Item 1

16th April 2024

GARSCADDEN/SCOTSTOUNHILL AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 6th February 2024, City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Malcolm Mitchell (Chair), Councillor Bill Butler, Councillor Chris Cunningham and Councillor Eva Murray, Glasgow City Council; Station Commander Kenneth McCartney, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Inspector Derek Gibson, Police Scotland; Lainy Bedingfield, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Beth Reid, Kingsway Community Connections; Scott Donaldson, Scotstoun Community Council; Sandy Busby, Yoker Community Council and Robert Smith, Linkes

Apology: Sandra Barber, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Attending: J Crawford (Clerk); P Boyce (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and M Johnston-Gray, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector.

Minutes of previous meeting approved –

1 The minutes of 14th November 2023 were submitted and approved subject to noting that at Item 1 (2)(a), regarding cleansing and recycling, P Boyce would provide an update at the next meeting.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership update noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding membership of this Partnership, advising that P Boyce and L Bedingfield would discuss the nominations for representation of young people as co-opted members.

Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network update noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by Lainy Bedingfield, North West Glasgow Voluntary Network and Beth Reid, Kingsway Community Council, providing an update on its work, advising that

(1) Tam Munro, the network's former chair, had passed away in January 2024, after a long illness; and

(2) Joseph Rowantree report showed that 27% of children are currently living in poverty https://www.jrf.org.uk/work/poverty-in-scotland-2023; and

(3) that there had been an increase in the use of foodbanks and North West Community Pantry; and

(4) Kiltwalk Glasgow 2024 https://thekiltwalk.co.uk/events/glasgow;

(5) that Kingsway Community Council were currently undertaking a community mapping exercise of Ward 13 and would create a resources map that would identify opportunities and activities within the area with the assistance of all organisations and community groups to build an accurate picture and a survey has been sent round relevant organisations that should be returned by 23rd February (https://forms.office.com/e/yYvz4wbavT?origin=lprLink), Joe McShannon could be contacted for further details (joe@kingswaycc.org.uk) and the survey could also take place by telephone if required; and

(6) an update on the £18,000 pledged to Kingsway and surrounding areas as part of the Parks and Open Spaces Fund would be discussed at the next Partnership meeting.

Police Scotland - ward update noted.

4 There was heard and noted a report by Inspector Derek Gibson, Police Scotland, advising that

(1) there were 8 properties in the Glasgow area earmarked for possible closure as these locations no longer met the requirements of local communities and the Estate Consultation Strategy could be accessed online at https://consult.scotland.police.uk/estates/e961dc46/;

(2) the Your Police Survey for 2023/24 would run until 31st March 2024 for the public to share their views and experiences on how Police Scotland could improve how they delivered services in local communities;

(3) https://consult.scotland.police.uk/strategy-insight-and-innovation/your-police-2023-2024/;

(4) the number of incidents had decreased slightly in comparison to the same period last year;

(5) nuisance and disturbance incidents were on par with last year's figures;

(6) there had been a significant demand relating to the illegal use of dirt bikes in their involvement in antisocial behaviour and intelligence had led Police Scotland to identify a number of people involved and action had been implemented to target those who are using these bikes;

(7) over the Christmas and New Year period there was a significant increase in vehicle thefts due to people leaving their cars idling in their driveway to defrost and Police Scotland were canvassing areas with crime prevention information to residents;

(8) the number of reports of drivers failing to adhere to the designated School Car Free Zones had decreased and it was hoped that the education and

enforcement provided by officers had been successful in ensuring this problem would not reintroduce; and

(9) Shut out Scammers Campaign would launch around mid March https://www.scotland.police.uk/what-s-happening/news/2023/april/launch-of-shut-out-scammers-campaign-2023/#:~:text=The%20campaign%20aims%20to%20raise,to%20which%20consumers%20are%20susceptible

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Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update

5 There was submitted a report by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 3, from 1st October to 31st December 2023, advising

(1) that the Service had attended 1,261 incidents in the North West area of which 121 were in the ward, 41 fires, 32 Special Services, with 0 fatalities although 2 casualties as a result of a road traffic collision; and

(2) of the work carried out by the community safety team who provided a fireworks presentation to primary and secondary schools regarding information on the dangers of fireworks; and

(3) that the Service had attended 48 false alarms in the Garscadden and Scotstounhill ward; and

(4) of the work to promote the Make the Call Campaign to make a 10-minute call to book a free home fire safety visit to help save a life and was aimed at anyone over the age of 50 who smoked, had mobility issues, or lived alone; and

(4) of the delivery of hamper bags to vulnerable members of the community that included blankets, hats and gloves.

Area Budget 2023/24 – Applications for funding dealt with etc.

6 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 23rd March 2023 (Print 1, page 41), when the committee approved the 2023/24 Area Budget allocations, there was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the Area Budget for 2023/2024, providing a final monitoring statement in relation to projects previously funded, confirming that £86,575 had been allocated to various projects in the Garscadden/Scotstounhill Ward, leaving a balance of £480 which had been returned from Knightswood Old Men's Bowling Club.

Area Budget 2024/25 – Applications for funding dealt with etc.

7 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, advising

(1) that the Area Budget had still to be agreed by the City Administration Committee and any revisions to Area Budget allocations for 2024/25 would be detailed in a future report; and

(2) that Area Partnerships had the option to approve a portion of funds from its 2024/25 Area Budget at the January/February 2024 cycle of meetings for any projects/services that would take place early in the 2024/25 financial year; and

(3) that any funding recommended would be subject to confirmation of available finances;

(4) that any applications considered at the January/February 2024 cycle of meetings should be time critical; and

(5) of changes to the Playscheme Travel Pass Scheme as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) that the Area Budget allocations for 2024/25 were subject to availability of funds following approval of Glasgow City Council's 2024/25 budget, with any revisions to current levels of budget being subject to a future report; and

(ii) the interim arrangements which enabled the allocation of a portion of the funding from the 2024/25 Area Budget in the January/February cycle for time critical applications; and

(iii) that time critical awards of up to £500 could be allocated from the 2024/25 budget under the existing delegated authority arrangements; and

(iv) that SPT had taken the decision it would no longer produce travel passes for Playschemes and out of school care clubs due to the view that in many instances, Playscheme travel passes would duplicate the reimbursement model that travel operators now had with the Young Persons' (Under 22) Free Bus Travel scheme; and

(b) dealt with the application for funding as follows, the grant awards being subject to the conditions detailed in the report:-

Applicant	*Purpose of application*	*Decision*
DRC Generations – Neuro Diversity Family	Towards the cost of running a bi-weekly	Awarded £2,100

and Carer Peer Support Group*	neuro diverse support group

*Sandy Busby declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.