Operational Performance and Delivery Scrutiny Committee Questions from Elected Members at meeting held on 10th January 2024		
Item No	**Question**	**Response by**
Item 2 – Strategic Plan Performance – Grand Challenge 4, Missions 1, 2 & 3	Councillor Wardrop – Can further detail be provided on the amber status relating to the Statue Restoration, Storage and Interpretation Plan for George Square.	
Answer	Amber status referred to the need to secure additional funding for the estimated restoration costs. Statues will be removed prior to the main contract, restored off site, and returned to the Square alongside an interpretation plan. Discussions are ongoing with Historic Environment Scotland on potential funding support and opportunity to build in an apprenticeship programme. The Heritage team in GCC Planning are developing the interpretation text both for use on hoarding around the site during the construction works. A QR code will provide a link to more detail online. For the post-construction period it is likely that interpretative plaques will be used, again providing a small amount of information and a QR code. Accessibility options will be considered as part of this strategy. The George Square Political Oversight Group will be fully updated on this at the next meeting in February 2024.	NRS
Item 2 – Strategic Plan Performance – Grand Challenge 4, Missions 1, 2 & 3	Councillor Burke – FirstBus Glasgow's single fares seem to be higher than other cities, e.g. Edinburgh. Is there any update on the review of fares by FirstBus or can we get further information on this?	
	First Bus is a private business and as such they determine their fares as they see appropriate. As an employer we have taken action to offer our workforce access to the Commuter Travel Club to give employees access to reduced fares. Separate to the Commuter Club First Bus also offer a Tap "on and off" facility which both calculates an accurate fare and records journeys, the more this facility is used it generates discounts for the user, this is widely advertised on the buses.	HR

	They also have return fares and all day tickets which also reduce the cost of travel. Full details of First Bus fares including the Commuter Travel Club and "tap on tap off" are available on their website at https://www.firstbus.co.uk/greater-glasgow/tickets/tickets	NRS
Item 3 – Flooding – Council Response, Gully Maintenance and Draining Capacity	Councillor Mooney - With regards to the Gulley Maintenance Programme, can a breakdown per Council Ward be provided detailing which Wards that have been completed this year and those outstanding.	
Answer	This information is available for each of the 56 Neighbourhoods in the City in the Gully Cleaning web page, which can be accessed using the link below: https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=29470	NRS