Item 1

30th August 2024

NEWLANDS/AULDBURN AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 12th April 2024, at City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Sean Ferguson (Chair) and Councillor Stephen Curran, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Christopher Daly, Police Scotland; Siobhan Boyle, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Sandra Fusari, Mansewood and Hillpark Community Council; David A Kerr, Pollokshaws and Eastwood Community Council; Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and Julie Brown, Mansewood Community Centre.

Apologies: Bailie Leòdhas Massie, Glasgow City Council; Station Commander Martine Barr, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Anne Strachan Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network and Jade Graham, Newlands and Auldburn Community Council.

Attending: J Crawford (Clerk); and T Monaghan (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 2nd February 2024 were submitted and approved, subject to noting that Cathcart and District Community Council had raised issues regarding the football pitch at Merrylee Primary School and the nearby play park at the junction of Friarton Road, Muirskeith Road and Monreith Road.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding membership of this Partnership, indicating that both positions remained vacant for Pollokshaws Area Network.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

3 There was heard a report by Sergeant Chris Daly, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership that

(1) the new Divisional Commander, Chief Supt Lynn Ratcliff, was now in post;

(2) Police Scotland had publicly announced plans to close several of its properties across Scotland and although 8 properties were in the Greater Glasgow Area, none of them were in the Newlands/Auldburn area.

(3) the new Hate Crime legislation, https://www.scotland.police.uk/hate was implemented on the 1st April 2024, with all Police officers having been trained on how to deal with any complaints;

(4) the funding allocation for 2024-25 allowed Police Scotland to restart police officer recruitment and as a result, at the end of March 2024 around 200 new recruits had been welcomed into Police Scotland and would be allocated to divisions across the country;

(5) fortnightly housing meetings at Pollok Police office had been reintroduced, which gave an opportunity to strengthen its collaborative approach and information sharing;

(6) a divisional investigation was currently running in relation to fraud, whereby suspects were phoning victims purporting to be police officers, with a structured response having been put in place by CID to investigate any recorded incidents; and

(7) Newlands/Auldburn division had received 1314 calls with incidents that involved noise, public nuisance, domestic abuse and thefts from the 1st February to 11th April 2024.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) raised a number of concerns and questions that were addressed by Sergeant Chris Daly.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership - Ward update noted.

5 There was heard and noted a verbal report by Siobhan Boyle, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP), advising

(1) that the vision for Glasgow was to be recognised for its good food and as a city where tasty, healthy, and affordable food was accessible for 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 and the long-term outcomes.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) thanked Siobhan Boyle for her presentation; and

(b) raised questions in relation to whether this could be rolled out across the city rather than in one area as it would be beneficial for more people to have access to fruit and vegetable markets, which was addressed by Siobhan Boyle.

Area Budget 2023/24 - Applications for funding noted.

6 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 23rd March 2023, when the committee 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; and

(2) that Newlands/Auldburn Area Partnership's Area Budget allocation for 2023/24 was £66,248.48 and a total of £61,892.98 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £4,355.50, which had been allocated and dealt with under delegated functions, as detailed in the appendix to the report.

After consideration, the partnership noted

(a) the position regarding the Area Budget allocations for 2023/24; and

(b) the applications dealt with under delegated functions, as detailed in the report.

Area Budget 2023/24 - Final Budget Position - Report by Head of Policy and Corporate Governance.

7 There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the Area Budget for 2022/2023, providing a final monitoring statement in relation to projects previously funded, confirming that £66,248.48 had been allocated to various projects in the Newlands/Auldburn Ward, representing a 100% spend.

Area Budget 2024/25 – Applications for funding dealt with – Declarations of interest.

8 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administraiton 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 Newlands/Auldburn Area Partnership's Area Budget allocation for 2024/25 was £66,248,48, with funding of £1,000 having been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £65,248.48; and

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

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the position regarding the Area Budget allocations for 2024/25; 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*
Active School Holyrood Cluster	To provide extracurricular sport and physical activity with schools linking in with local clubs to provide weekend and evening activities for pupils.	Awarded £800
The Glad Foundation	Towards the costing 3 seasonal community events scheduled to take place in June, September and December 2024.	Awarded £778
Glasgow The Caring City	Towards the cost of renovating an area at the rear of Newlands South Church, to reinstate a safe vantage point for developed and used by the wider community as a dedicated common space.	Awarded £2,350
Thornlaw Nursery School	To establish a 'Positive Partnerships Programme' linking in with the families, and the community to promote greater and cohesive communities through community gardening, food growing, cooking, and sharing diverse cultures.	Awarded £6,500
St Conval's Primary Parent Council	To support the cost of a residential trip for 30 primary 7 pupils to Abernethey Trust from 16th-19th April 2024.	Awarded £1,000
St Conval's Primary Parent Council	To support the cost of a residential trip for 30 primary 7 pupils to Blairvadach from 7th-7th March 2025.	Awarded £1,000
Tinto Primary School	Towards the costs of a residential trip for P7 pupils to Blairvadach from 20th to 23rd May 2024.	Awarded £700
Newlands and Auldhouse Community Council	To support the Auldhouse Community Lunch Club for an estimated 30 residents per month from May – December 2024 within the local Scout Hall and to set up a Tea in the Park session where users would visit Newlands Park for a community picnic on 20th June 2024.	Awarded £780

Festive Lighting 2024/25 – Funding approved.

9 There was submitted and noted a report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, regarding the 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) the standard pricing schedule for the 2024/25 festive lighting programme remained the same as previous years, however prices would be undergoing a review, which would be updated at the August Partnership meeting;

(2) that the Partnership could nominate additional or alternative festive lighting locations to those delivered as part of the 2024/25 programme, to be notified by June 2024 and to identify locations where a switch on event could be proposed for either a Christmas or natural tree.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the 2023/24 festive lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2024/25 programme; and

(b) agreed that

(i) 2023 festive displays and switch on events be included in the 2024/25 programme;

(ii) a column featured (8 No)' tree be installed at Nether Auldhouse Road at a cost of £3,600;

(iii) any proposed new locations for assessment would be submitted to NRS by June 2024 to determine feasibility; and

(iv) any approval of necessary funding for additional costs over and above the central funding would be made at the next meeting of this Partnership.

Review of Community Planning and Community Empowerment Services noted.

10 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, regarding the review of Community Planning and Community Empowerment Services (CES), advising

(1) of the Glasgow's Local Outcome Improvement Plan, which had been reviewed and approved by Glasgow Community Planning Partnership (GCPP) Strategic Partnership and that the Plan had been developed by partners during the latter part of 2023 via the GCPP Executive Board;

(2) of the CES Service Reform, as detailed in the report;

(3) of the next steps and key priorities in the reform;

(4) of the work carried out by the Centre for Civic Innovation Team on 2 pilot areas for the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund to learn and expand the prototypes to other wards across the city;

(5) of the progress to date following the citizen led pilots with detailed information found within appendix 1 of the report and a breakdown on proposals approved by Greater Pollok and Calton Area Partnerships shown in appendix 2 of the report;

(6) of the city wide engagement work; and

(7) the recommendations on what the Partnership should consider.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) noted that an updated report on the progress of the review would be provided to a future meeting of this Partnership.

(c) Thanked Pat and her team on all the work that they have done.

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

11 The Partnership heard a presentation by Ms Siobhan Boyle, 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.

(4) Information can be found here http://goodfoodforall.co.uk/

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) thanked Siobhan Boyle for her presentation; and

(b) raised questions and some concerns and these were addressed by Siobhan Boyle.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund progress update noted.

12 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), advising

(1) of an update on the progress of the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund (NIF) that had been carried out and of the commitments to date;

(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) that no money had been spent to date and it was for this Area Partnership to be proactive to getting costings for projects to spend this allocation; and

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed that further information would be brought back to this Partnership regarding utilising NIF funding for the upgrading of the play areas at Hillpark and Mansewood Park, with estimated cost of £15,000.

Glasgow Life - New Youth and Communities Team – Presentation noted.

13 There was heard and noted a presentation by Julie MacLeod, Glasgow Life regarding the newly establshed Youth and Communities Team, advising

(1) that the Training Programme being delivered by Glasgow Sport was for 16-24 year olds not in education, employment, or training, with further information being found at https://www.glasgowlife.org.uk/sport/coaching-and-training/training-for-work

(2) that there were 3 areas that the Youth and Community Development team and further information could be found at https://www.glasgowlife.org.uk/glasgows-learning/community-development

(3) of the new NEC (National Entitlemant Card) and the Young Scot Card that were helping children get free transport and discounted products and exclusive rewards; and

(4) that the team worked closely with Police Scotland and 30 Glasgow schools on various aspects including youth engagement and identifying hotspots to reduce disturbance in local areas.