

LANGSIDE AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 4th November 2025, City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Holly Bruce (Chair); Councillor Stephen Docherty; and Councillor Paul Leinster, Glasgow City Council; Chris Tait, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Judith Pollock, Mount Florida Community Council; Marion McMillan, Cathcart and District Housing Association; Diane Osprey, Langside, Battlefield and Camphill Community Council; Patricia Cahill, Sanctuary Housing Association; Kevin Watson, Toryglen Community Council; and Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Councillor Susan Aitken, Glasgow City Council; Station Commander Douglas Millar, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Inspector Chris Thomson, Police Scotland; Debbie Fleming, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Eveline McNair, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Graham Stark, Langside, Battlefield and Camphill Community Council; and Hugh Mutagh, Queen's Park Bowling Club.

Attending: A Wyber (Clerk); D Speirs (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and N McNair (Glasgow Life).

Minutes of previous meeting approved etc.

1 The minutes of 2nd September 2025 were submitted and approved, subject to the Partnership

- (1) agreeing to re-consider at its next meeting, the Neighbourhood, Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) funding allocations made to Community Councils within the Langside Ward; and
- (2) noting that Langside, Battlefield and Camphill Community Council had intimated its support for the allocation of £121,666 of NIFF funding towards the refurbishment of Langside Halls.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding the membership of this Partnership, advising that

- (1) Hester Wylde was now the co-opted representative for the South East Integration Network, replacing Jess Steele and that the substitute representative position was currently vacant; and

- (2) Harry Murtagh had been nominated as the representative for Queen's Park Bowling Club and that the substitute representative position was currently vacant.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) - Update noted etc.

3 With reference to the minutes of 2nd September 2025 noting an update on the progress in relation to the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF), there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing a further update on the matter,

- (1) advising
- (a) that in terms of the Council's Standing Orders, which set out the procurement process in relation to the purchase of goods, services and works by or on behalf of the Council, NIIF proposals should not be costed by external contractors or suppliers before submission, and only costed by officers in Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS);
 - (b) that NIIF could not be awarded directly to suppliers or contractors who had been engaged with directly by Community Councils, local organisations or Area Partnership members;
 - (c) that in cases where local organisations had provided their own quotes from contractors and when the Area Partnership had approved NRS to also provide an estimate, these ideas could not be progressed to costing by NRS and NIIF could not be awarded;
 - (d) of an update in relation to the funding of murals through NIIF, as detailed in the report; and
 - (e) that as this funding was capital expenditure it could be carried forward to be spent in future financial years, but that funding should ideally be fully committed by 31st March 2027;
- (2) detailing in the appendices to the report, the report submitted to the meeting of this Partnership on 3rd September 2024 which outlined the criteria for the fund, a breakdown of spend and estimates sent for approval for each Area Partnership and the updated NIIF Community/Area Partnership Guidance which had been circulated to Partnership members in January 2025.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

- (a) the report; and

- (b) that a full NIIF report would be presented to the next meeting of this Partnership and would include estimates and progress updates on previously approved NIIF spend.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund – Update of estimated costs noted – Funding for regeneration of play park at Glenmore Avenue approved - Instruction to Head of Policy and Corporate Governance - Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) regarding the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF)

- (1) detailing the list of updated estimated costs for projects which had been considered at this Area Partnership on 2nd September 2025; and
- (2) proposing that further consideration be given to the estimated proposals and to allocating further NIIF funding projects.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
 - (i) the report; and
 - (ii) that Mr Graham Stark, Langside, Battlefield and Camphill Community Council would forward to Ms Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability their list of priorities for funding from the NIIF fund;
 - (iii) that Mr Kevin Watson, Toryglen Community Council would forward to Ms Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability further information in relation to project No 07-064 – installation of planters/greenery at Prospecthill Circus; and
 - (iv) that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability would provide to the next meeting details of the cost of a full assessment in relation to project No 07-059 – regeneration of play park at Kerrylamont play area and would explore the possibility of securing funding from the Scottish Government Play Renewal Fund for the project; and
- (b) approved £89,200 for project No 07-058 – regeneration of play park at Glenmore Avenue upgrade and that £10,800 of funding for the project would be met from the Scottish Government Play Renewal Fund;
- (c) requested the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

- (i) to ensure that that in future all reports regarding NIIF funding proposals be presented in order of their unique reference number; and
 - (ii) to provide options for street trees to its meeting on 3rd February 2026 meeting; and
- (d) instructed the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance to identify the community council for each NIIF project/proposal within the Langside Ward.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) update noted.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) providing an update on the progress of the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) and governance arrangements, advising

- (3) that a report was submitted to Area Partnerships in August 2024 outlining the criteria of the NIIF and a process was agreed to ensure that all NIIF decisions were aligned to external audit requirements, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;
- (4) that between May and July 2025, NRS had prepared detailed NIIF reports for each area partnership that included estimates for proposed NIIF ideas and spend to date, with estimated costs for NIIF ideas presented to the August/September 2025 meetings totalling £13,070,936.78 in estimates, that was more than half of the NIIF budget;
- (5) of a breakdown of spend and estimates that had been considered for approval at each area partnership, as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report;
- (6) that NRS were currently formalising appropriate governance arrangements for the funding of murals through NIIF and were working closely with procurement colleagues to agree an approach for the delivery of murals; and
- (7) of the procurement legislation, continued management of the NIIF process and governance arrangements, as detailed in Appendix 3 of the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) requested that graffiti art be taken into consideration in the approach for the delivery of murals.

Date and time of next meeting noted etc.

5 It was noted that the next meeting would take place on Tuesday, 3rd February 2026 at 1400 hours and that details of the location of the meeting would be confirmed at a later date.