Item 1

26th November 2024

GLASGOW COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP - STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 11th June 2024.

Present: Councillor Anne McTaggart (Chair); Councillor Richard Bell and Bailie Seonad Hoy, Glasgow City Council; Superintendent David Reid, Police Scotland; Area Commander David Murdoch, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Dougie Taylor, Third Sector Interface Network; Laura Pluck, Wheatley Housing Group; Martin Boyle, Glasgow Colleges' Regional Board; Stephen Frew, Scottish Enterprise; Gary Dover, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Serena Robertson, Skills Development Scotland; and John Binning, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport.

Apologies: Councillor Jill Pidgeon, Glasgow City Council; Stuart Patrick, Glasgow Chamber of Commerce; and Garry Williamson, Scottish Enterprise.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); S Millar, Chief Executive, Glasgow City Council; C Edgar, Director of Communication and Corporate Governance; T Jackson, M McGinty and J Sherry, Glasgow City Council; and M Burns, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 13th February 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

(1) that Bailie Seonad Hoy had replaced Bailie Anthony Carroll;

(2) that Lynne Mitchell had replaced Jennifer Anderson as the substitute representative for Wheatley Housing Group;

(3) that Serena Robertson had replaced Sharon Kelly as the representative for Skills Development Scotland; and

(4) of the current membership of the Strategic Partnership, as detailed in the report.

Glasgow Community Plan - Developing Delivery Plan and Performance Management Framework – Proposals approved etc.

3 There was submitted a report by the Programme Director, Whole Family Wellbeing & Child Poverty, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP) providing an update on activity to align the city's policies to tackle child poverty, advising

(1) of the work carried out to date to gain a better understanding of the scale of poverty in this city and the economic and social challenges faced by families living in poverty;

(2) that efforts to tackle the impact of poverty had been fragmented and unco-ordinated and that improved alignment of both policy and resources, and the redesign and reform of services alongside partners provided an opportunity to address this and represented a necessity for robust mitigation and direct action to help children, young people and their families;

(3) that aligning policy intentions to the shared priority to eradicate poverty brought the best opportunity to optimise the impact of current provision and invest in capacity to reform and co-ordinate the city's resources and had manifested in the publication of Glasgow's new Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2024-34;

(4) of the aims of the £19.4m Whole Family Wellbeing Fund (WFWF), an allocation of which the Council had accepted from the Scottish Government in March 2023 to transform the way that family support was delivered, and that the programme prioritised early intervention and prevention, and demanded a collaborative, multi-agency and multi-disciplinary approach to funding;

(5) of the foundation themes of the WFWF plan in Glasgow that had been developed following extensive consultation and co-design with public and third sector stakeholders;

(6) of the work that had been undertaken to bring together appropriate funding allocations which had created the Whole Family Early Intervention Fund (WFEIF), which currently totalled £22.1m and could be used across the next 3 years, subject to further dialogue with the Scottish Government;

(7) of the agreed focus of the WFWF which formed the foundations for use of the WFEIF, and that the intention was that this preventative funding addressed both the 'failure demand cost' whilst ensuring that the current spend in the city realigned and co-ordinated more effectively; and

(8) of the next steps as detailed in the report.

After consideration, and having heard a presentation from Mike Burns, GCHSCP and John Sherry, Glasgow City Council, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) progress made on policy alignment in relation to child poverty within the Glasgow Community Planning Partnership's Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2024-34;

(ii) the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund award to the local authority; and

(iii) the creation of a Whole Family Early Intervention Fund to align the use of specific financial allocations; and

(b) agreed

(i) the proposed funding governance arrangements through the Community Planning structures;

(ii) the proposed funding awards set out in Section 6;

(iii) the next steps to shape the Local Outcome Improvement Plan's Performance Management Framework and associated Action Plan;

(iv) that a multi-agency approach was the key driver in tackling child poverty; and

(v) to consider the 3 questions in relation to Lessons from Children's Leadership outlined in the presentation and respond back to the officers.

Shaping Our Future Service: Your Say - Presentation noted.

4 There was heard a presentation by David Murdoch, Area Commander, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service regarding the future model of the fire service, advising

(1) of the reasons for for the need to reform the service;

(2) of the current status of the operational changes that had commenced in September 2023 and the timeline for the 3 stages of the process which would result in a public consultation at the end of the year;

(3) of statistical information in relation to incidents that the service had responded to during 2022/23 that had prompted the need for the service to make changes, which included the effects of climate change and the increase of wildfires and flooding;

(4) that the service had spent years building its knowledge of changing community risk across Scotland and that some of its stations and appliances were not in the correct places to meet risk and demand;

(5) that the success of the service was down to the staff, and of the mechanisms in place to support training and recruitment;

(6) that many of the ageing buildings were no longer fit for purpose, and required urgent action and significant investment to make them safer and more suitable for staff;

(7) of evidence associated to health risks due to exposure to a range of contaminants;

(8) of the areas that could be changed that would allow the service to use its resources differently and invest in service development;

(9) of the reasons the service wanted to develop the firefighter role and the actions that would be required to be carried out in order to achieve this;

(10) of the reasons why the service wanted to change the location of where stations and appliances were based and what could be achieved by doing this; and

(11) that wholetime firefighters were split across 5 groups and that by changing duty systems to meet risk and demand would allow for staff to be deployed to other areas such as training and prevention.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the presentation; and

(b) agreed to provide feedback to the consultation.