

**SAFE GLASGOW PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.**

Glasgow, 13th March 2025.

**Safe Glasgow Partnership.**

**Present:** Bailie Paul McCabe (Chair), Councillor Holly Bruce, Councillor Graham Campbell, Bailie Seonad Hoy, Councillor Elaine McSporran and Councillor Catherine Vallis, Glasgow City Council; Diane Gillies, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; Chief Superintendent Lynn Ratcliff, Police Scotland; Local Senior Officer Andrew Kenna, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; David Shiel, Wheatley Housing Group and Lesley Gordon, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network.

**Apologies:** Councillor Marie Garrity, Councillor Ann Jenkins, Councillor Robert Mooney, Jennifer Anderson and Lynsey Smith.

**Attending:** L Sclater (Clerk); K Baxter, R MacLeod and M Smith, Communities Team, Chief Executives Department; Group Commander Craig Campbell, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Superintendent Ryan McMurdo, Police Scotland and D Lambie and C McCrindle, GCC Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

**Chairs remarks.**

**1** Bailie McCabe opened the meeting by acknowledging the recent tragic loss of a young Glasgow teenager's life and passed on condolences to the family and friends of the victim.

**Minutes of previous meeting approved.**

**2** The minutes of 28th November 2024 were submitted and approved, subject to noting that at item 7 (b) (i) in relation to Police Scotland providing taser deployment statistics, the Partnership had indicated their wish for taser deployment statistics to be provided in future quarterly updates going forward.

**Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership update noted.**

**3** There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update on the membership of the Safe Glasgow Partnership, advising that

- (1) Councillor Marie Garrity had been appointed as a member in place of Councillor Philip Braat;

- (2) Superintendent Ryan McMurdo had been appointed as substitute representative for Police Scotland, replacing Superintendent David Reid; and
- (3) Diane Gillies had been appointed as member for Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and Darren Lambie had been appointed as substitute representative in place of Jenny O'Hagan and Gary Walker respectively.

**Police Scotland - Local Policing Plan 2023-26 - Performance for Year 2, Quarter 3 noted - Request to Police Scotland.**

4 There was submitted a report by Chief Superintendent Lynn Ratcliff, Police Scotland, providing an overview of the current performance of Police Scotland during the Quarter 3 period from 1st October to 31st December 2024, advising

- (1) of the continued drive forward with its Public Health Approach to policing that involved working closely with partners to support vulnerable members of the community;
- (2) that there had been a slight increase in overall violent crimes and detection rates compared to the previous year, with Police Scotland committed to working towards reducing those figures;
- (3) that hate crime detection rates had decreased compared to the previous year, with Police Scotland continuing to work with its partners to encourage reporting all hate crimes;
- (4) 'Local days of action' had been carried out and would continue to look at the use of illegal modified E-bikes;
- (5) targeted campaigns continued, with a vision to increase the number of campaigns dealing with the dangers of drink and drug driving;
- (6) of some of the work being undertaken in relation to crime, homicides in the city, police impersonator fraud, events, operations and serious and organised crime; and
- (7) of a detailed breakdown of the complaints against police, violent crime, violence against women and girls, hate crime, community wellbeing and taser deployment, as detailed in the appendices to the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
  - (i) the report; and
  - (ii) Chief Superintendent Lynne Ratcliff's update on near miss data, indicating that as previously advised, the data was challenging and

sporadic and there was no way of collating such data, however, she would endeavour to investigate if there was any way of extrapolating data currently held by Police Scotland;

- (b) welcomed the extended invitation for Partnership members to attend a Road Safety 'Local day of Action' alongside Police Scotland colleagues, whilst noting that the Road Safety Calendar would be circulated to everyone to choose any event they may wish to attend; and
- (c) requested that Chief Superintendent Lynn Ratcliff, at Councillor Bruce's request, provide a breakdown in future reports on Hate Crime statistics to include the type of Hate Crime reported along with further breakdown of the types of reported Violence Against Women incidents.

### **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service – Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2024-25 – Quarter 3 performance noted.**

**5** There was submitted a report by Local Senior Officer Andrew Kenna, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS), providing an overview of the current performance of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service for the period Quarter 3 2024/25, from 1st October to 31st December 2024, advising

- (1) of the progress made in relation to local fire and rescue plan priorities on the prevention and reduction of accidental dwelling fire, deliberate fires, non-domestic fires, unwanted fire alarm signals and road traffic collisions with the year on year change over the past 4 years along with details for each Glasgow City Council ward for the period;
- (2) that 28 non-fatal accidental dwelling fires casualties had been recorded, with tragically one fatality recorded during the Q3 period;
- (3) that the service had assisted 125 individuals in non-fire emergencies which demonstrated the services' wider role in public safety;
- (4) the service had responded to 596 unwanted fire alarm signals for the period with student accommodations, residential homes and hospitals being the most frequent sources;
- (5) of the revised home fire safety criteria and that this new system would be going live on 12th February 2025; and
- (6) that SFRS continued to promote campaigns outwith fire safety such as water safety, anti-social behaviour and first aid initiatives with its partner agencies.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

- (a) the report;

- (b) that details of timeline for the consultation process for the new SFRS Local Plan would be brought to the next meeting for information; and
- (c) that following Councillor McSporran's request for details on fire raising hotspots in each Ward, Group Commander Craig Campbell indicated that this information could be provided to each Area Partnership as part of SFRS updates.

**Scottish Fire and Rescue Service draft Strategy 2025-2028 - Presentation noted.**

**6** The Partnership heard and noted a presentation by Group Commander, Craig Campbell, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) in relation to the draft strategy 2025-2028, advising that

- (1) the draft Strategy 2025-28 was out for public consultation on 5th February to 2nd April 2025, with all members of this Partnership having been issued with the consultation to comment or circulate to other interested parties;
- (2) to achieve its ambitions and manage known service risks, the main strategic objectives to drive the Strategy forward were:
  - (a) Safer Communities through Prevention;
  - (b) Safe and Effective Response;
  - (c) Investing in our People;
  - (d) Improving Organisational Performance; and
  - (e) Innovation and Investment.

**Hate Crime Working Group - Update noted etc.**

**7** There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the progress made on the delivery of the Hate Crime Working Group (HCWG) thematic Action Plans: Preventing, Reporting and Responding, advising

- (1) of the makeup of the multi-agency group that had been embedded with Glasgow Community Planning Partnership structures, and whose purpose was to encourage and co-ordinate partnership approaches to Hate Crime;
- (2) that since the appointment of the new Hate Crime Policy Officer, the HCWG had met to consult on the development and implementation of the Hate Crime Strategy with the revised plan due to be presented at the next meeting of this Partnership; and

- (3) of the HCWG's involvement in the Hate Crime Awareness Week which ran from 7th-14th October 2024, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Group noted

- (a) the work of the Hate Crime Working Group;
- (b) the events of the Hate Crime Awareness Week;
- (c) the developments in delivering the Glasgow Hate Crime Strategy 2018-2028; and
- (d) that further work would continue to link in with transport providers and Registered Social Landlords to offer Hate Crime training of staff and to build better relationships with those organisations.

**Community Justice Annual report 2024/25 presentation noted.**

**8** There was heard a presentation by K Baxter, Communities Team regarding the Community Justice Annual report 2024/25.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) thanked K Baxter for briefing members on the annual report and taking them through the Community Justice Annual report website; and
- (2) noted that it was the intention for the Community Justice team to improve links with the Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership to incorporate more detailed information in future reports.

**Date of next meeting noted.**

**9** The Group noted that the next meeting would take place on Thursday, 19th June 2025 at 1400 hours by video conference.