Item 6

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership

Newlands / Auldburn Area Partnership

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Local Parks & Open Space Improvement Fund – Update Report

Purpose of Report:

To provide the Area Partnership with an update on the Local Parks and Open Space Fund for the Newlands / Auldburn ward.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to note the contents of this report

1. Introduction

1.1 Glasgow City Council allocated £3 million to Area Partnerships across the city for investment in Parks and Open Spaces over 2021/22 & 2022/23. This report is to provide members an update on each allocated project within the ward and to advise on any further steps to be taken.

1.2 It should be noted that 328 projects have been approved on an ongoing basis since year 1 of this fund. Whilst the Service is placing focus on delivering these within desired timescales, they will be subject to resource pressures within the Service, alongside daily operational requirements. Where possible, the Service has been engaging with partners to grant award monies for project delivery where appropriate, to support community empowerment and local capacity building.

2. Summary

2.1 The following table provides an update on projects allocated within the ward for each year:

2021/22

Location	Proposal	Budget Allocated	Status & Next Steps
Newlands Park	Works to the pond to establish a system where an overflow would be created from the pond following periods of heavy rainfall into a SUDS area.	£20,000	Further update to be provided
Greenbank Park	Pollinator Plan- habitat creation, seasonal interest, the frontage to Nether Auldhouse Rd giving some colour, bulbs etc,	£5,000	Complete
Auldhouse Park	Pollinator Plan- habitat creation, seasonal interest, the frontage to Auldhouse Rd giving some colour, bulbs etc,	£5,000	Complete
Auldhouse Park	Painting of railings by specialist contractor- first phase	£5,000	Fence beyond repair. Sections of the fence require full replacement. Works planned for winter 23.
King George V Park	Upgrade grass path from Kennishead housing to the shops on Boydstone Rd	£11,478	Further update to be provided on timescales

King George V Park	Woodland management works at Viking Way to crown lift and thin trees, to reduce encroachment onto footway	£1,000	Within current contract. Works planned for Autumn / Winter 23
King George V Park	Painting of railings by specialist contractor- first phase	£5,000	Update to be provided on timescales.
Hillpark Drive	Planting of shade loving species (ferns, hostas etc.)	£8,000	Works planned for winter 23
Boydstone Road footpath to underpath	Carry out some habitat improvement works to the plot of land in GCC ownership (noting that the land ownership map indicates that the path and entrance are owned by others)	£300	Works planned for Autumn / Winter 23

2022/23

Location	**Proposal**	**Budget Allocated**	**Status & Next Steps**
Foothpath at Shawbridge Street to Pollokshaws Rd	Replace areas of steps/slabs with materials/ramps better suited to walking and wheeling, enhance planting to establish more wildflowers and bulbs, review any woodland thinning which may be required, upgrade existing adopted street lighting columns to modern standards and add directional active travel signage.	£52,800	Planting works and vegetation management to take place autumn / winter 23. Resurfacing and bench installations planned for winter 23.
Pollok Country Park	Fairy Garden: Refurbish existing Dinosaur Heads near fairy garden and add additional ones	£4,000	Complete
Newlands Park	Supply and install storage container for tools to support Friends of Newlands Park in their volunteering activity	£800	Complete

3. Recommendations

3.1 The Area Partnership is asked to note the contents of this report