

**NORTH EAST AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.**

Minutes of meeting held on 25th April 2025, by video conference

**Present:** Ruairi Kelly (Chair), Sharon Greer and Donna McGill, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Stephen Gow, Police Scotland; Chloe Heyburn, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; James Dean, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Stephen Orr, Garthamlock, Craigend & Gartloch Community Council; Denise McGuigan, Ruchazie Community Council; Maureen Ferrie, GESH; and Lynda O'Neill, Blairtummock and Rogerfield Partnership.

**Attending:** D Brand (Clerk); A Martin and D Speirs (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance) and C Mooney (for Glasgow Life).

**Minutes of previous meeting approved - Dissent.**

**1** The minutes of 7th February 2025 were submitted and approved, Stephen Orr dissenting.

**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 membership of this Partnership, advising that

- (1) that following a by-election, Councillor Donna McGill had been elected to this Partnership;
- (2) Chloe Hayburn had been nominated as the representative for Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership and Debbie Clark had been nominated as the substitute representative;
- (3) Hazel Holmes had been nominated as the substitute representative for GESH; and
- (4) Sergeant David Leslie was no longer the substitute representative for Police Scotland, and that this position was currently vacant.

**Police Scotland ward update noted.**

**3** There was heard a report by Inspector Stephen Gow, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership

- (1) of the increased patrols in the 5 top locations affected by shoplifting;

- (2) of the ongoing issues relating to off-road bikes and e-bikes and that in some instances anti-social behaviour orders had been issued;
- (3) of the increased patrols and proactive approach in parks to deal with youth disorder, and that incidents had reduced in the recent holiday period; and
- (4) that the service had received complaints relating to the filming/photographing of children in parks, and that all reports had been investigated thoroughly and that no criminality had taken place.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) thanked Inspector Gow for the update and all the work carried out by Police Scotland within the ward; and
- (b) raised a number of questions and concerns that were addressed by Inspector Gow.

#### **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service – Consideration continued.**

**4** The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of an update by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service regarding the current issues and incidents in the ward to a future meeting of this partnership, and requested that a report be circulated to member of the Partnership going forward.

#### **Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) update noted etc.**

**5** 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](mailto: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;
- (b) highlighted some proposals that were to be removed from the list and some which were business as usual, therefore not applicable to be funded by NIIF; and
- (c) agreed that
  - (i) all proposals, as detailed in the report, needed to be discussed in more detail; and
  - (ii) the Chair would arrange an informal meeting for Partners to take place within the next 2 weeks to prioritise ideas, and that proposals would be fed back to NRS officers for costing.

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

**6** With reference to the minutes of 11th February 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 North East 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) agreed for the ideas listed on the table to be sent for costing.

#### **Area Budget 2024/2025 - Final monitoring statement noted – Request to Head of Policy and Corporate Governance.**

7 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the Area Budget for 2024/2025, providing a final monitoring statement in relation to projects previously funded, advising

- (1) that £85,291.71 had been allocated to various projects in the North East Ward, which left an unallocated balance of £2,902.73; and
- (2) requested that the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance make a request to the City Treasurer and City Convener for Financial Inclusion to be reimbursed with the underspend.

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

8 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 North East Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £88,194 and that £1,000 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £87,194; and
- (3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2025/26.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
  - (i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2025/26; and
  - (ii) an application by Create Your Dream that was ineligible for funding, 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>
*Greater Easterhouse Supporting Hands	Towards the costs of a community fair day for residents to be held in GESH community centre in late summer 2025	Awarded £5,000
**Garthamlock Development Trust	Towards the start up of its organisation and its programme of works	Awarded £7,836 which had been amended to include £900 requested for energy costs
84 <sup>th</sup> Glasgow Girls Event	Towards the costs of a residential trip for young girls to PGL Dalguise Outdoor Activity Centre from the 16 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Awarded £1,000
***St George and St Peter Association	Towards the costs of a residential trip for 30 older people on a 5 day trip to Scarborough in June	Awarded £1,000
****Provanhall Community Management	Towards the costs of delivering a seasonal community even programme to support 6 days of promenade style theatre performances across the Provan Hall area	Awarded £5,000

Easterhouse Henosis	Towards the costs of organising a multi-partner rave style event aimed at addressing anti-social behaviour and social isolation	Awarded £4,922
*****Garthamlock, Gartlock and Craigend Community Council	Towards the costs of organising 3 community events across the community council boundary	Awarded £5,380
*****Ceann Creige	Towards the costs of various events for young people	Awarded £719
*****Brighter East End	Towards the costs of a residential trip to Alton Towers for the September weekend (26th to 28th September) for 24 young people who engage in the BEE programme.	Awarded £1,000
East End Recovery Sunday	Towards the costs of various events and new equipment for the group	Awarded £4,600
*****Blairtummock & Rogerfield Opportunities	Towards the costs of supporting the transformation of the derelict Rogerfield Primary School site into a vibrant community asset	Consideration continued to allow officers to contact the applicant to discuss other funding options that may be available to them and to speak to seven lochs officer about other projects in works at site
*****St Pauls Youth Forum	Towards the costs of employing a community gardener for 7 hours a week and for material costs	Awarded £7,346 but noted comments on a similar application being requested last year
*****Molendinar Family Learning Centre	Towards the costs of providing waterproof clothing for children to access outdoor activities daily at the centre	Awarded £4,724

\*Maureen Ferrie declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

\*\*Stephen Orr declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

\*\*\*Lynda O'Neill declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

\*\*\*\*Councillor Kelly, Councillor Greer and James Dean declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon. Councillor McGill chaired the meeting for this item of business only.

\*\*\*\*\*Stephen Orr declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

\*\*\*\*\*Denise McGuigan declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

\*\*\*\*\*Lynda O'Neill declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

\*\*\*\*\*Councillor McGill declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

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