

## **LANGSIDE AREA PARTNERSHIP.**

Minutes of meeting held on 2nd September 2025, Queen's Park Bowling Club, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Holly Bruce (Chair), Councillor Susan Aitken, Councillor Stephen Docherty; and Councillor Paul Leinster, Glasgow City Council; Station Commander Douglas Millar, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Seargent Keith McLay, Police Scotland; Debbie Fleming, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Chris Tait, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Marion McMillan, Cathcart and District Housing Association; Graham Stark, Langside, Battlefield and Camphill Community Council; Kevin Watson, Toryglen Community Council; Jess Steele, South East Integration Network; and Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Inspector Chris Thomson, Police Scotland; and Judith Pollock, Mount Florida Community Council;

Attending: C Birrell (Clerk); A Abbott (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); C Martin, E Ward, C Weitz and R Smith (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and K Kane, Langside Hall Trust.

### **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 Police Scotland, the Chair had approved the attendance of Seargent Keith McLay.

### **Minutes of previous meeting approved.**

2 The minutes of 1st April 2025 were submitted and approved.

### **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) it had been previously agreed at the meeting on 1st April 2025 that Chris Tait would be the substitute representative for Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network;

- (2) Robbie Warringham was now the substitute member for Mount Florida Community Council replacing the vacant member position; and
- (3) Diane Osprey was now the substitute representative for Langside, Battlefield & Camphill Community Council replacing the vacant position.

**Police Scotland ward update noted etc.**

- 4** There was heard and noted a report by Seargent Keith McLay advising
- (1) that Inspector Chris Thomson would be moving on and there would be a new representative for Police Scotland and once the new representative had been confirmed he would update the Partnership;
  - (2) of the work being undertaken in relation to tackling shoplifting within the area;
  - (3) of the recent traffic issues in relation to concerts and football games at Hampden Park;
  - (4) that the officers stationed at Gorbals Police Station would move to Aitkenhead Road Police Station and there would be no change in the number of officers;
  - (5) that Campus officers were being kept very busy with their workload within schools;
  - (6) of the ongoing antisocial issues in relation to Langside Halls and proposals to erect additional CCTV cameras in conjunction with the Marlborough night club; and
  - (7) of future planning with regards to firework exclusion zones and festive workforce planning.

**Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - Service Delivery Review Consultation and ward update noted.**

**5** There was heard and noted a presentation together with a report by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service regarding SFR Service Delivery Review public consultation together with current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 1, from 1st April to 30th June 2025, advising the Partnership

- (1) that the service had attended 43 fires in the Langside area, 22 were accidents and 21 were deliberate there had only been one hospitalised casualty and no fatalities;
- (2) that there had been 20 incidents for special services, which were mainly to assist the ambulance services with help accessing properties and 4 instances of floods;

- (3) that there had been 12 false alarms which was a reduction in the numbers for the same period last year; and
- (4) of the work being undertaken in schools for P6 and P7 pupils in relation to bonfire safety and S1 and S2 in relation to fire safety and firework exclusion zones.

**Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership ward update noted.**

6 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP) providing an update regarding work being undertaken by GCHSCP in the South area of the city, as detailed in the report.

**Area Partnership Development Plan noted.**

7 With reference to the minutes of 11th February 2025 approving the proposed timeline for the development of Area Partnership plans, there was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance advising of the work being carried out to address child and family poverty across the city and the need to align this with Area Partnership plans, with updated reports to be provided to future Partnership meetings.

**Festive Lighting 2025/26 update – Funding approved.**

8 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding 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) of the 2024/25 festive displays and switch-on events and asked the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2025/26 programme;
- (2) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-2028 festive lighting programme following the procurement exercise carried out to deliver the programme; and
- (3) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be met by Langside Area Partnership from other funds.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2025/26 programme; and
- (b) approved additional funding of £1,780 over and above the central funding for the 2025 Festive Lighting as detailed in the report.

### **Area Budget Evaluation noted.**

**9** There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding details of projects selected to complete an Evaluation Report,

- (1) advising that projects funded through the area budget were required to comply with the Council's Standard Conditions of Funding which stated that organisations must comply in full with evaluation requirements; and
- (2) detailing, at Appendix 1 of the report, information on 10% of projects funded during 2024/25, which had been selected to complete an Evaluation Report.

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

**10** With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 13th March 2025, when the committee approved the 2025/26 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 2025/26;
- (2) that the Langside Area Partnership's budget allocation for 2025/26 was £61,581 and that a total of £44,862 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £16,719; and
- (3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget 2025/26.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2025/26; 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>                                                                        |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Charlie Miller Football Academy | Funding to support the Educational Opportunities in Volunteering/Coaching Programme | Awarded £2,666                                                                         |
| Toryglen Community Base         | Towards the cost of repairs to the base in Prospecthill Circus                      | Awarded £4,200 subject to further information regarding sustainability of the building |

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| Cycling Without Age Scotland                                 | Towards the cost of the purchase of a trishaw to be cited at Pollok Park                                                                                 | Refused due to oversubscription from the Area Budget |
| Halo Arts School Panto Tour                                  | Towards the cost of delivering pantomimes for school children in the South of Glasgow                                                                    | Refused due to oversubscription from the Area Budget |
| Glasgow Life – Langside Library Community Arts Project       | Towards the cost of an arts project which would involve community school children adorning the hoarding’s erected as part of the library’s refurbishment | Awarded £3,000                                       |
| Home Start South - Upgrade of website and social media       | Towards the cost to upgrade the website and enhance social media content with up to date accessible information for all users                            | Awarded £927                                         |
| Warriors Scotland – Wellness Sessions                        | Towards the cost of continuing services offered to attendees of the group                                                                                | Awarded £959                                         |
| Battlefield Community Project Lantern Parade                 | Towards the cost of the annual Lantern Parade                                                                                                            | Awarded £1,998                                       |
| Cathcart Senior Citizens Club – Christmas Lunch and Bus Trip | Towards the cost of a Christmas Lunch and bus trip for 30 people to Edinburgh                                                                            | Awarded £1,064                                       |

**Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) - Update noted etc – Funding approved.**

**11** With reference to the minutes of 1st April 2025, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) programme, advising a progress update in relation to the NIIF, including proposals submitted for estimate and a summary of committed spend and actual spend for the ward, as detailed in tables 1, 2 and 3.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted the report;
- (2) agreed the proposals and spend to date, as detailed in the report; and

- (3) approved the next steps in relation to the following undernoted projects:-
- (a) 07-017 – Confirmed that the upgrade for the Langside Monument was for lighting of the monument only;
  - (b) 07-047 – Geoff Shaw Community Centre – Accessibility improvements – agreed that this project be removed as funding could be obtained via other funding streams;
  - (c) 07-024 – Glenmore Avenue and Kerrylamont – Regeneration of play park -agreed that this project be removed as other funding already allocated;
  - (d) 07-055 – White Cart Way – Installation of speed bumps, lighting, signage and mirrors – agreed funding of £500 to carry out assessment; and
  - (e) 07-063 – Malls Mires play area – agreed funding of £500 to carry out assessment.

**Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) - Community Engagement update noted – Funding approved etc.**

**12** With reference to the minutes of 1st April 2025 providing an update on Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) Community Engagement, there was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance

- (1) requesting approval of the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SMID) split of 60%-40% for the £1m funding as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report; and
- (2) providing additional ideas for funding as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) agreed in principle
  - (i) the SMID 60%-40% split of the NIIF funding, subject to the figures being circulated to members for consideration; and
  - (i) funding of £121,666 towards the refurbishment of Langside Halls, subject to Mount Florida Community Council supporting this; and
- (b) approved funding of £100,000 towards the provision of a Multi-Use Games area in North Toryglen.