

## **Transforming Pollok Country Park (Ward 2) – Proposals and funding approved.**

**5** With reference to the minutes of the Executive Committee of 16th February 2017 (Print 7, page 492) approving funding of up to £27.3m for the Burrell Collection refurbishment and redisplay, Councillor McDonald, Depute Leader of the Council and City Convener for Culture, Vibrancy and International Co-operation, presented a report regarding proposals for transforming Pollok Country Park (Ward 2), advising

- (1) that Pollok Park was the largest park in Glasgow and had been voted best park in Europe in 2008 and the park included 2 of Scotland's most important museums, the Burrell Collection and Pollok House, and Nether Pollok playing fields;
- (2) that a study undertaken in 2014 had proposed a new main entry point for the park at the Nether Pollok Playing fields and this concept had been developed into an outline scheme that improved access and assisted in reducing the area of the park adversely affected by vehicular access and the proposed access and orientation improvements, as detailed in the report, had been developed as part of the Transforming Pollok Country Park project, which aimed to transform the park into a world class civic destination;
- (3) of the access and orientation proposals for Pollok Country Park and the key interventions proposed;
- (4) that the estimated cost associated with the delivery of the works was £5.42m, as detailed in the report, which included a contingency fund of £200,000 and it was proposed that the Council's estimated capital contribution of £3m would be sourced through prudential borrowing and would be repaid using income from the tariff on parking;
- (5) of a proposed parking charge of £2.50 for 4 hours and £4.50 for all day, with these tariffs applying from 10am to 5pm daily, matching the opening hours of Pollok House and the Burrell Collection, as well as managing peak demand and outwith these times, charges would not apply, which would allow frequent users travelling by car to park for free in the mornings and evenings when the use of the park was reduced; and
- (6) that financial modelling had demonstrated that there was sufficient revenue from car parking tariffs to meet the associated costs of the development however, it was proposed that as part of the Green Travel Plan a review of parking charges, parking numbers and the timetabling and ticketing of the shuttle bus be carried out after 2 years and annually thereafter.

After consideration, the committee approved

- (a) the creation of an integrated active travel and low carbon transport hub at Pollok Country Park;
- (b) the proposed interventions to control vehicular access and parking;

- (c) funding of up to £3m to deliver the works; and
- (d) the proposed approach to car parking tariffs.