

Festive Lighting programme 2025/26 update noted – Funding approved.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Festive Lighting programme 2025/26, advising

- (1) that each Area Partnership had been awarded £3,600 of central funding to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting;
- (2) of the 2024/25 festive displays and switch-on events and for the Partnership to consider whether these should still be included in the 2025/26 programme;
- (3) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-28 festive lighting programme, following a new procurement exercise carried out to deliver the programme; and
- (4) that any approved funding in excess of the central funding would require to be met from the East Centre Area Partnership budget.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
 - (i) the lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2025/26 programme;
 - (ii) that any new festive requests would be subject to NRS Street Lighting approval;
 - (iii) that the request received for festive lighting in the Cranhill area was not achievable due to street lighting infrastructure and NRS Festive Team would liaise with NRS Street Lighting in 2026 to discuss options in the area; and
 - (iv) that Gartcraig Road junction with Ruchazie Road would be inspected for 8 column mounted features;
- (b) agreed additional funding of £19,250 over and above the central funding for the 2025/26 Festive Lighting programme, as detailed in the report;
- (c) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
 - (i) explore options for festive lighting in the future within the Cranhill area of Ward 18;
 - (ii) examine the electrical source supplied to the Cranhill Community Centre - Beacon as an option for festive lighting in the future; and

- (iii) the dates of all 2026/27 Area Partnership meetings be submitted to NRS at the beginning of the cycle to allow the Festive Lighting report and options to be presented at earlier meetings of the Partnership in the future.