

GARSCADDEN/SCOTSTOUNHILL AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 13th November 2024, Knightswood Community Centre, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Malcolm Mitchell (Chair), Councillor Bill Butler, Councillor Chris Cunningham and Councillor Eva Murray, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Derek Gibson, Police Scotland; Lainy Bedingfield, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Scott Donaldson, Scotstoun Community Council; and Ross MacPhail, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Sandra Barber, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Beth Reid, Kingsway Community Connections and Sandy Busby, Yoker Community Council.

Attending: J Crawford (Clerk); S Johnstone (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); M Johnston-Gray, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector and K McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

- 1 The minutes of 3rd September 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 regarding the membership of this Partnership, indicating that there had been no changes since the previous meeting. Thereafter, the Partnership agreed that DRC and Kingsway Youth Group be formally invited as co-opted members of this Partnership.

Community Planning Partnership – Governance Framework - Register of Interests noted.

- 3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration advising the Partnership of the requirements in relation to the Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework regarding the registration and declaration of members' interests and detailing those interests which had been declared by members of the Partnership, as detailed in the report.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

4 There was heard a report by Inspector Derek Gibson, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership that

- (1) Inspector Derek Gibson had moved to a new area and that Inspector Siobhan Patterson had returned to the Drumchapel area;
- (2) there had been a slight decrease in car theft, however this may increase over the winter months, with the public being advised to always secure cars whilst defrosting;
- (3) of road safety issues within the Car Free School Zone areas and that these continued to decrease as local patrols were attending on a daily basis; and
- (4) there had been an increase in fraud telephone calls with vulnerable people being targeted for money.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Inspector Gibson for the update and all the work carried out by Police Scotland within the ward.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service – Consideration continued.

5 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of an update on ward issues by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to a future meeting of this Partnership.

Area Budget 2024/25 – Applications for funding dealt with etc – Declaration 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 Garscadden/Scotstounhill Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2024/25 was £87,055 and that to date had committed a total of £76,106 (67.4%) to various projects in the area, leaving a balance of £10,949 (12.6%); and
- (3) 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 applications 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>
Active Seniors	To provide 3 social events in early 2025.	Awarded £1,360
Active Schools	Towards supporting the costs of providing after school sport related activities for pupils within Knightswood Secondary School and cluster schools.	Awarded £2,400
Movement Park –	Towards the costs of delivering the Movement Park Community Activity Project to Children within Garscadden/ Scotstounhill.	Refused
ESOL- Beginners Class	Funding towards Esol Classes for adults living in the area. The project will also provide a crèche to support families in attending the classes.	Continued consideration to next meeting
Enable Glasgow Fortune Works	Funding toward purchasing 76 sturdy, ergonomic and hard wearing wooden chairs, as well as 16 hand dryers, to support adults with learning disabilities who attend our day service.	Continued consideration to next meeting
Abercorn School	Funding towards a reduction of cost for pupils wishing to attend a ski trip to Italy.	Refused

Housing Sub-group progress update – Consideration continued.

7 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of a progress update on the Housing Sub-group to the next meeting of this Partnership.

Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund - Fund update noted

8 There was submitted a report by Kevin McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, 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, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted the report; and
- (2) raised concerns regarding the £50,000 costs for Knightswood Park and agreed that community engagement should be undertaken before this was taken forward; and
- (3) agreed to reallocate the sum of £12,700 for Knightswood Park and Yoker Recreation Ground to be used to improve the existing wetlands area and increase side planting of wetland favouring tree species.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund report noted - Funding approved – Request to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

9 There was heard a verbal update by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding the Garscadden/Scotstounhill Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund (NIF).

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted that
 - (a) a further update would be submitted to the next meeting of this Partnership; and
 - (b) future requests for NIF proposals should be submitted to this Partnership to consider and any costings of the proposals should be undertaken by NRS and brought back to this Partnership for consideration; and
- (2) requested
 - (a) that NRS investigate the installation of 4 sets of speed cushions around Clyde Campus and liaise with other departments to ensure there was no duplication of works;

- (b) clarification on the potential installation of 4 redeployable CCTV cameras for the ward, indicating that maintenance costs should not be incurred by this Partnership; and
 - (c) costings for a fence to be installed at Daisy Park; and
- (3) approved funding of £10,000 towards a long-term fix at the Knightswood Park pond.

Northwest Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network - Update noted.

10 There was heard a report by Mrs Lainey Bedingfield, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network (NWGVSN) providing an update on its work, advising

- (1) that there had been an increase in people requiring help with the Biometric Residence Permits, as these required completion by 31st December 2024. This has caused an impact on staffing and costs. <https://www.gov.uk/biometric-residence-permits> ;
- (2) of the continued concerns with regards to the cost of living crisis, the increased demand on services and that some members would be considering fund raising and crowd funding to keep facilities open or to offer additional services;
- (3) on the increase of people suffering from fuel poverty and having to rely on food banks within the ward; and
- (4) that they were dealing with more residents having been sanctioned by Department of Works and Pensions.

After consideration, the partnership noted the report and thanked Mrs Bedingfield for the update.

Findings from the Health and Wellbeing survey – Consideration continued.

11 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of a ward update by North West Health Improvement Team, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership to a future meeting.