



**Item 6**

**16th June 2022**

## **Drumchapel Area Partnership**

### **Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability**

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#### **FESTIVE LIGHTING PROGRAMME 2022/23**

##### **Purpose of Report:**

The purpose of this report is:

- (1) to advise members of the central funding available and the pricing guidelines for the 2022/23 festive lighting programme;
- (2) remind members of the 21/22 festive lighting locations; and
- (3) to seek agreement on locations and, where necessary, additional funding for the 2022/23 programme.

##### **Recommendations:**

The Area Partnership is asked to

- (1) note the 2021/22 festive lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2022/23 programme;
- (2) agree the 2022/23 programme including locations for festive lighting installations and where switch on events are proposed to be held;
- (3) approve the necessary funding for any additional costs over and above the central funding; and
- (4) delegate authority to the Chair to make any decisions that are required prior to finalisation of the programme on 30 June 2022.

## Introduction

1. The Council took the decision to delegate funding for peripheral festive lighting to the Area Partnerships as part of the budget process for 20/21. A similar arrangement is proposed for the 2022/23 programme.
2. Each Area Partnership is awarded £3,600 central funding to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting, usually at a single location.
3. Area Partnerships have the option to fund additional festive lighting locations.

## 21/22 Festive Lighting Programme

4. The festive lighting locations for the Ward delivered as part of the 21/22 programme are shown below.

Location	Type of Feature
Anniesland Cross	Xmas Tree (Off Road)
Hecla Park	Natural Trees (6 No)
Kirkhope Roundabout	Xmas Tree (On Road)

## 22/23 Festive Lighting Programme

5. The standard pricing schedule for the 22/23 festive lighting programme is set out below:

Option	Price
15-18ft Xmas Tree (Off Road)	£3,600 / tree
15-18ft Xmas Tree (On Road)	£5,000 / tree
18-21ft Xmas Tree	£300 surcharge
Lights in Natural Tree	£3,600 / tree
Street Lighting Column Features	£3,600 for 8 No (£450 / column)
Switch-on Event (Off Road)	£100 / event
Switch-on Event (On Road)	£800 / event

6. The cost to repeat the 21/22 programme in 22/23 would be as follows:

Location	Feature	Price
Anniesland Cross	Xmas Tree (Off Road)	£3,600
Hecla Park	Natural Trees (6 No)	£9,100

Kirkhope Roundabout	Xmas Tree (On Road)	£3,600
	Sub-Total	£16,300
	Deduct Central Funding	£3,600
	<b>Total Additional Funding</b>	<b>£12,700</b>

7. Community representatives and the Area Partnership identified a central tree within Hecla Park last year as an alternative festive lighting location. The budget cost to dress this tree including a one-off cost of £4,000 to install a power supply is £9,750. If this option was selected by the Area Partnership, we would suggest a site visit to discuss the dressing of the tree with community representatives.
8. The Area Partnership is able to nominate other festive lighting locations to those delivered as part of the 21/22 programme. Where a new location is proposed, the feasibility and cost of the new location will be assessed by the NRS festive lighting team and reported to the Area Partnership Chair for a decision prior to 30 June 2022.
9. The Area Partnership is invited to identify the locations where a switch on event is proposed to be held. Column mounted features will come on at the same time as the street lights on the day of installation.
10. If the total cost of the delivering the festive lighting programme selected by the Area Partnership exceeds the £3,600 central funding, then the balance of the funding will require to be met by the Area Partnership from other funds.

### **Recommendations.**

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  - (3) approve the necessary funding for any additional costs over and above the central funding; and
  - (4) delegate authority to the Chair to make any decisions that are required prior to finalisation of the programme on 30 June 2022.