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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership

Garscadden/Scotstounhill Area Partnership

Report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration & Sustainability

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Local Parks and Open Spaces Update

Purpose of Report:

To provide the Area Partnership with an update on the Local Parks and Open Space Fund.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to note the contents of this report and approve the recommendations

1. Introduction and progress to date

- 1.1 Glasgow City Council allocated £3 million to Area Partnerships across the city for investment in Parks and Open Spaces over 2021/22 & 2022/23. This report is to provide members an update on each allocated project within the ward and to advise on any further steps to be taken.
- 1.2 It should be noted that 328 projects have been approved on an ongoing basis since year 1 of this fund. Whilst the Service is placing focus on delivering these within desired timescales, these will be subject to resource pressures within the Service, alongside daily operational requirements. Where possible, the Service has been engaging with partners to grant award monies for project delivery where appropriate, to support community empowerment and local capacity building.

2. Knightswood Park Pond

- 2.1 Following earlier works the department continues to monitor water levels and wildlife welfare matters at this location. Water levels continue to be maintained at the level of the overflow, i.e. in or near their expected maximum. We'll continue monitoring water levels and wildlife welfare and retain the measuring gauge in place to assist us in this activity. We would expect water levels to drop slightly over summer months due to a reduction in rainfall and an increase in evaporation.

3. Parks and Open Spaces Fund

- 3.1 The following table provides updates to approved projects from 21/22 and 22/23.

3.2 2021/22

Location	Proposal	Budget Allocated	Status
Knightswood Park	New access point proposed into the park from Paladin Avenue which would provide access from the adjacent care home. Works would include new entrance opened up in the railings, pedestrian road barrier and new 30m stretch of tarmac footpath to meet existing golden gravel path	£14,800	Complete
Knightswood Park	Paladin Avenue - New access point proposed into park which would provide access the towpath, schools and Great Western Road. New entrance added to railings, and new 30m section of tarmac	£10,000	A more detailed site survey of levels, utilities and existing trees had identified that

	footpath, and associated vegetation management and new tree planting		these works would incur excessive costs, and a recommendation reached that the scope of works to the other Paladin Avenue entrance, and to the first phase of footpath works to Knightswood Park be enhanced, in order to utilise these sums in support of the aims of the project which were originally discussed with community representatives, with these works now complete.
Knightswood Park	First phase of works to upgrade surface and widen existing golden gravel path to 1.8m tarmac path- 150 linear metres	£16,200	Complete
Knightswood Park	Adjacent to burn- creation of wildflower meadows and extending the current woodland habitat	£3700	Complete
Knightswood Park	Installation of 4 benches	£1800	Contractor appointed and benches ordered for a citywide programme of works being rolled out across Winter 2025/26
Yoker Cycle Path	New finger signage at to promote active travel- route from South Street past Pleas Street	£4800	Reallocated towards Knightswood Park Food Hub
Greenspace at Danes Drive and Kingsway	Greenspace works, including planting and bench installations.	£18,000	Some tree works complete. Bench installation and

			planting to be done, Contractor appointed and benches ordered for a citywide programme of works being rolled out across Winter 2025/26
Knightswood Park	Habitat creation work with partner organisations	£15,000	Complete

3.3 2022/23

Location	Proposal	Budget Allocated	Status
Clyde Walkway near Ellerslie Path	Planting works to 220m long stretch of embankment to improve biodiversity and colour.	£18,400	Complete
Knightswood	Contribution towards a wider funding package and will form the subject of further engagement with Friends of Knightswood Park and local food groups in relation to deliver a Food Hub to include growing, food distribution and addressing food poverty.	£50,000	A breakdown of costs for Phase 1 is as follows, to provide a mixture of raised bed and in-ground growing: Raised beds £13,570 Compost: £7650 Path installation: £20,780 Tree thinning: £3000 Shipping container: £5000 A response from a statutory consultee, expected in

			March 2026 will clarify whether the preferred plot is considered feasible, or whether we would proceed with our reserve plot nearby. Work to bring together new and existing growers locally, and to deliver works on the ground, could then be delivered within 2026/27
Yoker Cycle Path	Additional phase of new finger signage at to promote active travel , with additional 6 locations to build on the locations put forward within 2021/22 by the Glasgow Eco Trust	£7200	Reallocated to the Food Hub

4. Recommendation

4.1 The Area Partnership is asked to note this report.