

CANAL AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 7th February 2025, Saracen House, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Allan Gow (Chair), Lord Provost Jacqueline McLaren; and Councillor Fiona Higgins, Glasgow City Council; Watch Commander Paul Carby; Mhairi Shepard, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Jill Mackay, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Anne Marie Ewing, Milton Community Council; Sadie Gordan, Possilpark Community Council; and Ann McGinley, Ruchill Community Council.

Apologies: Councillor Robert Mooney, Glasgow City Council; Station Commander Graeme Morrow and Station Commander Ben Adams, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

Attending: P Yule (Clerk); K Gannon and M Hawkins (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance).

Appointment of substitute approved.

1 In terms of paragraph 6.10 of the Governance Framework, the Partnership noted that in the absence of the representative and the substitute representative from Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, the Chair had approved the attendance of Watch Commander Paul Carby.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

2 The minutes of 15th November 2024 were submitted and approved, subject to noting that at Item 7(b), regarding the decision to award Cadder Housing Association £10,896, this was incorrect and should be amended to read consideration continued for further information.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership noted etc.

3 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) Kenna Campbell was no longer the nominated substitute for Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership leaving this position vacant;
- (2) Inspector Colin MacLucas was no longer the nominated representative for Police Scotland leaving this position vacant; and

- (3) of the amendments to the Governance Framework that related to Area Partnerships.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

4 There was heard a report by Watch Commander Paul Carbry, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 3, from 1st September to 31st December 2024, advising the Partnership

- (1) that the service had attended 1,147 incidents in the North West area of which 163 were in the ward, 57 fires, 16 good intent and 3 water rescue, with no fatalities recorded;
- (2) of the work carried out by the Community Safety Team prior to Bonfire night to educate youths and raise continued awareness on the dangers of bonfires and fireworks;
- (3) that 678 Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSV) had been carried out and of future collaborations with partners on HFSV; and
- (4) that phase 2 of the public consultation would start around July 2025.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Watch Commander Carbry for the work carried out by the service

Police Scotland – Consideration continued.

5 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of a ward update by Police Scotland to a future meeting.

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

6 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 Canal Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2024/25 was £108,959.02 and that £79,234.13 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £29,724.89; and

(2) 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 application 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:

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Purpose of application</i>	<i>Decision</i>
The GK Experience	Towards the cost of purchasing various pieces of equipment to support the groups operation	Awarded £1,500
St Cuthbert's Primary School	Towards the cost of purchasing equipment to support the delivery of lunch time and after school clubs for children attending the school	Awarded £1,631.98
Police Scotland	Towards the cost to purchase a range of safety and security equipment for the residents of the Canal Ward	Awarded £10,073.64
*NG Homes	Towards the cost of purchasing equipment and delivering a range of community activities	Awarded £4,138.53
International Women's Group	Towards the costs of printing materials and equipment	Awarded £1,900
Chirnsyde Primary School	Towards the cost of bus hire for a residential trip to Achengillan Outdoor Centre from the 24th to 27th March 2025	Awarded £1,000

Benview Early Years	Towards the cost to purchase equipment for children who attend their settling room	Awarded £1,500
North United Communities	Towards the cost of a programme of activities and purchase of equipment	Awarded £5,070

*Councillor Gow declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon and The Lord Provost assumed the Chair for this item only.

Area Budget 2025/26 – Applications for funding dealt with etc - etc – Declaration of interest.

7 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, advising

- (1) that the Area Budget had still to be agreed by the City Administration Committee and any revisions to Area Budget allocations for 2025/26 would be detailed in a future report;
- (2) that Area Partnerships had the option to approve a portion of funds from its 2025/26 Area Budget at the January/February 2025 cycle of meetings for any projects/services that would take place early in the 2025/26 financial year;
- (3) that any funding recommended would be subject to confirmation of available finances; and
- (4) that any applications considered at the January/February 2025 cycle of meetings should be time critical.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
 - (i) that the Area Budget allocations for 2025/26 were subject to availability of funds following approval of Glasgow City Council's 2025/26 budget, with any revisions to current levels of budget being subject to a future report;
 - (ii) the interim arrangements which enabled the allocation of a portion of the funding from the 2025/26 Area Budget in the January/February cycle for time critical applications; and

- (iii) that time critical awards of up to £500 could be allocated from the 2025/26 budget under the existing delegated authority arrangements; and
- (b) agreed the playscheme award for spring, summer and October holiday periods as follows:-

Playscheme	Venue	Spring 2025	Summer 2025	October 2025	Total Award
Glasgow Women's Aid	Confidential address	£440	£1,496	£220	£2,156

- (c) dealt with applications for funding as follows, the grant award being subject to the conditions detailed in the report;

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Purpose of application</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Pollok Credit Union	Towards the cost of running a series of sessions which would allow people to access a range of financial advice	Awarded £6,000
ESOL Scotland	Towards the cost to run 2 courses of ESOL classes for beginner and intermediate speakers in partnership with North Glasgow Community Food Initiative	Consideration continued for further information
*Courtyard Pantry	Towards the cost of running a programme of free community lunches for members of the local community	Refused due to not good use of AP funding and potential funding may be available from the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund
International Women's Group	Towards the cost of running an accredited IT course for women who attend the International Women's Group	Consideration continued for further information

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

Findings from the Health and Wellbeing survey - Presentation noted.

8 There was heard and noted a presentation by Mhairi Shepard, North West Health Improvement Team, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership, regarding findings from the Health and Wellbeing survey, advising that

- (1) the survey content included financial wellbeing, social health, social capital, health behaviours and health and fitness and was conducted by in-person interviews with adult residents across the North West area;
- (2) 1,171 interviews were carried out, which took place over a period of 9 months between September 2022 and May 2023;
- (3) in the 5 years since the survey had been carried out, life had changed for people in Scotland and a number of new concepts had been added to the survey; and
- (4) full findings from the survey could be accessed at <https://biteable.com/watch/4232715/1ad9f483f3d928c6ee32744c594c176c> and the full report could be accessed at <https://www.stor.scot.nhs.uk/handle/11289/580385>

Development of Area Partnership Plans noted.

9 There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, regarding the development of Area Partnership Plans, advising

- (1) that one of the key actions identified as a priority for the newly formed Communities Team was to support Area Partnerships in the development of Area Partnership Plans that would define local ward priorities and areas of need, highlight the resources and infrastructure available and ensure any future investment of resources was effectively targeted in response to the actions plans;
- (2) of the proposal to develop the action plans to leverage community-identified data and the work undertaken with colleagues from Strategic Information, Innovation & Technology in the development of Area Partnership dashboards, as detailed in the report;
- (3) that the proposed plans would have clear strategic links with the Child Poverty Programme, Thriving Places and or Local Place Plans and Health and Social Care Partnership Sector Plans; and
- (4) the next steps and a proposed timeline of the process that would be undertaken in 2025/26 as detailed at Appendix 1 of the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) that the partnership acknowledged that the Thriving Places programme had come to an end in the Canal Ward and would not feature in the development of the Canal Area Partnership Plan