Item 1

8th September 2023

NORTH EAST AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 14th April 2023, by video conference.

Present: Councillor Ruairi Kelly (Chair), Bailie Sharon Greer and Councillor Maureen Burke, Glasgow City Council; Dr Narjes Mehdizadeh, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; James Dean, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; and Stephen Orr, Garthamlock Craigend & Gartloch Community Council.

Apologies: Sergeant Barry Cranstoun and Station Commander Russell McKinlay, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

Attending: Z Chaudhry (Clerk); K Gannon and D Speirs (for the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities); and T Boyle and J Rodden (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods Regeneration and Sustainability).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 3rd February 2023 were submitted and approved subject to noting at Item 3(b) and 3(c) regarding the installation of CCTV, that

(a) CCTV costings were still to be confirmed; and

(b) officers from Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability would organise a site visit with the Elected Members to look at potential locations for CCTV installation.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership update noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration regarding an update on the membership of this Partnership, advising that Inspector Gerry Bryceland had been nominated as the representative and Sergeant David Leslie nominated as the substitute representative for Police Scotland.

Variation in order of business.

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

Development of Area Partnerships - Update noted.

4 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 would be spent based on the opinions of as many local citizens;

(2) of the initial workshops that had been held to involve officers from Community Empowerment and Equalities, and 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, as detailed in the report and that final recommendations would be made to roll out across the city in June 2023; and

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

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed to nominate the following groups as potential co-opted members to the Partnership – Greater Easterhouse Supporting Hands (G.E.S.H), Denmilne Action Group, FARE, St Pauls Youth Forum and Blairtummock Partnership; and

(c) agreed that when Molendinar Community Council was re-established it would become a nominated member.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

5 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of a ward update report by Police Scotland to a future meeting of this Partnership.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

6 There was submitted and noted a report by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 4, from 1st April to 31st March 2023, advising the Partnership that SFRS from 1st July 2023 would stop attending automatic fire alarm call outs to commercial businesses and workplace premises such as factories, offices, shops and leisure facilities, unless a fire had been confirmed or the building was a high risk premises, which including hospitals and care homes and that further information could be found at UFAS Dutyholder event – YouTube.

(1) of how to reduce false or unwanted alarms; and

(2) of the Make The Call campaign to help stop preventable deaths in house fires by making a 5 minute phone call.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund - Update noted.

7 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of 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) 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 spend on physical improvements within the community; and

(3) feedback or additional suggestions were welcomed to inform the process moving forward.

Lochend Road at Westerhouse Road – Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund – Proposals approved.

8 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding a site survey at Lochend Road at Westerhouse Road, advising that

(1) the NRS Road Safety team had undertaken observations at Westerhouse Road and Lochend Road;

(2) some vulnerable pedestrains had difficulty in crossing Westerhouse Road given the layout and the number of entrance/exits to off-road facilities;

(3) the delay and number of vehicles exiting from Lochend Road did not justify the installation of a full signal-controlled junction;

(4) there would be difficultly in siting a pedestrian (PUFFIN) crossing on Westerhouse Road due to the bus stop and entrances to Glasgow Kelvin College and to the Police Station; and;

(5) the estimated cost for all works to provide a fully compliant signal-controlled junction on Westerhouse Road at Lochend Road was £130,000, and that the Partnership was asked to consider match fund of £65,000 from the Area Partnership Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) highlighted areas of concern regarding the drainage not maintained at Easterhouse Sports Centre car park on Auchinlea Road;

(c) approved match funding of £65,000 for a fully compliant signal-controlled junction on Westerhouse Road; and

(d) approved £30,000 from the Area Partnership Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund to repair Easterhouse Sports Centre car park on Auchinlea Road.

Area Budget 2022/2023 - Final monitoring statement noted.

9 There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the Area Budget for 2022/2023, providing a final monitoring statement in relation to projects previously funded.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the monitoring statement and that £87,837.96 had been allocated to various projects in the North East ward, representing a 99% spend.

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

10 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration 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 North East Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2023/24 was £88,194.44; and that £10,567 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £77,627.44; 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 allocation 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
St Benedict's Primary School	Towards the cost of residential trip for primary school children	Awarded £1000
Easterhouse Parish Church	Towards the cost of funding bus trip to Ayr beach	Awarded £500
Cean Creige Hurling and Camogie Club	Towards the cost of funding residential trip and equipment	Awarded £5,250 on condition not double funding for St Rose of Lima
Ruchazie Pantry	Towards the cost of funding the activate plus course	Awarded £5,000
Police Scotland	Towards the cost of purchasing sash windows	Awarded £299
Growing 21 Ltd	Towards the cost of funding to run a community kitchen	Awarded £7777.20 based on lower costings
*Provan Hall Community Management Trust	Towards the cost of an artist and materials	Awarded £4,180
Community Events Scotland – North East Fireworks	Towards the cost of funding a firework display at Glasgow Fort	Awarded £5000 pending receipt of quotes
Greater Easterhouse Supporting Hands	Towards the cost of laptops, hardware and software	Awarded £5,265
**Glasgow East Arts Company – Bridge Family Fun Day Festival	Towards the cost of funding a family fun day	Awarded £5,000
Loop Theatre	Towards the cost of funding to run performing arts sessions	Refused Insufficient information provided
St Paul's Youth Forum	Towards the cost of extending Saturday night sessions	Awarded £8,819
Pavilion	Towards the cost of funding autism friendly sessions	Awarded £8,257.50
East End Flat Pack Meals		Awarded £2,000

Weekday Wow Factor	Towards the cost of funding 4 community breakfasts Towards the cost of running a pilot programme of day time discos	Refused as could not be used for core funding
Clydeside Model Railway Club	Towards the cost of equipment for a new display	Awarded £1,452.36
Blairtumnock Housing Association	Towards the cost of funding to run a walking group and men's shed	Awarded £8,730
PEEK	Towards the cost of funding outdoor play sessions	Refused as had already received central funding

* Councillors Kelly and Burke declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon. Councillor Kelly vacated the Chair which was assumed by Bailie Greer for this application only.

** Ballie Greer declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Festive Lighting 2023/24 – Funding approved.

10 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the provision of Festive lighting within the Ward, advising that

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

(2) specific locations would be confirmed by 28th April 2023.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) agreed to fund 1 tree at a cost of £3,600 at Easterhouse Shopping Centre.