

## **Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) – Community engagement update noted etc – Request to Councillor Doherty.**

**5** With reference to the minutes of 30th January 2025 noting an update regarding the next stages for community engagement on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) and agreeing various action, there was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance providing a further update regarding the matter, advising

- (1) that the purpose of the report was to bring ideas for spending the NIIF that had been generated by communities to the Partnership for consideration;
- (2) that those ideas that the Partnership wished to go forward to the next stage would be assessed and costed by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) and brought to a future meeting when the Partnership would be asked to allocate funding;
- (3) of the next stages of the NIIF, as detailed in the report;
- (4) that community representatives had been gathering ideas for costing using a template based on the detail that NRS required and that when read alongside the previous agenda item on a progress update on the NIIF, the Partnership was able to see these ideas alongside any ideas that had already been costed, or costed and approved;
- (5) of all the ideas that had been gathered so far for the Shettleston ward, as detailed in the appendix to the report, which had come from local community councils, other community organisations, Local Place Plans and Liveable Neighbourhoods;
- (6) that if the ideas list was fairly short and covered the ward well, the Partnership could agree to submit those ideas for costing, however, if the list was quite lengthy and the Partnership was unable to shortlist it, it could be followed up with an informal meeting to prioritise ideas to get the list to a manageable size in advance of the next Partnership meeting; and
- (7) that the Partnership also needed to consider how they intended to make decisions about what to fund and choose one of the options, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) agreed that the following project ideas should go forward to the next stage to be assessed and costed by NRS, as detailed in the report,
  - (i) Ref No 1, the basketball court between Powfoot and Beattock Street;
  - (ii) Ref No 2, the walkway/footpath at Whiterose;

- (iii) Ref No 3, Beardmore Park regeneration, taking into consideration funding from the Scottish Government towards playparks when known;
  - (iv) Ref No 5, a kitchen in the Glasshouse, Tollcross Park, with Shettleston Housing Association to be approached regarding a share of the costs;
  - (v) Ref No 6, upgrade work and refurbishment of Children's Farm, Tollcross Park;
  - (vi) Ref No 7, upgrade work at the playpark on Dowanfield Street, taking into consideration funding from the Scottish Government towards playparks when known;
  - (vii) Ref No 11, upgrade of the duck pond and mural at the Children's Farm, Tollcross Park;
  - (viii) Ref No 14, installation of 4 benches and other work at Tollcross Park burn;
  - (ix) Ref No 16, upgrade of Shettleston Community Centre;
  - (x) Ref No 17, a "pocket park" on the site of the former Shettleston Halls;
  - (xi) Ref No 18(b), improvement to pedestrian/cycle access from Shettleston Railway Station to Shettleston Road;
  - (xii) Ref No 24, work on the paths linking Wester Road to Criffell Road with Councillor Doherty to contact Kevin McCormick, NRS regarding a project to develop a path through Mount Vernon; and
  - (xiii) Ref No 26, upgrade of Mount Vernon playpark, taking into consideration funding from the Scottish Government towards playparks when known;
- (c) agreed to include the following projects for costing to the next meeting, not detailed in the report,
- (i) benches at the Blackadder Memorial Gardens, London Road; and
  - (ii) additional lighting at Sandyhills Park; and
- (d) that, if required, an additional meeting to discuss solely NIIF proposals, once costings had been confirmed, could be arranged to agree which projects should be taken forward for approval at the next Partnership meeting.