**Festive Lighting programme 2022/23 – Proposals deal with – Authority and request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

**7** 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 15th July 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.

After consideration, the Partnership

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

(b) approved

() £3,600 of funding from the 2022/23 festive lighting programme for a Christmas tree to be located at Anderston;

() £1,800 of funding from the 2022/23 festive lighting programme for a Christmas tree to be located at Dundasvale and requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability enter into discussion with Queens Cross Housing Association for them to fund the remaining £1,800 of costs for the tree;

(c) agreed

(i) not to allocate £4,500 of funding from the 2022/23 festive lighting programme for 15 column features at Townhead; and

(ii) agreed to continue consideration of the allocation of £3,600 of funding from the 2022/23 festive lighting programme for a Christmas tree at Townhead to seek clarification in relation to the permanent tree to be located at Townhead; and

(d) authorised the Chair, in conjunction with the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration Services and Sustainability to make any decisions that were required prior to finalisation of the programme by 15th July 2022.