Item 1

6th November 2024

PARTICK EAST/KELVINDALE AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 28th August 2024, Clarice Pears, Glasgow University.

Present: Councillor Blair Anderson (Chair) and Councillor Jill Brown, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Iain Sibbald, Police Scotland; Irene Stewart, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Jane Cowie, Third Sector Interface Network; David Nicholson, Claythorn Community Council; Lionel Most, Dowanhill, Hyndland and Kelvinside Community Council; Ken Windsor, Kelvindale Community Council; Maggie Paterson, Partick Community Council; Anthony Coia, Partick Housing Association; and Ross MacPhail, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Councillor Lilith Johnstone and Councillor Kenny McLean, Glasgow City Council; and Station Commander Ben Adams, Scottish Fire Rescue Service.

Attending: P Yule (Clerk); P Boyce (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance), Kevin McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; Lesley Crawford, Glasgow Life; and Martina Johnston-Gray, Third Sector Interface Network.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 24th April 2024 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 membership of this Partnership, advising that

(1) Inspector Iain Sibbald had been nominated as the new representative for Police Scotland replacing Inspector Mhairi Crawford;

(2) Ross MacPhail had been nominated as the new co-opted member for Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability;

(3) Station Commander Ben Adams had been nominated as the new representative for Scottish Fire Rescue Service replacing Station Commander Kenny McCartney; and

(4) Ken Windsor had been nominated as the new representative for Kelvindale Community Council and Anne Gasteen had been nominated as the new substitute representative.

Govan-Partick Bridge progress update noted.

3 There was heard a report by P Boyce, Communites Team, regarding progress of the Govan-Partck bridge, advising

(1) of the opening of the new Govan-Partick Bridge to be marked with a musical extravaganza of a free one-off festival on Saturday 7th September 2024 from 10am to 8pm; and

(2) that the festival would take place across the whole of Govan Cross, as well as at the footbridge Plaza next to the Govan entrance of the footbridge.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) highlighted that the festival was more focused on the Govan side of the bridge and not on the Partick side;

(c) agreed that

(i) the partnership would look into creating their own event on the Partick side of the bridge to celebrate the opening; and

(ii) Patrica Boyce, Communities Team would orginise a meeting with local groups from the north of the river to discuss the possiblty of creating such an event.

Glasgow Life - Twilight at the Museum - Presentation noted.

4 The Partnership heard a presentation by L Crawford, Glasgow Life regarding Glasgow Life's new Youth and Community Team, advising

(1) of the upcoming Twilight at the Museum event to be held on Thursday 7th November 2024 between 6.00pm and 9.00pm;

(2) that during the summer holidays the newly formed twilight youth committee had received training in event management, safeguarding, health and safety;

(3) that the North West youth team were keen that young people from as many North West communities had a voice in the planning, designing and delivery of the event;

(4) of the engagement with schools with around 300 pupils having been involved and submitting great ideas and in particluar the feedback received from Hillhead High School; and

(5) that the team had also liased with youth groups and voluntary organisations to promote this fantastic opportunity and provide them with additional information.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the presentation; and

(b) raised questions that were addressed by Lesley Crawford.

World of Film Festival presentation noted.

5 The Partnership heard a presentation by Heather Hamilton, Communities Team regarding the World of Film Festival (WFF), advising of

(1) the links between WFF to SWG3 to collaborate on future young person's event's;

(2) the links made with Farrans & Glasgow Barons for the future opening of the Govan/Partick Bridge;

(3) involvements with Glasgow Virtual school for potential educational workshops;

(4) potential future involvement with the International Men's Day event at Kelvin Hall, and links with the National Library for Scotland for use of theatre space;

(5) involvement with the Twilight event with the possibility of a taster session and use of 'My Space' area for showcasing short films; and

(6) involvements with Glasgow Arts Development Officers, to support marketing and making stronger links with the wider community.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund - Community engagement – Update noted.

6 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding an update in relation to the process for engaging communities in relation to the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund (NIF), advising that

(1) the next agreed ward for community engagement was Drumchapel/ Anniesland to start in Autumn 2024 and the kind of 'people' resource that was needed, had been identified at this stage to be predominantly co-ordination, survey creation, people who could do community engagement with people in the area, and data analysis; and

(2) the Communities Team would still carry out much of the 'feet on the ground' engagement, with additional support from Glasgow Life and colleagues

across different services from Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

(a) the report; and

(b) Maggie Paterson, Partick Community Council's suggestion that all members of the partnership should collate data analysis based on their knowledge of the Ward to assist with the community engagement process.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund update noted - Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

7 With reference to the minutes of 24th April 2024, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding the Partick East/Kelvindale Infrastructure Fund, advising of the progress in relation to the process to support the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund including a summary of commitments to date, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

(1) noted the report; and

(2) highlighted that at the previous meeting

(a) the partnership had approved the installation of handrails from Lauderdale Gardens leading to Hughenden Lane costing £3,150 and enquired as to why this was not included in Appendix 1; and

(b) it had been agreed that all projects that had previously been requested by Claythorn Community Council be re-submitted along with any new projects for costings, however, this was also not included in the papers;

(3) raised concerns on numerous occasions for projects to be costed and actioned and but nothing seems to be getting progressed;

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

(a) update Appendix 1 of the report to include a list of all works that had been agreed and completed and the total costs that had been spent in the ward along with potential projects that were yet to be considered;

(b) provide costings for footway improvement lighting on the footpath at Beith Street for consideration; and

(c) provide costings for Repairs to the Hyndland Railings set out on the mp forming part of Appedix 1 to the Minutes of 24 April 2024.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

8 There was heard a report by Inspector Iain Sibbald, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership

(1) of the body worn cameras to be phased in for use by officers, with the evidence to be used to support evidence by victims, witnesses etc in court cases;

(2) that statistics for reports of incidents had decreased, however the number of crimes recorded had increased due to an increase in shoplifting and electronic bike thefts;

(3) that there had been no increased reports of racial violence or threats in the ward following the recent riots across England and Northern Ireland;

(4) that reports of all suspicious activity should be reported to Police Scotland by calling 101 or via Crimestoppers at 0800 555111;

(5) of road safety issues within the Car Free School Zone areas that continued to be monitored; and

(6) that the new cycle lanes on Byres road were now in force and that Police Scotland were offering free bike locks to cyclists to reduce bike theft.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report and thanked Inspector Sibbald for the update; and

(b) highlighted concerns and issues that were addressed by Inspector Sibbald.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service – Consideration continued.

9 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of a ward update by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to a future meeting.

North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network – Update noted.

10 There was heard a report by Jane Cowie, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network (NWGVSN) providing an update on their work, advising

(1) of the continued concerns with regards to the cost of living crisis, the increased demand on services and that some members would be considering fund raising and crowd funding to keep facilities open or to offer additional services;

(2) that Partick Housing Association (PHA) had issues with tenants self-disconnecting their energy due to standing charges and that their money adviser was supporting 20-25 people per week, and that PHA had introduced an emergency food and fuel support fund to assist;

(3) that the Annexe Cost of Living Support group had been working with Glasgow University students in their Seeds of Change programme looking at a system and potential change of policy to reduce waste of their sandwiches and lunch foods and as a result had adopted the idea of using “Save Our Sandwiches” stickers on their food products; and

(4) that the Annexe had a final push for local signatures to assist with the transfer of the Annexe building ownership for the community; and

(5) that the Beith Grove Garden had been cleared and was ready for the next stages of planning to include residents’ consultation and a steering group, all due to funding from the area partnership.

Festive Lighting 2024/25 update noted – Delegated authority approved.

11 With reference to the minutes of 24th April 2024, there was submitted and noted a report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding Festive Lighting within the Ward, advising of the central funding of £3,600 available to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting and the proposed costs and locations advising

(1) of the 2023/24 festive displays and switch-on events and asking the Partnership to confirm whether it should be included in the 2024/25 programme;

(2) that the Partnership should notify NRS of any proposed new locations for assessment by NRS to determine the feasibility;

(3) that members should approve the necessary funding for any additional costs over and above the central funding, which could be approved by delegated authority to the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance in consultation with the Chair during October 2024, following receipt of the updated pricing table; and

(4) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be deducted from the Partick East/Kelvindale Area Partnership 2024/25 Area Budget allocation.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability consider a real tree for Mansfield Park rather than a previous tree from last year due to the tree being disappointing;

(c) agreed funding towards lighting installation of 5 trees at Church Street/Byres Road triangle, with costs to be shared with Hillhead Area Partnership, pending costs; and

(d) delegated authority to the Director of Communication and Corporate Governance in consultation with the Chair, Councillor Anderson to approve additional lighting within the ward, to be deducted from the Area Budget fund after final updated prices had been confirmed during October 2024.

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

12 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 21st March 2024, when the committee approved the 2024/25 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 2024/25;

(2) that the Partick East/Kelvindale Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2024/25 was £60,284.20 and that £35,996.50 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £24,287.70; and

(3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2024/25.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2024/25; 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 awards being subject to the conditions detailed in the report:

Applicant	*Purpose of application*	*Decision*
Parent Network Scotland – Family Wellbeing Programme	Towards the costs of providing a Family Wellbeing Programme to who identify as being vulnerable. with a target figure of 24 Parents with an impact on 48 children	Refused and requested that the applicant request funding in the new financial year

Partick Housing Association – Autum and Winter Community Support	Towards the costs of emergency food stock and Autum/ Winter fuel support	Awarded £3,000
Partick Growing Project – Hello to Govan, Welcome to Partick Festival	Towards the costs of hosting an event in celebration of the opening of the brand-new Govan/Partick Bridge	Awarded £3,363
The Language Hub – Onwards and Upwards Improving, Life and Work Skills	Towards the costs of a 12-week 16+ employability program for 20 individuals combining ESOL support with employability skills from September 2024 to March 2025	Refused as not considered good value for money