Item 1

6th February 2024

LANGSIDE AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 14th November 2023, Bell Suite, Hampden Stadium Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Paul Leinster (Chair), Councillor Susan Aitken and Councillor Holly Bruce Glasgow City Council; Inspector Mark McLaughlan, Police Scotland; Debbie Fleming, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Graham Stark, Langside, Battlefield and Camphill Community Council; Judith Pollok, Mount Florida Community Council; Marion McMillan, Cathcart and District Housing Association; Eveline McNair, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; and Kevin Watson Toryglen Community Council.

Apologies: Councillor Stephen Docherty and Patrick Smith Mount Florida Community Council.

Attending: Z Chaudhry (Clerk); K Gorman (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and Kevin McCormick and K Venables (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 5th September 2023 were submitted and approved.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund update noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainbability.

2 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding the Langside Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund (NIF), advising

(1) of an update on the progress of the NIF that had been carried out and of the commitments to date, as detailed in the report;

(2) that Area Partnerships would still be expected to allocate the full £1m initially awarded and that this funding is capital expenditure therefore could be carried forward to be spent in future financial years;

(3) of an update and timelines on the pilot areas Calton and Greater Pollok;

(4) a total of £6 million had been redirected from the overall £23 million Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund, to be topped up in future budget years, for road repairs;

(5) of the Centre of Civic Innovation community engagement process; and

(6) approved a total of £26,500 from NIIF budget for the provision of CCTV units within the Toryglen area as listed within the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

(i) circulate the Queens Park Lighting quote to members and consider making a recommendation to Southside Central and Pollokshields Area partnerships that the cost be split evenly over the 3 wards; and

(ii) feed into the current Centre of Civic Innovation evaluation of the initial pilot, requesting that the Langside ward be prioritised for any future rollout of the community engagement and consultation on the NIF budget.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership update noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding membership of this Partnership, advising that

(1) Graham Stark had become the representative for Langside Community Council and Iain Ross Wallace the substitute representative;

(2) Station Commander Andrew Crawford had replaced Station Commander George Winters as the substitute representative for Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; and

(3) Patricia Cahill had become a co-opted member for Sanctuary Housing Association Limited and Theresa Toner the substitute member.

Community Planning Partnership – Governance Framework - Register of Interests noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration advising the Partnership of the requirements in relation to the Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework regarding the registration and declaration of members' interests and detailing those interests which had been declared by members of the Partnership, as detailed in the report.

Winter Maintenance Plan 2023-24 update noted etc.

5 There was submitted a report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, regarding the 2023-24 Winter Maintenance Plan, advising

(1) that the Winter Maintenance Plan submitted to the Council's Environment and Liveable Neighbourhoods City Policy Committee could be accessed at https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/councillorsandcommittees/submissiondocuments.asp?submissionid=110582;

(2) of the work carried out by the programme during the winter of 2022-23;

(3) of the priority 1 cycle and busy commuter routes; and

(4) that to promote "self-help" gritting, numerous grit bins would be located throughout the city to allow members of the public to grit areas outwith priority routes and grit bin locations could be found at http://glasgowgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/LocalPerspective/index.html?appid=e99ff0bfd5a44fd6a1c68de66e123299;

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) highlighted concerns regarding the lack of grit bins at Holmlea park; and

(c) that the Council's gully cleaning programme could be found at https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=29470

Police Scotland ward update noted.

6 There was heard a verbal report by Inspector Mark McLaughlan, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership that

(1) there were no significant recent crime trends in the area;

(2) there was a low disorder of fireworks in the area;

(3) during the recent Viaplay Cup football semi-final matches there had been a high number of anti-social behaviour orders and approximately 500 containers of alcohol found and; officers from Police Scotland would be out for the Viaplay Cup football final on the 17th December;

(4) a festive action plan would be in place to deal with youth disorder; and

(5) Inspector McLaughlan confirmed his retirement after 30 years of service.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) thanked Inspector McLaughlan for his 30 years of service.

Bonfire debrief noted.

7 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Bonfire debrief, advising

(1) that from 2022 a closer partnership approach had been identified, particularly in relation to the removal of unauthorised bonfires and to ensure partners worked together to establish improved delivery efficiency;

(2) that a Multi-Agency Control Centre (MACC) had been established, which allowed unauthorised bonfires to be risk assessed remotely;

(3) that MACC operated from Glasgow City Council's Eastgate Building and included representation from Glasgow City Council, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) and Police Scotland, which ensured a responsive co-ordinated approach;

(4) of the dedicated phone lines that had been setup within MACC, to record key details of the structures including location, proximity to buildings and power supplies and access to sites, which would be shared with all partners within MACC and added to a priority list for removal;

(5) that unauthorised bonfires would be prioritised based on a risk assessment by SFRS, with their removal attended jointly with Police Scotland to protect staff and maintain public order;

(6) that members of the public were encouraged to report unauthorised and potentially dangerous bonfires to Glasgow City Council by contacting the Council's Cleansing line on 0141 287 9700;

(7) that to ensure intelligence was captured in advance of bonfire night, community partners including housing associations, third sector partners, Police Scotland staff and SFRS staff would be provided with contact details of the Neighbourhood Liaison Co-ordinator who would ensure vital information was passed to operations for removal; and

(8) that unauthorised bonfires could cause significant alarm and distress to individuals and other issues including potential risk of personal injury, damage to property and increased antisocial behaviour, therefore by deploying staff to locations it would promote public reassurance and give confidence to communities.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

8 There was submitted and noted a report by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS), regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 2, from 1st July to 30th September 2023, as detailed in the report.

Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund update noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

9 With reference to the minutes of 5th September, there was submitted a report by Kevin McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, regarding Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund providing an update on projects allocated within the ward for years 2021/22 and 2022/23, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

(1) noted the report and;

(2) requested that Kevin McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, provide a preview visualisation of Ardmay Park and potential areas for play parks with equipment suitable for girls.

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

10 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 23rd March 2023 (Print 1, page 41), when the committee had approved the 2023/24 Area Budget allocations, there was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, advising

(1) of the current position in relation to the Area Partnership's budget for 2023/24;

(2) that the Langside Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2023/24 was £61,580.48 and that £50,376.72 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £11,203.76; and

(3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2023/24.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2023/24; and

(ii) the applications dealt with under delegated functions as detailed in the report; and

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

Applicant	Purpose of Application	Decision
Halo Arts – Southside Community Pantomime	Towards the cost of funding “Cinderella” to 25 primary schools	Awarded £1,578
YOMO – Young Movers	Towards the cost of funding the walk and talk service	Awarded £1,109
Mount Florida Community Trust	Towards the cost of The Mount Florida Window Wanderland 2024	Awarded £1,200
Active Schools - Shawlands	Towards the cost of funding for running extracurricular activity in schools to increase physical activity	Awarded £800
Toryglen Community Council*	Towards the cost of funding to produce 5000 A5 flyers advertising the reestablishment of Toryglen Community Council	Awarded £396

*Kevin Watson and Eveline McNair declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon. The Partnership agreed to approve this subject to discretionary fund.

Minutes of the South Sector Community Planning Partnership noted.

11 The minutes of the South Sector Community Planning Partnership of 3rd October 2023 were submitted and noted.

Future Meeting Dates 2024 noted.

12 The dates of the 2024 meetings were submitted and agreed by the Partnership as detailed below.

Tuesday 6th February 2024 at 1400 hours
Tuesday 16th April 2024 at 1400 hours
Tuesday 3rd September 2024 at 1400 hours
Tuesday 12th November 2024 at 1400 hours.