

NEWLANDS/AULDBURN AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Item 1

4th April 2025

Minutes of meeting held on 31st January 2025, Hybrid meeting.

- Present:** Councillor Sean Ferguson (Chair), Councillor Stephen Curran and Bailie Leòdhas Massie, Glasgow City Council; Inspector James McFarlane, Police Scotland; Lesley Ann Currie, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Sandra Fusari, Mansewood and Hillpark Community Council; Jade Graham, Newlands and Auldhouse Community Council; David A Kerr, Pollokshaws and Eastwood Community Council; Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and Amanda O'Donoghue, Hillpark Secondary School Parent Council.
- Apologies:** Station Commander Martine Barr, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and Karina Baillie, Pollokshaws/Eastwood Community Council.
- Attending:** J Crawford (Clerk); A Abbott and M Hawkins (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance), K McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and Ross Taylor, Cathcart and District Council.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

- 1** The minutes of 8th November 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 on the membership of this Partnership, advising
- (1) that Sergeant Craigie Ferguson had been nominated as the substitute representative for Police Scotland, replacing Sergeant Emma Wright; and
 - (2) that Anna Greene had been nominated as the representative and Gemma Black as the substitute representative for Carnwadric WIN Project;
 - (3) that Ross Taylor, Cathcart & District Council would be formally added to the membership; and
 - (4) of the amendments to the Governance Framework that related to Area Partnerships.

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

3 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 Newlands/Auldburn Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2024/25 was £66,248.48 and to date had committed a total of £40,554.80 (61%) to various projects in the area, including £1,940.00 under the scheme of delegated functions;
- (3) that a balance of £25,693.00 (39%) remained, which included the sum of £5,580.00 which had been returned from Glen Oaks Housing; and
- (4) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2024/25.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

- (a) the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2024/25; 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>
*Friends of Pollok Park	Towards costs to pay for consultants to complete a hydrological study that would be phase 1 as part of a project to restore the wildlife pond in the North Wood	Awarded £1,018
Tinto Primary	Towards repairs to the outdoor play equipment in the school playground	Awarded £1,568
*Pollokshaws Area Network	Towards costs of 2 new workshops (Cooking and Photography) held over February and March 2025	Awarded £5,579
**Hillpark Secondary Parent Council	To purchase sound equipment to support the schools extra - curricular music program and performances	Awarded £5,413
Newlands & Aulhouse Community Council	To support the purchase of costumes for 29th Glasgow Scout Group to perform the Annual Gang Show	Withdrawn

Helping Hands Community Foodbank	Towards training for volunteers, food for the Café of Hope and laptops to assist staff in running the foodbank and the Café of Hope	Awarded £3,250
St Margaret's Episcopal Church	To purchase a new secure shed to be placed at the side of the church to store garden equipment	Awarded £2,904
Jimmy Dunnachie Family Learning Centre	To purchase equipment and resources for the Inspiring Environments programme	Awarded £4,770

*Councillor Ferguson declared an interest in this item of business and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon; and

**Amanda O'Donohue declared an interest in this item of business and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Area Budget 2025/26 – Applications for funding dealt with etc.

4 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 2024/25 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 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) 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>
Clyde College	Towards the costs of the Cardonald Community Hub running a twilight service for young people aged 12–24.	Awarded £3,000

Development of Area Partnership Plans noted.

5 With reference to the minutes of 10th April 2024 noting the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and the service reform of Community Empowerment Services, there was submitted 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 were 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 HSCP 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;

- (b) identified citizen participation and environmental issues as potential initial priorities for the partnership; and
- (c) approved the proposed timeline for the development of Area Partnership Plans as detailed at Appendix 1 of the report.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

6 There was heard a report by Inspector James McFarlane, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership that

- (1) Newlands Division had received 1,489 calls for the period 8th November 2024 to 31st January 2025,
 - (a) 360 calls for the Hillpark and Mansewood area
 - (i) anti-social behaviour associated with school children at Holeburn Road - Campus Officer Tanya Honeyman was progressing the enquiry which involved young people from Hillpark Secondary and Tinto Primary School; and
 - (ii) youth disorder of theft of wheelie bins and fire raising at Stoneside Drive and additional patrols had been put in place; and
 - (b) 481 calls for the Newlands and Auldburn area - an attempted murder within Nether Auldhuse Park and enquiries were ongoing with a public appeal for information;
- (2) that the Body Worn Video (BWV) project continued to make good progress as it moved towards a Spring 2025 go live date and the roll out of BWV was in addition to the cameras, the network, infrastructure, hardware and software updates <https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/body-worn-video/>;
- (3) that domestic abuse continued to be an issue with Police Scotland committed to tackling the problem and this year's 'Couples Questions' campaign encouraged young men to reflect on their behaviour and take action to stop if they had started to use abusive, controlling or coercive behaviour in their relationships <https://www.scotland.police.uk/what-s-happening/campaigns/2024/domestic-abuse/> ;
- (4) that the 2030 vision for policing was an organisation focused on safer communities, less crime, supported victims and a thriving workforce and work to deliver this vision would be planned and organised over 2 3-year planning periods namely April 2024 to March 2027 and April 2027 to March 2030 with significant changes to the organisation across the areas of building frontline capacity, community policing, supported victims, workforce modernisation, public contact, estates and science, innovation, and technology;

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/our-2030-vision-and-three-year-plan/>

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Inspector James McFarlane for the update.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

7 There was submitted and noted a report by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) 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 that

- (1) the Service had attended 852 incidents in the South area, these being 259 fires, 200 special services and 393 false alarms;
- (2) Q3 of 24/25 saw an overall reduction of 4% in incidents attended in the South compared to last year's Q3 total
- (3) the changes to Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) response from 1st July 2023 had seen a decrease in the number of false alarm incidents attended by operation crews;
- (4) the figure of 150 Deliberate Fires in Q3 2024/25 shows a decrease of 9% from last year's quarter however remains below the 5-year average;
- (5) the figure of 56 Dwelling Fires in Q3 2024/25, this is the same number as the previous year's quarter and the joint lowest record in the past 5 years;
- (5) overall, there were 10 fire casualties in total, all of which were a result of accidental dwelling fires, tragically there was one fire fatality which can be attributed to an accidental dwelling fire; and
- (6) that during the Q3 period, SFRS attended 200 special service incidents, ranging from flood and water rescues to animal rescue.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership ward update noted.

8 There was heard a report by Leslie Ann Currie, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership, regarding

- (1) the Health, Exercise and Nutrition for the Really Young (HENRY) approach programme,
 - (a) the HENRY approach focused on family behaviour to help parents adopt healthier eating and lifestyle habits to give their children the best start in life;

- (b) staff training for the programme had commenced;
 - (c) access to the HENRY approach would be through a referral for parents or carers with children aged 0 to 12 years who, if successful, could attend workshops;
 - (d) that more information could be found, <https://www.nhsggc.scot/your-health/child-and-young-persons-healthy-weight/henry/>
- (2) that the re-commencement of the Quit Your Way stop smoking service remained positive, with successful engagement of face-to-face clinics as well as telephone support offering support to stop smoking and face to face clinics continued to thrive at Kellock Pharmacy, The Braes Shopping Centre, on Tuesdays 1-3pm and Harmony Row Pharmacy, 21 Harmony Row on Wednesdays 1-3pm and more information and for specialist smoking cessation support the Quit Your Way team could be contacted on 0800 028 5208; and
- (3) that the cost of living was still the main concern for families, <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/JybLXvWE5NmGowSX?ref=email>

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked L Currie for her contribution.

Local Parks and Open Spaces update noted.

9 There was submitted and noted a report by the Kevin McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding the Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund providing an update on projects allocated within the ward for years 2021/22 and 2022/23.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) raised questions and concerns that were answered by Mr McCormick; and
- (2) requested that an updated report be provided to the next meeting of the Partnership that should include confirmation of the grassland area of the park at Hillpark Avenue as being waterlogged.

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

10 There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, regarding the next stages for community engagement on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) programme, advising

- (1) of the current NIIF allocation across the Area Partnerships and the challenges faced by Partnerships regarding generation of ideas, timescales of the funds, community engagement and allocation;
- (2) that Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability would provide a progress report to the next meeting of the Partnership, which would include up to date costings and allocations for each ward, information on the new internal processes for the NIIF and templates for the recording of ideas; and
- (3) that members should advise how the process of NIIF allocations should continue, how the remainder of the £1m fund should be allocated and what support would be required from the Communities Team.