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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership

Govan 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 Govan 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
Festival Park	Next phase of tree management works to open up entrances, and enhance site lines and assist in litter removal (via thinning activity which allows retained trees to grow to the full size)	£12,000	Further engagement with Forestry Scotland required
Elder Park	Marked junior Parkrun and supports daily recreational use and educational focused physical activity. Distance markers as surface characters and 'road markings' and on spot activities 'hop-scotch' etc.	£3,000	Further engagement required with local stakeholders
Elder Park	Planting of fruit trees (Locations tbc)	£1,470	Further engagement with Friends of Elder Park.
Tunnel Com Garden	Grant award	£2,300	Complete
Festival Park	Planting of Wildflower Plugs	£1,000	Complete
Festival Park	Canal pond reinvigoration (pond of adequate size	£8,000	Works planned for Autumn 23

	and open water with adjacent marginal and wetland habitats - support climate change mitigation, park drainage, education		
Festival Park	Pond terraces repairs and amended enhanced landscape education area	£5,500	Works planned for Autumn 23
Festival Park	Newt pond	£500	Complete
Festival Park	Dry water cascade – ensure stones and levels sound, manage vegetation to flanks, develop as seasonal and colour rich landscape of Japanese/ Chinese inspired planting	£1,500	Complete
Festival Park	Dry river bed - assists in park drainage enhance with colourful planting of natives and exotics	£500	Complete
Festival Park	Central area (adjacent to pond) new seats 3x in wider park + 3x accessible picnic tables in central space	£12,250	Works planned for Autumn 23
Elder Park	Tree planting - strategic park wide	£15,000	Works planned from Nov 23 onwards. (Citywide tree contract)
Elder Park	Accessible picnic tables 3x adjacent to play area	£10,900	Works planned for end of Sept 23
Elder Park	X2 Noticeboard Repairs	£1,550	Works to be tendered
Elder Park	Support and build community activity for additional planting form rose garden	£500	Complete

2022/23

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Elder Park	Support to the Friends of Elder Park for first phase of works to a community garden at this location – within a linear strip of land between	£3,000	Further engagement required

	gates and more detailed proposals to be brought forward in discussion with the Friends		
Land at Govan Cross	Support for first phase of works to a community garden at this location- detailed proposals to be brought forward in discussion with the group planning to utilise this space	£3,000	Works on hold until Spring 24 due to nearby construction work. The Service will continue to liaise with Govan & Linthouse Parish church on grant award
Harmony Row Play Area	Invest in play equipment and surfacing	£26,000	Further update on procurement timescales to follow.
Galgael Boatyard	Preliminary works to support food growing project at this location	£600	Grant Award
Tunnel Gardens	Support for further phase of investment at this location detailed proposals to be brought forward in discussion with the group utilising this space	£3,000	Grant Award
Plantation Park	Invest in play equipment and surfacing, planting, bulb planting and surfacing of active travel routes within the park	£40,150	Planting works at tender. Procurement work for play area planned for later 2023.
Ibrox Library grounds	New tree - conifer at 2.5m tall	£450	Ground unsuitable due to services.

3. Recommendations

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