

NEWLANDS/AULDBURN AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Glasgow, 4th April 2025.

Newlands/Auldburn Area Partnership.

- Present:** Councillor Sean Ferguson (Chair), Councillor Stephen Curran and Councillor Leòdhas Massie, Glasgow City Council; Inspector James McFarlane, Police Scotland; Station Commander Martine Barr, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Lesley Ann Currie, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Sandra Fusari, Mansewood and Hillpark Community Council; Jade Graham, Newlands and Aulhouse Community Council; Anna Greene, Carnwadric WIN Project; Amanda O'Donoghue, Hillpark Secondary School Parent Council and Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.
- Apologies:** Siobhan Boyle, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership, and Julie Brown, Mansewood Community Centre.
- Attending:** C Birrell (Clerk); and H McMillan (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

- 1** The minutes of 31st January 2025 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 providing an update regarding membership of this Partnership, advising

- (1) that Voluntary Sector Voice was no longer represented;
- (2) that David Kerr was no longer the nominated representative for Pollokshaws/Eastwood Community; and
- (3) of the current membership of the Partnership, as detailed in the report.

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

- 3** 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 Newlands/Auldburn Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £66,248 and that £3,000 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £63,248; and
- (3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 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>
GSC Auldhuse Ltd	Towards the costs for a 12-week pilot of free Friday night football and coffee machine for the facility to assist in the development of a drop-in café for locals	Awarded £2,201
St Vincent Primary School	Towards the costs of a residential trip for 45 children to Glencoe Outdoor Centre	Awarded £1,350
Hillpark Parent Council	Towards the costs of bus hire for 29 young people to take them to Manchester Airport as part of their trip to Malawi	Awarded £1,000
Glasgow Life Southside Stars	Towards the costs of a joint programme between Southside Stars and The Pearce Institute for a week long celebration of young people's talent in dance, drama and music	Awarded £500
Pollokshaws Bowling Club	Towards the costs of creating a path and ramp for wheelchair users/prams and other people using walking aids to access the club	Consideration continued
Cathcart and District Community Council	Towards the costs of a programme of events for 2024/25	Awarded £922

Ashpark Primary School	Towards the costs to purchase an agility cube for the playground	Awarded £6,625
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Police Scotland ward update noted.

4 There was heard a report by Inspector James McFarlane, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership that

- (1) Newlands Division had received 1,120 calls for the period 31st January 2025 to 4th April 2025;
- (2) local actions plans were in place in respect of the April holidays and the traditional 'School Leaver' celebrations in April which would be delivered by the campus officers from the respective schools in the area and the Local Problem-Solving Teams at Pollok and Govan;
- (3) a dedicated unit had been established to tackle retail crime throughout Scotland, following a £3m funding allocation from the Scottish Government, the Retail Crime Taskforce was created to address the rise in offences, such as shoplifting; and
- (4) on 27th March, Chief Constable Jo Farrell outlined progress on the first year of her three-year business plan and committed to driving a second phase of police reform in 2025-26 and speaking at the Scottish Police Authority Board meeting in Edinburgh, Chief Constable Farrell highlighted
 - (a) the start of a national roll out of body worn video and progress in achieving efficiencies in the wider criminal justice service and in relation to supporting people in mental health distress; and
 - (b) that the budget for policing for 2025-26 allowed the Service to recruit officers to an establishment of around 16,500 while also modernising the workforce to release experienced officers to roles which require warranted powers.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (i) noted the report; and
- (ii) requested that Inspector McFarlane pass on the thanks and gratitude of the Partnership to Constable Tanya Honeyman for her extensive work in the community which went above and beyond her formal role.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

5 There was heard a report by Station Commander, Martine Barr, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, advising the Partnership

- (1) of the incidents that had taken place in the Newlands Ward over the last quarter which included 17 fires, 29 special services, 42 false alarms and 1 fatality;
- (2) that there had been 14 unwanted fire alarm signals, which 7 from Pollok House, 6 from Newlands Road Children's home and one other; and
- (3) that the Resilience Learning Partnership would be providing trauma training to the community upon request and the contact email for this would be circulated after the meeting.

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 on activity within the Ward, advising

- (1) that the 1st edition of the Partnership Matters Briefing for 2025 could be found at <https://glasgowcity.hscp.scot/newsletter/partnership-matters-januaryfebruary-2025>;
- (2) that the Glasgow City Health Improvement Training Calendar would run from April to June 2025 and offered different levels of training on a range of subjects from at various levels and that further information and booking details could be accessed via <https://www.nhsggc.scot/your-health/public-health/health-improvement/glasgow-city-hscp-health-improvement/training-calendar/>;
- (3) of the GCHSCP Cost of Living Support Guide which provided easy access to available supports across Glasgow and was presented under various themes and a link to the guide could be found at <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/JybLXvWE5NmGowSX?ref=email>;
- (4) of the areas that had been focused on throughout the review and development of the carers service throughout 2024/25;
- (5) an update on the Diabetes and Intermediate Care programmes; and
- (6) of the progress on the Health, Exercise and Nutrition for the Really Young (HENRY) approach programme.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) update noted etc.

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

- (1) of the background to the £1m NIIF programme;
- (2) that in December 2024, a small team of staff were tasked with reviewing the current process for NIIF and the backlog of requests already received, as well as devising clear guidance and processes for its management going forward;
- (3) that a review of information held within Area Partnership minutes, NRS and across Council services had been carried out to allow a full breakdown of current committed spend, new proposals still to be costed and spend to date to be collated;
- (4) that some proposals previously discussed at Partnership meetings had been included in the report but had yet to be progressed to NRS for estimated costs and requested that the Partnership reviewed the information and confirmed that projects had been approved and should now be referred to NRS;
- (5) of the criteria for the fund, as detailed in appendix 1 to the report, and that all NIIF proposals must be approved at an Area Partnership meeting before being passed to NRS to be costed;
- (6) that NRS Neighbourhood Liaison Managers would attend each meeting to present the report produced by NRS and record all approved new proposals on an agreed template to be used internally by NRS;
- (7) that general enquiries but not proposals could be emailed to the NIIF mailbox at NIIFEnquiries@glasgow.gov.uk; and
- (8) of the NIIF proposals to date, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) agreed the projects that should be taken forward and costed by NRS before the next meeting.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) – Community engagement update noted etc.

8 With reference to the minutes of 31st January 2025 noting an update regarding the next stages for community engagement on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) and agreeing various action, there was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance providing a further update regarding the matter, advising

- (1) that the purpose of the report was to bring ideas for spending the NIIF that had been generated by communities to the Partnership for consideration;

- (2) that those ideas that the Partnership wished to go forward to the next stage would be assessed and costed by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) and brought to a future meeting when the Partnership would be asked to allocate funding;
- (3) of the next stages of the NIIF, as detailed in the report;
- (4) that community representatives had been gathering ideas for costing using a template based on the detail that NRS required and that when read alongside the previous agenda item on a progress update on the NIIF, the Partnership was able to see these ideas alongside any ideas that had already been costed, or costed and approved;
- (5) of all the ideas that had been gathered so far for the Newlands and Auldburn ward, as detailed in an appendix to the report, which had come from local community councils, other community organisations, Local Place Plans and Liveable Neighbourhoods;
- (6) that if the ideas list was fairly short and covered the ward well, the Partnership could agree to submit those ideas for costing, however, if the list was quite lengthy and the Partnership was unable to shortlist it, it could be followed up with an informal meeting to prioritise ideas to get the list to a manageable size in advance of the next Partnership meeting; and
- (7) that the Partnership also needed to consider how it intended to make decisions about what to fund and choose one of the options, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) the projects that should go forward to the next stage to be assessed and costed by NRS.