**Item 1**

**30th August 2023**

# PARTICK EAST/KELVINDALE AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 12th April 2023, at The Annexe Communities, 9A Stewartville Street, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Blair Anderson (Chair); and Councillor Kenny McLean, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Mhairi Crawford, Police Scotland; Station Commander Kenneth McCartney, Scottish Fire Rescue Service; Lyndsay Thomson, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Jane Cowie, Third Sector Interface Network; David Nicholson, Claythorn Community Council; Lionel Most, Dowanhill, Hyndland and Kelvinside Community Council; Frances Manley, Partick Community Council; and Francine O'Rourke, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Councillor Jill Brown and Councillor Lilith Johnstone, Glasgow City Council.

Attending: P Yule (Clerk); N Chauhdry and S Anderson (for the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities); J Telford (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

## Minutes of previous meeting approved.

**1** The minutes of 1st February 2023 were submitted and approved.

## Infrastructure Improvement Fund - Update noted.

**2** There was submitted and noted a report by Francine O'Rourke, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) providing an update on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund, advising that

(1) the allocated £1m of investment for the ward was capital expenditure that could be carried forward to be spent in future financial years;

(2) options presented could be circulated to Community Councils and other Partnership organisations for their feedback, with additional suggestions welcomed to inform the process moving forward; and

(3) NRS was keen to support the process to pull together a formula costing template to assist the Partnership with decision making and that the intention of the fund would be spent on physical improvements within the community.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed that

(i) an informal meeting would be arranged with NRS prior to the next Partnership meeting to discuss potential projects; and

(ii) NRS officers would collate a list of proposed projects to submit a more detailed report on the breakdown of costings for proposed projects.

**Festive Lighting Programme 2023/24 – Funding approved.**

**3** There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) regarding the 2023/24 Festive Lighting Programme, advising

(1) that each Area Partnership had been awarded £3,600 central funding to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting;

(2) of the festive lighting location for the ward, delivered as part of the 2022/23 programme, as detailed in the report;

(3) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2023/24 festive lighting programme, and the cost to repeat the 2022/23 programme in 2023/24, as detailed in the report;

(4) that the Partnership would be able to nominate additional or alternative festive lighting locations to those delivered as part of the 2023/24 programme, and that should any new location be proposed, NRS required notification by the next meeting of this Partnership meeting to allow the feasibility and cost of the new locations to be assessed;

(5) that the Partnership would be invited to identify locations where a switch on event was proposed for either a Christmas tree or a natural tree and that column mounted features would come on at the same time as the street lights on the day of installation; and

(6) that if the total cost of the delivery of the festive lighting programme selected by the Area Partnership exceeded the £3,600 central funding, the balance of the funding would require to be met by the Area Partnership from other funds.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the 2022/23 festive lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2023/24 programme; and

(b) agreed

(i) the funding of the project at Byres Road, this being natural tress with

fixed lights, totalling £275 at an additional cost to be met from the Partick East/Kelvindale Area Budget fund on the condition that this would only be if no road works were around the location of lights; and

(ii) that the community representatives would meet with Community Council members if they wished to identify new locations for the festive lighting fund or to continue with a repeat of the 2022/23 programme in 2023/24.

**Parking in Ward 23 update noted - Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

**4** There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the enforcement of controlled parking zones within the Partick East/Kelvindale Ward, advising

(1) of the enforcement activity regarding Penalty Charge Notices (PCN) and street visits, as detailed in the report; and

(2) of the PCN that had been issued within the Ward, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report and thanked Mr Telford for the update;

(b) raised a number of questions that were addressed by Mr Telford; and

(c) highlighted parking concerns due to the re-opening of Anniesland College and requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability increase the number of enforcement officers around the Anniesland College area.

**Variation in order of business noted.**

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

**Police Scotland ward update noted.**

**6** There was heard a report by Inspector Mhairi Crawford, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership

(1) of the current progress that Police Scotland was making within the ward in relation to crime and anti-social behaviour;

(2) that bike thefts continued to be an issue and that bike marking events were being conducted within the ward that would continue over the coming months;

(3) of the increase of catalytic converters being stolen and that officers continued to monitor this;

(4) that road safety remained a local policing priority with officers continuing to conduct road safety action plans targeting hot spots, in particular around the Car Free Zones area at Thornwood Primary School and Hyndland Primary School and that officers would continue, where possible, to engage with drivers providing education with road safety matters and enforcing road traffic legislation where appropriate; and

(5) that officers continued to monitor issues regarding domestic abuse and hate crime as a high priority.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Inspector Crawford for all the work carried out by Police Scotland in the ward.

**Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.**

**7** There was heard a report by Station Commander Kenneth McCartney, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 4, from 1st January to 31st March 2023, advising the Partnership

(1) that the Service had attended 95 incidents within the ward, 65 false alarms, 3 water rescue, 11 Special Services, 44 of which had been unwanted fire alarms and continued to carry out home fire safety visits;

(2) of the work carried out by SFRS to educate youths and attend schools with regard to deliberate fire setting in particular around dry grassland;

(3) of the work with officers from Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability on fly-tipping within the ward; and

(4) that from 1st July 2023, a new regulation would mean that the Service would no longer attend false fire alams, unless there was a confirmed fire or the building was a high risk premises, which included hospitals and care homes and that further information could be found at UFAS Dutyholder event - YouTube.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Station Commander Kenneth McCartney for the update.

**Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network update noted.**

**8** There was submitted a report by Ms Jane Cowie, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network (NWGVSN) providing an update on its work, advising

(1) of the continued concerns of the Network following changes to the Glasgow Communities Fund (GCF) regarding the process and outcome of phase 2 of GCF and continued to meet with Elected Members across the city with regard to the design and process for phase 3;

(2) of an IT recyclying project and that further information could be found at https://nwgvsn.org.uk/network-it-recycling-project-update/;

(3) of the projects that the Annexe Communities had carried out within the ward, as detailed in the report;

(4) that the Partick Pantry had seen an increase in people requiring food and that the Annexe Communities, Partick Housing Association, Partick Community Growing Project and The Partick Pantry had been working in partnership to secure as much food and energy funding as possible; and

(5) that the Partick South Church had been looking at additional local growing spaces within the Church grounds.

After consideration, the partnership noted the report and thanked Ms Cowie for the update.

**Area Budget 2022/23 - Final monitoring statement noted etc.**

**9** There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the 2022/23 final Area Budget funding position for the Partick East/Kelvindale Area Partnership as detailed in appendix 1 of the report.

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

**10** With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administraiton Committee of 23rd March 2023, when the committee approved the 2023/24 Area Budget allocations, there was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities, advising

(1) of the current position in relation to the Area Partnership's budget for 2023/24;

(2) that the Partick East/Kelvindale Area Partnership's Area Budget allocation for 2023/24 was £60,284.20 and a total of £16,529 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £43,755.20; and

(3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2023/24.

After consideration, the partnership

(a) noted

(i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocations for 2023/24; and

(ii) the applications dealt with under delegated functions as detailed in the report; and

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

| *Applicant* | *Purpose of application* | *Decision* |
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| *Police Scotland | Towards the cost of purchasing 52 x sashtop window jammers | Awarded £299 |
| Hayburn Playpark Association | Towards the cost of A Big Lunch event on Saturday 20th August 2023 | Awarded £1,000 |
| Dowanvale Free Church of Scotland | To purchase supplies of tea bags, coffee, UHT milk, sugar, hot chocolate and biscuits to create 200 packages for The Pantry | Awarded £2,277 |
| Maggie's Glasgow | To purchase garden equipment and a new compost bin | Consideration continued |
| Weekday Wow Factor | Towards the costs of meet, eat and dance sessions for 12 months | Refused |
| Notre Dame Primary School Parent Council | To purchase indoor storage equipment for the recycled uniforms | Awarded £1,272.52 |
| **Annexe Communities | Towards the costs of holding community music and arts festivals | Awarded £2,500 |
| WestFest | Towards the cost of funding community events from 2nd June to 25th June 2023 | Awarded £5,000 |
| World of Film International Festival | Towards the cost of funding 2 film events from 23rd June to 25th June 2023 and from 2nd November to 5th November 2023 | Refused |

* Inspector Mhairi Crawford declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon; and

** Jane Cowie and Frances Manley declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

**Development of Area Partnerships - Update noted.**

**11** There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding an update on the development of the Area Partnerships, advising

(1) of the ongoing development by the Centre of Civic Innovation that would allow Area Partnerships to make decisions on how the Infrastructure Improvement Fund could be spent based on the opinions of many local citizens;

(2) of the initial workshops that had been held to involve officers from Community Empowerment and Equalities, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability Services to understand the aims, objectives, potential challenges, key stakeholders, people that need to be included and of the available resources;

(3) that a Steering Group and a Project Team had been established and 10 Community Councillors had been signed up to be “citizen designers”;

(4) of the high level initial structure for the system that had been created and that final recommendations would be made to roll out across the city in June 2023; and

(5) of the revised terms of reference for Area Partnerships that would allow up to 4 additional members to be co-opted to the Partnership.