NORTH WEST SECTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 6th October 2023 by video conference.

Present: Councillor Abdul Bostani (Chair), Councillor Ken Andrew, Councillor Eva Bolander, Bailie Patricia Ferguson, Councillor Eva Murray, Councillor Lana Reid-McConnell and Councillor Franny Scally, Glasgow City Council; Chief Inspector John McCartin, Police Scotland; Group Commander Mark Meehan, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Claire Donaghey, Glasgow FE Colleges; Dougie Taylor, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; and Irene Loudon, David Nicholson, Charlotte Noble and Ellen Wright, Community Representatives.

Apologies: Councillor Allan Gow; Janet Hayes, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; and Sharon Bowers and Elizabeth Brown, Community Representatives.

Attending: C Jack (Clerk); P Boyce (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); M Johnston-Gray, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network and J Muirie, Glasgow Centre for Population Health.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of the meeting of 19th January 2023 were submitted and approved.

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 the current membership of the Partnership, advising that Jean Charlsley had been nominated as the substitute representative for Hillhead Area Partnership.

Glasgow Communities Fund 2023-26 – Capacity building support – Details noted.

3 With reference to the minutes of 19th January 2023, approving a report setting out recommendations for funding from the Glasgow Communities Fund Phase 2, there was submitted a report by the Director of Regional Economic Growth, advising that

(1) in January 2023, all applicants to the Glasgow Communities Fund (GCF) were signposted to a comprehensive package of free support that had been made available through the Council's partners in the Glasgow Makes Connections Capacity Building Programme which included advice on planning,

communications and change management, alternative funding sources, strengthening grant applications, financial management and HR advice made available through planned workshops, one-to-one sessions and through an on-line Resource Bank;

(2) the workshops designed to specifically support applicants to the GCF had been attended by 49 representatives and in the period January to August 2023, a total of 268 interactions had been made with the Glasgow Makes Connections Capacity Building Programme; and

(3) the Council was committed to continuously learning and reviewing processes from the implementation of Phase 2 of the Fund, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

(a) the report; and

(b) the following key concerns from members

(i) that there had been a lack of meaningful engagement with communities to date;

(ii) disappointment that community representatives and the Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network had not been involved at the start of the process;

(iii) that an outline of how the process would be better had not been provided; and

(iv) that a timeframe should be provided.

Review of Glasgow Community Planning Partnership noted etc.

4 With reference to the minutes of the Glasgow Community Planning Partnership (GCPP) Strategic Partnership of 5th September 2023, noting the progress of the strategic review of the work of the GCPP and service reform of the Council's Community Empowerment and Engagement Services, there was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, advising that

(1) Phase 1 of the review of the Community Empowerment and Engagement Services had resulted in the Grants and Initiatives Team being transferred into the Economic Development organisational structure, and that Community Justice and Communities would integrate into the current Corporate Policy and Governance Section;

(2) the review of workstreams had been put in place and work was underway to consider, along with partners, how all work with communities was best arranged to ensure it supported systemic change to tackle child and family poverty; and

(3) the GCPP Strategic Partnership would be provided with a further report on the proposals for a refreshed Local Outcome and Improvement Plan and reformed governance structure for the GCPP.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

(a) the report; and

(b) members' concerns regarding the current structure and that Area Partnerships should feed in key priorities to the Sector Partnerships and appropriate committees to ensure a connection between citywide and local priorities.

Glasgow's Food Plan – Presentation by Glasgow Food Partnership noted.

5 The Partnership heard and noted a presentation by Ms Jill Muirie, Glasgow Centre for Population Health regarding Glasgow's Food Plan, advising

(1) that the vision for Glasgow was to be recognised for its good food and as a city where tasty, healthy, affordable food was accessible to everyone;

(2) of the Glasgow Food Policy Partnership partners and how the Plan had been collaboratively developed over 2 years; and

(3) of the evolving plan together with the long term outcomes of the plan.

After consideration, the Partnership thanked Ms Muirie for her presentation.

Minutes of Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Strategic Partnership noted.

6 The minutes of the Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Strategic Partnership of 5th September 2023 were submitted and noted.

2024 meeting dates noted.

7 The Partnership noted the 2024 meeting dates

Friday, 15th March at 1000 hours
Friday, 4th October at 1000 hours