programme, and that should any new location be proposed, the feasibility and cost of the new location would be assessed and reported back to the Chair of this partnership for a decision prior to 30th June 2022; and

(5) that if the total cost of the delivery of the festive lighting programme selected by the Area Partnership exceeded the £3,600 central funding, the balance of the funding would require to be met by the Area Partnership from other funds.

After consideration, the Partnership

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

(b) agreed

(i) the 2022/23 programme, including location for festive lighting installations and a switch on event at Byres Road only, as detailed in the report subject to the addition of the installation of street lighting column features on Byres Road; and

(ii) funding of £275 from the Area Partnership budget.

(c) requested the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods and Regeneration to investigate in using sustainable tress and more natural tree lighting in future years and suggest for decisions to be made earlier in the year to allow the Parentship more time for decision making; and

(d) where necessary, authorised the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities to make any decisions that were required in line with paragraph (4) above prior to finalisation of the programme on 30 June 2022.