Festive Lighting programme 2022/23 – Proposals approved - Request to Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities.

6 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the 2022/23 Festive Lighting programme, advising

(1) that each Area Partnership had been awarded £3,600 of 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 of central funding, the balance of the funding would require to be met by the Area Partnership from other funds.

Thereafter, the Partnership heard a further option for consideration regarding the installation of festive lighting along the Maryhill Road corridor, advising

(a) that the cost of installing festive lighting along the Maryhill Road corridor would be £8,500, and could be met via the Area Partnership budget; and

(b) of options to engage with local businesses along the Maryhill Road corridor to possibly assist with the costs.

After discussion, the Partnership

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

(ii) agreed the 2022/23 programme including locations for festive lighting installations and where switch on events were proposed to be held, as detailed in the report; and

(iii) requested the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities to report back to this Partnership;

(A) with further details of the option to install festive lighting along the Maryhill Road corridor, following discussions with local businesses with regards to potentially assisting with the costs of £8,500; and

(B) to send images of the lighting options that could be installed to all members of the Partnership.