Item 1

18th April 2023

GARSCADDEN/SCOTSTOUNHILL AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 7th February 2023 at Yoker Resource Centre, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Malcolm Mitchell (Chair), Councillor Bill Butler, Councillor Chris Cunningham, and Councillor Eva Murray, Glasgow City Council; Sandra Barber, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Sandy Busby, Yoker Community Council; Martina Johnstone-Gray, Glasgow North West Voluntary Sector Network; Kenny McCartney, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Frankie O'Rourke, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and Scott Donaldson, Scotstoun Community Council.

Attending: L Handlin (Clerk); L Hendry (for the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities); C Patterson and R Smith (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and A Angus and J Campbell (Jacobs Steer)

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 15th November 2022 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership update noted.

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

(a) Station Commander Kenny McCartney had replaced Station Commander David McGroarty as the representative, and Station Commander Graeme Morrow had replaced Station Commander Paul Tyrell as the substitute representative for the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service;

(b) Inspector Cats Sutherland had retired from Police Scotland and that a new representative would be appointed prior to the next meeting of the Partnership;

(c) Francine O'Rourke had been nominated as the co-opted member for Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and

(d) Robert Smith was no longer the representative for Knightswood Community Council, resulting in a vacancy.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report; and that nominations would be sought to fill the current vacancies on the Partnership, as detailed in the report.

Local Parks and Open Spaces Improvement Fund 2022/23 – Change to funding use approved etc.

3 With reference to the minutes fo 15th November 2022 when the Partnership **r**equested the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability provide a written report to the next meeting of this Partnership and requested that Kingsway Community Connections be consulted regarding the funding allocated for tree planting at Kingsway and Danes Drive as local residents had advised that they would be against this proposal, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the funding allocated from the Local Parks and Open Spaces Improvement fund, advising

(a) of progress and estimated timeframes for the completion of projects agreed from the 2021/22 budget;

(b) that following engagement with Kingsway Community Connections it was proposed that the £18,000 allocated for tree planting within the greenspace at Danes Drive and Kingsway be utilised instead to delvier works to make the entrances more attractive, planting of bulbs, benches, picnic benches and enhancements to the existing footpath network;

(c) that further site visits had taken place with regards to the agreed funding allocation from the 2022/23 budget for Knightswood Park, and that more detailed discussions would take place prior to agreement of the final project proposals.

After consideration, the Partnership

(1) noted the report; and

(2) agreed to the change of use of funds allocated for the greenspace at Danes Drive and Kingsway as detailed in the report.

Glasgow City Region Bus Partnership – Update noted.

4 There was heard a presentation by Chris Patterson, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, Jason Campbell and Ali Angus, Jacobs Steer in relation the Glasgow City Region Bus Partnership (GBP) advising that

(a) Glasgow City Council had a plan to transform the way people got around the city region by improving public transport and that the first round of strategic improvements was being led by the Glasgow Bus Partnership (GBP) which brought together the8 Glasgow City Region local authorities, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport, bus operators and passenger representative groups;

(b) the vision of GBP was of a region where bus services formed part of a network of connectivity by providing safe, affordable and enjoyable connections;

(c) the GBP sought to improve bus priority mechanisms and reduce congestion to improve bus journey times and reliability, and improve the accuracy of real time passenger information;

(d) the GBP would work to ensure that buses would be given higher priority in any future city planning;

(e) the GBP would explore options to introduce an integrated ticketing system;

(f) Stage 1 of the project had concluded in August 2022 where feedback had been sought from key stakeholders on bus travel including the 5 proposed bus corridors;

(g) Stage 2 would continue until March 2023 to develop an outline business case and concept corridor designs;

(h) Stage 3 and Stage 4 were subject to approvals and funding, with drawings and information being finalised in Stage 3 and project delivery planned in Stage 4; and

(i) a number of potential measures had been identified for potential use in the project, as detailed in the presentation.

Yoker Nursery/Sports Centre - Request to the Chief Executive and Executive Director of Education Services.

5 With reference to the minutes of 15th November 2022 when the Partnership agreed to continue consideration of this item to a future meeting of this Partnership, and requested that a meeting be arranged with the Ward Elected Members and the Executive Directors of Education Services and Neighbourhoods, Regeneraration and Sustainability, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Education Services regarding the proposed nursery provision within the building at Yoker Sports Centre advising that

(a) the members of this Partnership had been invited to an informal meeting that had taken place on 16th December 2022, where Education Services advised that there would no longer be a requirement to build a new nursery at the site of Yoker Sports Centre; and

(b) a joint letter from all the Elected Members within the Ward had been sent to the Chief Executive and Executive Director of Education Services to formally request a re-assessment of the decision.

After consideration, the Partnership

(1) noted the update; and

(2) requested that a further meeting be arranged with the Chief Executive, Executive Director of Education Services and the 4 Elected Members of this Ward to discuss re-assessment of the proposals for nursery provision in Yoker.

North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network update noted.

6 There was submitted and noted a report by Martina Johnstone-Gray, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network (NWGVSN) providing an update on its work, advising that

(1) Heart of Scotstoun Community Centre had been unsuccessful in applying for funding from the Glasgow Communities Fund, which could result in vital local services being reduced, and the centre potentially being at risk of closure; and

(2) there had been concerns expressed by local groups that local geography had not been taken into consideration when funds were being allocated.

Police Scotland Update – Consideration continued.

7 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of this item to a future meeting of this Partnership.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - Ward update noted.

8 There was heard and noted an update by Station Commander Kenny McCartney, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS), advising the Partnership of the current issues, incidents and work being carried out within Ward 13 from 1st October until 31st December 2022, advising that

(1) there had been 31 fires, including 14 accidental fires and 17 deliberate fires;

(2) there had been 69 false alarms;

(3) there had been 1 fatality from a road traffic accident and 2 non-fatal casualties; and

(4) the SFRS had carried out 21 community engagement activities during this period of activity.

Area Budget 2022/23 – Current position and applications for funding dealt with – Declaration of interest.

9 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 12th March 2020 (Print 7 Page 527), when the committee agreed the 2022/23 Area Budget allocations as part of a 3-year package of funding, there was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the Area Budget for 2022/23, advising

(1) that the Garscadden Scotstounhill Area Partnership's Area Budget allocation for 2022/23 was £87,055, with an underspend of £49 carried forward which brought the total amount available to £87,104;

(2) that to date Garscadden Scotstounhill Area Partnership had allocated a total of £69,359 (80%) to various projects in the area leaving a balance of £17,697 (20%) unallocated.

(3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget 2022/23.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the position regarding Area Budget allocations 2022/23; and

(b) dealt with the applications for funding as follows, the grant awards being subject to the conditions detailed in the report:-

Applicant	*Purpose of application*	*Decision*
Heart of Scotstoun Community Centre	Towards the cost of purchasing a large metal storage container	Approved £3,024
Kingsway Community Connections	Towards the cost of providing access to a warm space for members of the community	Approved £2,834
Clyde Primary School	Towards the cost of refurbishment of the school library	Approved £3,529
Glasgow ECO Trust	Towards the cost of purchasing new IT equipment	Approved £3,420
Glasgow ECO Trust	Towards the cost of facilitating a celebration and consultation event for local volunteers	Approved £618
Yoker Resource Centre*	Towards the cost of removal of existing light fittings and installation of new floodlighting within the Yoker Resource Centre and Community Campus grounds	Approved £4,272

* Sandy Busby declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion and decision thereon.

Area Budget 2023/24 - Applications for funding dealt with etc.

9 There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities, advising that the Area Budget had still to be agreed by the City Administration Committee and any revisions to Area Budget allocations for 2023/24 would be detailed in a future report. Area Partnerships have the option to approve a portion of funds from their 2023/24 Area Budget at the January/February 2023 cycle of meetings for any projects/services that would take place early in the 2023/24 financial year and any funding recommended will be subject to confirmation of available finances.

After consideration, the Partnership

(1) noted

(a) the current Glasgow City Council budget position on the proposed Area Budget allocations;

(b) the current position on awarding funds from the 2023/24 allocation; and

(c) that time critical awards for up to £500 could be allocated from the 2023/24 budget under existing delegated authority arrangements; and

(2) dealt with the application for funding as follows, the grant awards being subject to the conditions detailed in the report:-

Applicant	*Purpose of application*	*Decision*
Knightswood Gala Committee	Towards the cost of organising Knightswood Park Fun Day 2023	Approved £10,240