Item 1

3rd September 2024

LANGSIDE AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 16th April 2024, City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Susan Aitken (Chair), Councillor Holly Bruce, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Chris Thomson Police Scotland; Heather Bath, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Eveline McNair, Glasgow Third Sector Interface; Marion McMillan, Cathcart and District Housing Association; Judith Pollok, Mount Florida Community Council; Richard Dye, Langside Battlefield and Camphill Community Council; Kevin Watson, Toryglen Community Council; Theresa Toner, Sanctuary Housing Association and Christine Martin, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Councillor Paul Leinster, Councillor Stephen Docherty, Station Commander Douglas Millar, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Debbie Fleming, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership and Patricia Cahill, Sanctuary Housing Association.

Attending: Z Chaudhry (Clerk); D Speirs (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); K McCormick (Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability) and C Tait, (Toryglen Community Hall).

Absence of Chair

1 In terms of paragraph 7.4 of the Governance Framework, the Partnership noted that in the absence of Councillor Leinster, Councillor Aitken had been appointed to Chair the meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

2 The minutes of 6th February 2024 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership update noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an update on the membership of this Partnership, advising that Heather Bath had become the substitute member for Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

After consideration, the partnership agreed to approach South East Integration Network with regards to co-opted membership.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

4 There was heard and noted a verbal report by Inspector Chris Thomson, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership that

(1) since the last area partnership meeting there had been no major incidents in the ward;

(2) regular issues occurred during Hampden stadium football match days;

(3) due to adverse weather conditions over the Easter holiday period there had been a noticeable decrease in youth disorder; and

(4) Police Scotland would be working in partnership with Glasgow Life to work towards decreasing graffiti and vandalism in the area.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update – Consideration continued.

5 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of this item to a future meeting of this partnership.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership - Update noted.

6 There was heard and noted report by Heather Bath, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) regarding an update on the HSCP, advising that

(1) the Quit Your Way to stop smoking service remained positive and the service remained very busy; and

(2) the Glasgow City Quit Your Way team continued to pilot the use of an app to support clients who wished to stop smoking.

Toryglen Youth Project – Presentation noted.

7 The Partnership heard a presentation from Christoper Tait and Eveline McNair on Toryglen Community Hall, advising that

(1) Toryglen Community Hall was established in 1988;

(2) 350 people used the hall weekly, with 26 groups holding weekly sessions all made possible with the assistance of 12 local volunteers;

(3) the hall facilitated events for young people, wellbeing, support and learning, nail care, in house groups and courses, community events, and activities and hall hires;

(4) over the last few years, a partnership had been formed in Toryglen to try and tackle some of the ongoing issues with youth disorder, with the partnership compromising of Toryglen Community Hall, Glasgow City Council's Neighbourhood, Regeneration Services (NRS), Castlemilk Youth Complex, Glasgow Life Youth Services and Sanctuary Housing.

(5) the partnership had managed to secure funding for youth workers who would develop relationships and activities with local 11 plus year olds from the local area;

(6) Toryglen Community Hall ran 14 different activities and events for children and young people in 2023/24, this being double the amount of the previous year; and

(7) area partnership funding had helped support Summer and Halloween art clubs, Halo arts and equipment for the youth club.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the presentation and thanked both Christoper Tait and Eveline McNair for the information; and

(b) raised a number of questions that were addressed.

Variation in order of business noted.

8 The Partnership agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

Review of Community Planning and Community Empowerment Services noted.

9 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 2024-2034 (the Glasgow Community Plan), which had been reviewed and approved by the Glasgow Community Planning Partnership (GCPP) Strategic Partnership on 13th February 2024 and that the Plan had been developed by partners during the latter part of 2023 by the GCPP Executive Board;

(2) of the Community Empowerment Services Service Reform, the next steps and key priorities, as detailed in the report;

(3) of the work carried out by the Centre for Civic Innovation Team on 2 pilot areas for the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund, namely Greater Pollok (Ward 3) and Calton (Ward 9), to learn from the prototypes and expand the engagement to other wards across the city;

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

(5) of the city-wide community engagement work; and

(6) the Partnership should consider whether other options for engaging citizens on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund should be explored.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) highlighted that Langside ward should be considered and put forward as a priority area when the next 6 areas were chosen by the Centre of Civic of Innovation and Derek Speirs would liaise with local community councils with regards to consultations and engagements in order to support plans for the ward; and

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

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

10 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding the Langside Infrastructure Fund, advising of the progress in relation to the process to support the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund, including a summary of commitments to date.

After consideration, the Partnership having highlighted an area of concern regarding the lighting installation within Queens Park.

(1) approved

(a) the installation of lighting at Queens Park at a cost of £40,000, in principle and subject to consultation with the Friends of Queens Park and subject to two neighbouring area partnerships also contributing £40,000; and

(b) footway improvements at Ledard Road/Overdale Street at a cost of £40,000,

(2) requested projected costings to make Skirving Street a pedestrian area.

Festive Lighting 2024/25 update noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

11 There was submitted and noted a report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding the 2024/25 Festive Lighting Programme, 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 within the ward, advising that

(1) that each Area Partnership would be awarded £3,600 central funding to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting;

(2) of the festive lighting locations for the ward delivered as part of the 2024/25 programme, as detailed in the report;

(3) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2023/24 festive lighting programme, and the cost to repeat the 2023/24 programme in 2024/25, as detailed in the report;

(4) 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 September Partnership meeting;

(5) the Festive Lighting delivery programme was subject to a new procurement exercise for 2025 to 2028;

(6) the Partnership could nominate additional or alternative festive lighting locations to those delivered as part of the 2024/25 programme, and that should any new locations be proposed, NRS required to be notified by 28th April 2024 to allow feasibility and cost of the new locations to be assessed and allow the 2024/25 programme to be finalised by 30th June 2024;

(7) that the partnership would be invited to identify locations where a switch-on event was proposed to be held for either a Christmas tree or a natural tree and that column mounted features would come on at the same time as the street lights on the day of installation;

(8) that is the total cost of delivery of the festive lighting programme selected by the Area Partnership exceeded the £3,600 central funding, the balance of the funding would require to be met by the Area Partnership from other funds; and

(9) that the cost to repeat the 2023/23 programme in 2024/25 would be £11,450.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted that members could submit proposals of new locations to NRS festive lighting team by June 2024 and that approval of funding and locations would be confirmed at the next area partnership meeting.

(b) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability remove from future reports the on-road Christmas tree permanently at the Couper Institute as it was not in the Langside Ward.

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 that the Langside Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2024/25 was £61,580.48; and a total of

(2) £0 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £61,580.48; 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 allocation for 2024/25;

(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
Toryglen Community Base	Towards the cost of funding a trip to Largs for 30 members	Awarded £350
Glasgow The Caring City	Towards the cost of renovating an area at the rear of Newlands South Church	Awarded £2,350
The Warriors	Towards the cost of bus hire and afternoon tea for 9 members to Loch Lomond	Awarded £495
Parent Network Scotland	Towards the cost of funding two courses	Continued consideration for further information
*Halo Arts	Towards the funding of Toryglen Youth Theatre	Awarded £5,250

The Glad Foundation	Towards the cost of funding to run 3 seasonal community events	Awarded £778
Clincarthill Parish Church	Towards the cost of a bus trip for 40 members to St Andrews	Awarded £350
Battlefield Community Project	Towards the cost of funding a yearly programme of events	Awarded £5,000
**Mount Florida Community Council	Towards the cost of engaging consultants and support engagement events to develop a local place plan for Mount Florida	Awarded £6,158
In House Event Solutions CIC Queens Park Arena	Towards the cost of annual programme of free events	Awarded £4,694.35
Glendale Gaelic School	Towards the cost of funding for a school residential trip to Ardmay house in June	Awarded £500
Castlemilk Youth Complex	Towards the cost of funding a outreach youth work service	Continued consideration for further information
Battlefield Primary out of school care	Towards the cost of funding new equipment	Awarded £2,000
Langside Primary school	Towards the cost of funding to purchase storage and science equipment	Awarded £3,280
Pride Outside Glasgow	Towards the cost of funding a LGBTQ wellbeing youth programme	Awarded £2,500 subject to confirmation of venue; funds not to be used for outdoor fire lighting

Parant is Paisde Glaschu	Towards the cost of funding family events	Awarded £1,495
***Police Scotland	Towards the cost of funding to purchase 2 quad bikes to deal with anti-social behaviour	Continued consideration for further information
Shawlands and Strathbungo Community Council and Langside, Battlefield and Camphill Community Council	Towards the cost of funding community events	Awarded £1,000

*Eveline McNair declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

**Judith Pollok declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

***Inspector Chris Thomson declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Area Budget 2023/2024 - Final monitoring statement noted.

13 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the Area Budget for 2023/2024, providing a final monitoring statement in relation to projects previously funded.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the monitoring statement and that £61,580.48 had been allocated to various projects in the Langside ward, representing a 100% spend.