

Festive Lighting 2026/27 update noted etc – Request to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability - Delegated Authorities to the Chair.

6 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, regarding Festive Lighting within the ward, advising of the central funding of £3,600 available to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting and the proposed costs and locations advising

- (1) of the 2026/27 festive displays and switch-on events and requested that the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2026/27 programme, as detailed in the report;
- (2) NRS Festive Team had been informed the current Horticultural Contract, which included the supply of Christmas Trees, had come to an end. Glasgow City Councils Procurement would establish a new framework to invite suppliers to tender, and as such this may now impact the cost of Christmas Trees by 15% to 20%;
- (3) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-2028 festive lighting programme following the procurement exercise carried out to deliver the programme; and
- (4) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be met by Maryhill Area Partnership from the area budget.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

- (a) the lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2026/27 programme;
- (b) approved additional funding of £2,260 in principle pending further information at the next meeting;
- (c) agreed
 - (i) delegated authority to the Chair should further funding decisions be required for Festive Lighting; and
 - (ii) a provisional switch on event was agreed for the first week of December 2026.
- (d) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability provide an update on whether it would be possible to secure external funding from local businesses to support festive lighting within the ward.