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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership
Newlands/Auldburn Area Partnership

Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration & Sustainability

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Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund – progress update

Purpose of Report:

To provide the Area Partnership with a progress update in relation to the process to support the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund including a summary of commitments to date.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to note the contents of the report and provide details of approvals.

1. Introduction and progress to date

1.1 The Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund provides an opportunity to implement participatory budgeting at scale with an approved budget in 2021/22 of £23m, allocated £1m per ward. The budget assigned the decision making in relation to this fund to Area Partnerships. This report provides an update regarding the Area Partnership's position in relation to this.

1.2 In parallel, the Centre of Civic Innovation within NRS continues to develop a citizen engagement model to support the NIIF decision-making process as well as assist with future initiatives involving citizen engagement. An update in relation to this work is provided below.

1.3 It is worth noting that this funding is capital expenditure and therefore can be carried forward to be spent in future financial years.

2. Progress Update of Fund

2.1 Commitments to date across the Infrastructure categories total **£0** as follows:-

- Road Resurfacing and Patching - **None**
- Footway Improvement - **None**
- Street Lighting Investment-**None**
- Drainage Repairs including gully cleaning- **None**
- Traffic Signals - **None**
- Street Furniture - **None**
- Other **– Parks – in relation to the request to fund upgrade of Hillpark Dr, the Parks Dev Team would recommend a NIIF investment of £63 to supplement existing commitments from Scot Gov Play Renewal and POSIF.**

2.2 The team are progressing the request that the NIIF could potentially fund the upgrading of the play areas at Mansewood Park and updates will be provided at future Area Partnerships, as appropriate.

3. Centre of Civic Innovation – Community Engagement Process – update

3.1 Following on from the Community engagement pilots in Pollok and Calton, where a range of ideas were submitted, voted on and are now being progressed across a range of categories, the Council's Centre for Civic Innovation are working with Community Empowerment Services to rollout this approach within Govan ward. Work has commenced and plans are in place to include community sessions, assessments, voting and development of options over the next few months.

4. Recommendations

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