VICTORIA PARK AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 9th September 2026, City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present:	Councillor Lana Reid-McConnell (Chair) and Eunis Jassemi Glasgow City Council; Inspector Alex Marshall, Police Scotland; Elaine Hindle, Broomhill Community Council; Dr Catherine Benton MBE, Jordanhill Community Council; Seamus-Padraic Gallagher, Thornwood Community Council and Colin McGeoch, Whiteinch Community Council.
Apology:	Station Commander George Winters, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.
Attending:	C Chisholm (Clerk); T Monaghan (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); M McColgan, J McDonald and R Strachan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 15th April 2026 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 the membership of this Partnership, advising that Station Commander George Winters had been nominated as the representative for Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, replacing Station Commander Kenneth McSwan.

Variation to order of business approved.

3 The Partnership agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

4 The Chair having agreed to accept an additional item of business in view of the timescale, there was heard a report by Inspector Alex Marshall, Police Scotland, advising

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of the current progress that Police Scotland were making within the ward and of the current statistics in relation to incidents within the ward;

(2) of road safety issues within the Car Free School Zone areas and that these continued to be monitored; and

(3) the ongoing issues around e-bikes and electric scooters.

Festive Lighting 2026/27 update noted – Funding approved

5 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding festive lighting within the Ward, of the central funding of £3,600 available to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting and the proposed costs and locations advising

(1) of the 2025/26 festive displays and switch-on events and asking the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2026/27 programme;

(2) that the Partnership should notify NRS of any locations for a proposed switch on event for either a Christmas or natural tree;

(3) that members should approve the necessary funding for any additional costs over and above the central funding;

(4) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be deducted from the Victoria Park Area Partnership 2026/27 Area Budget allocation; and

(5) NRS had been informed that the current Horticultural Contract, which included the supply of Christmas Trees, had come to an end whilst the Councils Procurement team would establish a new framework to invite suppliers to tender, and as such this may now impact the cost of Christmas Trees by 15% to 20%.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved the total additional funding of £12,050 to be deducted from the Partnership's area budget fund.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) update noted etc – Funding approved - Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

6 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 that

(1) the NIIF provided an opportunity to implement participatory budgeting at a scale with an approved budget that was set in 2021/22 of £23 million and that £1 million of this was allocated to each ward;

(2) this funding was capital expenditure and therefore could be carried forward to be spent in future financial years, although should be fully committed by March 2027; and

(3) of the progress to date, as detailed in appendix 1 of this report.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) approved

(i) Ref No 12-006 - installation of CCTV at Edzell Street; and

(ii) Ref No 12-007 - Installation of CCTV at Fore Street;

(c) agreed to remove

(i) Ref No 12-029 - installation of new traffic crossing between the rear of the Cala Development;

(ii) Ref No 12-037 - improve driveway access only at MUGA on Thornwood Drive;

(iii) Ref No 12-012 – improve quality of pedestrian underpasses to/from Victoria Park;

(iv) Ref No 12-041 - improve quality of 2 pedestrian underpasses with improved maintenance for drainage at 14 Victoria Park South and cycle route at 7 Dumbarton Road/Primrose Court under the A814 – as it would be completed under business as usual;

(v) Ref No 12-042 - improve quality of 2 pedestrian underpasses and ensure wall/roof surfaces were secure and refresh paintwork at 14 Victoria Park South and cycle route at 7 Dumbarton Road/Primrose Court under the A814 - as it would be completed under business as usual; and

(vi) Ref No 12-043 - improve quality of lighting at the 2 pedestrian underpasses at 14 Victoria Park South and cycle route at 7 Dumbarton Road/Primrose Court under the A814 - as it would be completed under business as usual;

(d) requested the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability

(i) arrange a site visit in relation to

(A) Ref No 12-023 - assess safety measures around entrance and exit point of Broomhill Primary School and provide revised costing;

(B) Ref No 12-028 - resurfacing of roads and paths on Woodend Drive on southside from Chamberlain Road to Crow Road and Essex Drive to Beresford Avenue and provide revised costings;

(C) Ref No 12-047 - repaving of pathways at Crow Road to Clarence Drive in conjunction with roads officers and provide revised costings, clarification on what is meant by "flexible material" and whether the proposed pavement resurfacing works on Crow Road would include the areas currently occupied by outdoor seating associated with local businesses;

(ii) provide costings in relation to

(A) Ref No 12-035 - installation of a proper entrance next to the MUGA at Thornwood Drive;

(B) Ref No 12-036 – resurfacing of the slope for vehicle access at MUGA on Thornwood Drive;

(C) Ref No 12-044 – 2 murals to improve quality of 2 pedestrian underpasses with space for public art;

(D) Ref No 12-040 - create a safe walking route through Scotstoun Street, Fore Street and Primrose Street with links to the cycle path at St Pauls Primary School; and

(E) Ref No 12-046 - pedestrian safety - Junction redesign – requirement for a crossing point; and

(iii) provide clarification for Ref No 12-025 on what sections of the cycle lanes in Jordanhill that would be repainted or required to be repainted;

(iv) provide clarification for Ref No 12-010 on the drainage feasibility repair cost as the cost is the same as allocated sums; and

(v) arrange a meeting with Network Rail to discuss whether they can assist with the improvements to the existing paths in relation to Ref No 12-030; and

(e) agreed to continue for consideration

(i) Ref No 12-014 - improve quality of pedestrian underpasses to/from Victoria Park at Broomhill corner of Balshagray Avenue and Broomhill Terrace connecting to Dumbarton Road;

(ii) Ref No 12-033 - raised red bitumen for the crossing of Noval Street in order that pedestrians had 1 continuous pavement; and

(iii) Ref No 12-023 - assess safety measures around entrance and exit points of Broomhill Primary School.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund - Community Engagement update noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

7 There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, providing a list of ideas for funding from the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund that had been submitted by community organisations within the ward.

After consideration, the Partnership

(1) agreed to submit the following ideas for costings,

(a) purchase and installation of a permanent concrete table tennis table in Naseby Play Park, adjacent to the existing children's play area;

(b) purchase and installation of benches at the Marlborough Gardens Oval;

(c) lighting issues within Naseby Park;

(d) improve paths and lighting within Broomhill Community Park;

(e) road and pavement resurfacing on Smith Street;

(f) road and pavement resurfacing on Primrose Street;

(g) installation of 2 BBQ benches in Victoria Park;

(h) the traffic calming hump at the Clyde Tunnel on the north side of Dumbarton Road;

(i) improvement to Whiteinch Cross to compliment ongoing community-led initiatives, including the installation of a lights stage growing wall, planters and benches;

(j) costings for traffic calming measures around St Thomas Aquinas to reduce traffic congestion;

(k) speed management measures on Southbrae Drive - Jordanhill Community Council supported the investigation of the installation of a vehicle activated speed display sign to encourage lower vehicle speeds and improve pedestrian safety;

(l) nature trail lighting – costings to provide low-level, wildlife-sensitive lighting along the darker sections of the trial, improving safety and accessibility during the winter months;

(m) potential improvements to the green space at Broomhill Drive; and

(n) improvements to Broomhill Lane leading to Thornwood Drive; and

(2) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability arrange a meeting with Wheatley Homes Glasgow to discuss potential options in relation to improving the pathways and lighting within Broomhill Community Park.

Area Budget 2026/27 – Applications for funding dealt with etc – Declaration of interests.

8 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 12th March 2026, when the committee approved the 2026/27 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 2026/27;

(2) that the Victoria Park Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2026/27 was £60,381 and that a total of £17,446 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £43,260; and

(3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2026/76.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2026/27; and

(ii) the 3 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:

Applicant	*Purpose of application*	*Decision*

The DRC Youth Project	Towards the cost of the continuation with the extra street diversionary and recovery work for vulnerable YP within Whiteinch/Victoria Park	Awarded £6,000
*The Whiteinch Centre	Towards the costs of delivering Drama and Science STEM workshops for young people	Awarded £3,720
**Whiteinch Community Council	Towards the costs to commission a high-quality mural on the tower at Whiteinch Cross	Awarded £3,935
St Pauls Primary School	Towards the cost to deliver free piping and drumming tuition targeting P5-P6 pupils at St Pauls Primary School and continuing S1 pupils at St Thomas Aquinas Secondary School	Awarded £2,120
Westbourne Gardens Nursery	Towards the cost of purchasing nursery play equipment to enhance play provision	Awarded £6,147

*Councillor Lana Reid-McConnell declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision; and

**Colin McGeoch declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision.