Item 6

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership

Linn Area Partnership

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CASTLEMILK LOCALITY PLAN

Purpose of Report:

To inform Linn Area partnership of progress to date on the Castlemilk locality plan.

Recommendations:

Locality planning continues as a standing item on the agenda of Linn Area Partnership,
Linn Area Partnership supports the development of the Castlemilk Locality Plan, with the opportunity to be involved in draft versions of the plan; and
Linn Area Partnerships supports the progression of outcomes that emerge from locality planning.

Ward No(s): 1 Citywide:

Local member(s) advised: Yes ☐ No ☐ consulted: Yes ☐ No ☐

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1 Introduction

1.1 The report provides an update of the activities relating to the development of a locality plan for Castlemilk, and subsequent report at the previous meeting of the partnership on 24 November 2022.

2 Development of Locality Plan

Steering Group

2.1 The steering group continues to meet on a regular basis and the following organisations are members or contribute to the work of the group:

Ardenglen Housing Association
Cassiltoun Housing Association
Castlemilk Community Council
Castlemilk Youth Complex
Fair Deal
Glasgow City Council – Neighbourhood Liaison
Glasgow City Council – Elected Members
Glasgow Life
Northview Housing Association
Scotsman Group
Thenue Communities
Urban Fox
Wheatley Group

Some of the current actions from the action plan include:

- Continue community engagement and surveying with local people,
- Encourage more young people to complete the survey,
- Encourage children to complete the survey,
- Encourage people with additional support needs to complete the survey,
- Encourage people whose first language isn't English to complete the survey,
- Seek the views of people about the survey and plan from different areas, and
- Seek the views of people about the survey and plan from different backgrounds.

2.2 **Community Engagement**

Members of the steering group supported by Council Officers held an information stall at Braes Shopping Centre's Christmas Festival to raise awareness of the community survey and encourage people to get involved in the development of the plan.

The Braes Shopping Centre are temporarily providing a unit to help the steering group engage with the community.

750 leaflets provided to Northview Housing Association to be distributed with their latest newsletter.

2.3 **Community Surveying**

Work to encourage as many people as possible to complete the community survey continues. Glasgow Life staff met with individuals and groups who use Castlemilk Library, the Community Centre and Sports Centre; and over 70 surveys have been completed.

Fair Deal sent link to the survey to 110 local staff members asking them to support the people they support to complete the survey.

An 'Easy Read' version of the survey has been developed for people with additional support needs. 16 surveys have been completed by service users from the COJAC centre.

Cassiltoun Explorers Wildlife Watch Group and Primary 6 and 7 children from St John Paul II Primary helped to develop a children's version of the survey. 65 surveys have been completed by children from St John Paul II Primary.

It has been proposed that surveying will continue into February 2023 to allow more children and young people more opportunities to complete the survey.

Through the Tenant Participation Surveys, 424 partially completed surveys have been provided by Cassiltoun Housing.

The number of surveys returned as of 09 November 22, is as follows:

Fully Completed	380
Partially Completed	269
Total Responses	**649**

The number of surveys returned as of 26 January 23, is as follows:

Fully Completed	604
Partially Completed	304
Total Responses	**916**

The Steering Group have agreed to extend the cut of date for surveying to 16 Feb 23 to allow more meaningful surveying of children, young people and people whose first language isn't English.

The Council's Locality Planning Officer is liaising with the Data Analysis Team regarding the analysis of the information. A six-week lead in time is required in terms of preparation once the surveying is completed.

2.4 **Focus Groups**

An initial focus group session took place at the Maureen Cope Hall, facilitated by Fiona McGovern, Ardenglen Hosing Association. The participants included refugees, asylum seekers, single parents, families and older people.

Information was provided about the background to the Locality Plan and the history of community involvement in shaping and improving Castlemilk over the years. Participants completed surveys and took fliers to pass on to neighbours.

3 Recommendations

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