

HILLHEAD AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 8th November 2022, by video conference.

Present: Councillors Martha Wardrop (Chair) and Hanzala Malik Glasgow City Council; Anna Dyer, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Sergeant Gillian Frew, Police Scotland; Station Commander David McGroarty, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Katie Fish, Students' Representative Council, University of Glasgow; Louise MacKenzie, North Kelvin Community Council; Jean Charsley, Hillhead Community Council; and Stewart Leighton, Woodlands and Park Community Council.

Apologies: Councillor Ken Andrew, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Mhairi Crawford, Police Scotland; and Nicola Scott and Lyndsay Thomson, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Attending: E Miller (Clerk); R O'Sullivan (for the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities); A Gavin, S Gray, S MacLeod, F O'Rourke and C Paterson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); N McClounan and M Paterson (for the Chief Executive, Glasgow Life); G McNaught, Head of Legal and Administration; A Kelly and S Matthews, Jacobs Steer; and L Johnston, Glasgow Street Pastors.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 30th August 2022 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership noted.

2 There was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding membership of this Partnership, noting that

- (1) Station Commander David McGroarty had been nominated as the main representative for Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and Paul Tyrrell nominated as the substitute representative;
- (2) Inspector Mhairi Crawford had been nominated as the main representative for Police Scotland;
- (3) nominations for a substitute community representative from this Partnership to attend future meetings of the North West Sector Community Planning Partnership were requested and could be forwarded to the Partnership and Development Officer, Rory.OSullivan@glasgow.gov.uk; and
- (4) nominations for co-opted members to attend future meetings of this Partnership should be emailed to the Partnership and Development Officer,

Rory.OSullivan@glasgow.gov.uk to be considered at a future meeting of the Partnership.

Community Planning Partnership – Governance Framework - Register of Interests noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration advising the Partnership of the requirements in relation to the Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework regarding the registration and declaration of members' interests and detailing those interests which had been declared by members of the Partnership, as detailed in the report.

Variation in order of business noted.

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

Police Scotland Ward update noted etc.

5 There was heard a report by Sergeant Gillian Frew, 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 (ASB);
- (2) that the statistics for public nuisance calls and disturbances had fallen;
- (3) of the ongoing work by Officers to combat bike thefts, road safety incidents, rough sleepers and that Community Officers continued to gather information on drug use and that individuals had been reported to the Procurator Fiscal;
- (4) of the ASB operation that continued to be monitored and patrolled within Kelvingrove Park and that incidents had reduced;
- (5) of the engagement with licenced premises, in particular up to Bonfire Night and the escalation of patrols in the run up to Christmas, due to increased shoplifters;
- (6) that Officers had distributed leaflets and stickers to residents with regard to bogus callers and the dangers of this;
- (7) of a recent graffiti incident by an offender and that the investigation was ongoing;
- (8) that Police Scotland carried out an engagement event that was attended by 120 Deliveroo employees, who had been given information on the road safety rules within the Highway Code; and

- (9) of the continued monitoring of road safety and Car Free Zones within school premises.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted and thanked Sergeant Frew for the report and wished her well in her retirement;
- (b) requested information on parking on double yellow lines, which Police Scotland continued to monitor and would continue to do so; and
- (c) agreed that members could contact Inspector Crawford direct with any issues they wished to highlight to her.

Glasgow Bus Partnership – Report noted.

6 There was submitted a report by Jacobs Steer and the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) regarding the proposed plans for the City's transport, advising

- (1) of the Council's plans to transform the way residents or visitors travel around the City by improving public transport and travel options over the long term, which aimed to provide safe, affordable, enjoyable connections and reduced road congestion, noise and air pollution;
- (2) that the Scottish Government was committed to providing a long-term investment of £500m to deliver targeted bus priority measures on local and trunk roads;
- (3) that the Glasgow Bus Partnership Fund would complement the powers in the Transport (Scotland) Act 2019, that would enable local authorities to work in partnership with bus operators, to develop and deliver ambitious schemes;
- (4) that the Council would submit bid(s) to the Bus Partnership Fund on behalf of the Glasgow Bus Partnership and had commissioned Jacobs Steer to develop the evidence-base to allow the first funding bid during 2023;
- (5) of the work to develop a set of proposals to transform bus travel within the city, starting with 5 corridors and the targets to reduce bus journey times, as detailed in the report; and
- (6) of the bus priority improvements, junction improvements, kerbside improvements, network solutions, feedback and next steps, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted

- (i) the report;
 - (ii) that ScotRail and Strathclyde Partnership for Transport would be working together to ensure residents had a more efficient rail and bus service; and
 - (iii) that a more user friendly ticketing system would be introduced to allow residents and visitors to travel across the city effectively and efficiently;
- (b) highlighted that
- (i) not all residents had seen the consultation;
 - (ii) there should be more integration with rail and underground services rather than competition between the transport companies; and
 - (iii) the project should look at how Greater Manchester and other European countries run their transport systems;
- (c) requested a meeting with Officers to discuss questions and issues raised by members at the meeting, which should be forwarded to Councillor McSparran to be addressed by Jacobs Steer and NRS; and
- (d) agreed that a walkabout would be arranged around the Great Western Road area with Jacobs Steer and NRS to allow members to highlight areas of concern within the Ward with regard to congestion and bus corridors.

Short Term Let Licensing Regulation and Houses in Multiple Occupation – Update noted – Request to the Director of Legal and Administration.

7 With reference to the minutes of 30th August 2022, following a meeting with the Head of Licencing and Democratic Services, there was submitted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration, regarding the background to Short Term Lets licensing regime and Policy that was agreed by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee on 21st September 2022 and the changes to the Licensing of Short Term Lets and the background to the current licensing regime for Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMO), as detailed in the report and the appendix to the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted and thanked Ms McNaught for the report;
- (2) raised a number of concerns regarding
 - (i) Short Term Lets in tenement buildings;
 - (ii) the HMO licencing regime;

- (iii) the control of Short Term Lets and how it would affect students should they be removed as there were around 38,000 students in Glasgow, some of whom struggled to find properties to rent; and
 - (iv) the safeguard and security issue to avoid squated properties within the Ward; and
- (3) requested that a meeting be arranged with Ms G McNaught, the Director of Legal and Administration, Council Planning Officers and members of the Partnership to discuss further the concerns raised at the meeting.

Hillhead Infrastructure Fund 2022/23 – Funding approved – Request to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods Regeneration and Sustainability.

8 There was heard an updated report by Ms Francine O'Rourke, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) and Councillor Wardrop, regarding the recommended options for spend towards Neighbourhood Infrastructure asset improvements, advising of

- (1) the road surfacing, drainage work and lighting to be carried out; and
- (2) a budget surplus that would be available for work in Wilton Street, Gibson Street and Hillhead Street, out-with the infrastructure fund.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
 - (i) the report;
 - (ii) that the budget surplus work would not include footpaths;
 - (iii) that Councillor Wardrop had collated information from community representatives within the Ward to confirm the work that required immediate attention;
 - (iv) that NRS would re-cost the work and provide updated information to members of this Partnership; and
 - (v) the issues surrounding installing CCTV in private lanes and that NRS would look into the option of adopting private lanes;
- (b) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability investigate the removal of a number of broken poles within the Ward, due to being a hazard to children and residents;
- (c) approved funding, as detailed in appendix 1 to this report, compiled by Councillor Wardrop based on Wards requests, with Options 3 and 4 to be actioned as a matter of urgency by NRS; and

- (d) highlighted concerns regarding the use of black tarmac to replace broken pathways, which was unsuitable for the elderly and residents suffering from dementia and requested that a white chip be used to lighten the colour of the tarmac.

Glasgow Life Libraries Strategy and Team Structure - Presentation noted etc.

9 There was heard a presentation by Ms Myra Paterson and Mr Neil McClounan, Glasgow Life regarding the Glasgow Life Libraries Strategy, advising

- (1) of the vision for Glasgow Libraries;
- (2) that feedback from a 2015 consultation, which confirmed that libraries were still a vital part of the community;
- (3) of the 5 themes that underpinned the basic values and aspirations namely health and wellbeing, economy, social, culture and environment; and
- (4) that everyone would be invited to take part in a survey with views from citizens, communities, partners and stakeholders and that contributions for the next step on Vision for Glasgow Libraries could be accessed at <https://surveys.glasgowlife.org.uk/s/CXOIBA/>, which was open until 16th December 2022 and should be circulated to as many residents and community groups as possible.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
 - (i) the presentation and thanked the Ms Paterson and Mr McClounan;
 - (ii) that free Wi-Fi would be available in libraries;
 - (iii) that a home library service was available to housebound residents; and
 - (iv) that Glasgow Life had been in contact with schools and universities regarding its services; and
- (b) highlighted the issues with disabled residents accessing the toilets in some of the older buildings.

Festive Lighting 2022/23 – Update noted – Request to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

10 There was submitted a report by Ms Francine O'Rourke, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding the Festive Lighting within the Ward, advising that as lights in the trees at St George's Cross had been damaged by NRS, remedial work would be carried out to replace lights on the natural trees at the cross.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted the report;
- (2) agreed that NRS fund the cost of the damaged lights to be replaced at the trees at St George's Cross;
- (3) requested information on a previous project at Great Western Road when local residents and businesses had agreed to create a business improvement plan and if the project had been successful, could this be considered an option for other areas within the Ward;
- (4) agreed that suggestions for permanent festive lighting could be considered and NRS would confirm costs for this and advise if any shortfall in funds could be awarded from the infrastructure fund.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Ward update noted – Request to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

11 There was heard a report by Station Commander David McGroarty, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the Ward for Quarter 2 2022/23, advising the Partnership that

- (1) the Service had attended 36 fires with no casualties, 97 false alarms, 46 of which had been unwanted fire alarms, 33 Special Services and carried out 45 high risk home fire safety visits;
- (2) the Service continued to work with the Scottish Ambulance Service and continued engagement on water safety, with 5 incidents reported, vulnerable residents, schools etc including engagement events leading up to Bonfire Night; and
- (3) the Service had received 582 calls in the West of the city on Bonfire Night and had attended 242 incidents, with no injuries reported.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted and thanked Station Commander McGroarty for the report and for the worked carried out by the Service; and

- (b) requested information on the SFRS accessibility to roads within the Ward to ensure they could access buildings quickly and safely.

Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network update noted.

12 There was submitted a report by Ms Anna Dyer, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network (NWGVSN) providing an update on its work, noting

- (1) that the network would be attending the Glasgow Communities Fund Review Panel followed by 2 training sessions for Community Council members, who would be participating in the Review panel;
- (2) that NWGVSN had supplied over 750 PC packages to referrers across North West Glasgow and thanked donators, referrers and funders for their continued support, however would now seek help with acquiring/funding much needed Wi-Fi boxes to continue to give 6 months free unlimited Wi-Fi with pc packages and the network can be contacted at <https://nwgvsn.org.uk/network-it-recycling-project-update/>;
- (3) the network's concerns at the dramatic increased reliance of food banks, community fridges and community shops;
- (4) the NWGVSN proposal for an increased Nursery Provider Partnership Funding, which had been referred from the City Administration Committee to the Education, Skills and Early Years Committee, as detailed in the report;
- (5) that the network had been waiting on City Building to carry out repairs at Woodside Hall and had been advised that an Entertainment Licence would take several months to be approved and that NWGVSN would write to Councillor Wardrop to highlight the network's concerns;
- (6) the network's concerns regarding parking issues and the additional costs for members; and
- (7) that Glasgow City Council has published a list of premises, mainly libraries, which would provide warm hubs to offer refuge to residents who are unable to afford to heat their homes and the network's concerns regarding this, as detailed in the report.

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

Glasgow Street Pastors – Presentation noted.

13 There was heard a presentation by the Glasgow Street Pastors (GSP), advising

- (1) that the organisation was a volunteer-based initiative with a mandate to be a visible Christian influence in the city of Glasgow;

- (2) that GSP was an interdenominational Christian charity and had over 100 volunteers from various walks of life;
- (3) of the trained volunteers who served the community both in the West End of the city and the city centre on Friday and Saturday nights and engaged, along with other agencies, with revellers, door staff, the homeless and people in need of help;
- (4) of the items GSP purchased from the Area Budget funds awarded to the organisation, including flip flops, hats, gloves, foil blankets, sick bowls and basic first aid supplies; and
- (5) that anyone interested in volunteering or joining GSP as an observer, could contact the organisation by emailing coordinator@gsp.scot or chair@gsp.scot or by telephone on 07530 542 631.

After consideration, the Partnership noted and thanked Ms Johnstone for the presentation and asked that this be circulated to members for information.

Area Budget 2022/23 – Applications for funding dealt with etc – Declaration of interest.

14 With reference to the minutes of the Council’s City Administration Committee of 12th March 2020 (Print 7, page 527), when the committee approved the 2022/23 Area Budget allocations as part of a 3-year package of funding, there was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities providing an introduction to the Area Budget, details of the current position with the 2022/23 Area Budget and applications for funding for 2022/23.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted
 - (a) the current position in relation to the Area Partnership’s budget for 2022/23; and
 - (b) that the Hillhead Area Partnership’s Area Budget allocation for 2022/23 was £61,838.56 and that £40,493.00 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £21,345.56; and
- (2) dealt with the applications for funding as follows, the grant awards being subject to the conditions detailed in the report:-

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Purpose of application</i>	<i>Decision</i>
Oakgrove Primary Parent Council – School Equipment	Towards the cost of purchasing equipment to hold 15 drop-in hubs from 1st December 2022	Awarded £5,000 on the condition that the organisation

	to 30th March 2023, equipment and meals for P7's to attend a residential transition and to purchase personalised hoodies for P7 pupils	provided copies of any safeguarding policies and procedures for children and vulnerable people as well as a detailed overview of how the warm hub would operate and evidence of approaches by applicant to Education officials, and how they had tried to access other funding from Education Services
Flourish House – Community Fridge	Towards the cost of purchasing a fridge and accessories	Awarded £4,631
*Community Central Halls	Towards the cost of improving the light and sound system within the facility	Awarded £5,955
The Children's Wood	Towards the cost of the design of a shed extension	Awarded £2,250

*Anna Dyer declared an interest in this item of business and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Minutes of North West Sector Community Planning Partnership noted.

15 The minutes of the North West Sector Community Planning Partnership of 22nd September 2022 were submitted and noted.

Appendix 1

Agreed Options for Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund – Hillhead Area Partnership – Ward 11, 2022-23

Option Number	Location	Proposal	Potential Budget	Feedback
4	Wilton Street and Wilton Drive, Belgrave Lane, Hamilton Drive And various across Hillhead Ward	Measures to improve drainage operation and capacity including introduction of SuDs measures, upsizing of gully pots (30 no.) and high-pressure jetting and cleaning	£60,000	NKCC comments: 4 flood locations noted around Wilton Street (ie just east of Melrose Gardens, East end of Wilton Island, 244 Wilton Street, Kelvinside Gardens) arrangements to clean and test these gullies, and works arranged if required. Queen Margaret Drive at Oban Drive and the hairdresser at Kelbourne Street is included in the flood routes programme. We would ask for this to be prioritised as flooding was evident during recent heavy rain. During recent rainfall we have noticed flooding at the bottom of the 60 Steps; ask for this to be investigated and for proper road drainage to be implemented in this area.
3	Carrington Street	Footway renewal of removal of flagstones and replace with bituminous materials – area = 12,260m ²	£20,250.00	Supported by Woodlands and Park Community Council (W&PCC)
3	various sections	Footway renewal Granolithic footway patching	£24,000.00	Supported by all community councils.

3	Montague Street	Footway renewal Full Length (both sides)	£17,100.00	W&PCC: most of it north of West Princes Street could be renewed but the remainder south of West Princes Street is in reasonable condition and left for now.
3	Lansdowne Crescent	Footway renewal Full Length (both sides) Remove Grano to HRA (Sand carpet)	£81,000.00	Supported by all community councils.
3	Great Western Road	Footway renewal Park Road to No 122 (both sides) Remove Grano to HRA (Sand carpet)	£165,250.00	Supported by all community councils.
2	Great Western Road (Byres Road to Cecil Street)	Byres Road to Cecil Street Carriageway resurfacing	£84,000.00	Supported by Hillhead CC
8	Hillhead 2 - Otago Street (Gt Western Rd - Gibson St)	Full renewal of street lighting including LEDs – total length = 3,262m	£174,000	Hillhead Community Council support provided.
	Bank Street (Whole length)			
	Oakfield Avenue (Whole length)			
	Southpark Avenue (Whole length)			
	Southpark Terrace (Whole length)			
Otago Lane (Whole length)				

	Bower Street (Whole length)			
	Glasgow Street (Whole length)			
	Gt George Street (Otago St - Hillhead St) Cowan Street (Whole length)			
	Eton Lane (Whole length) Caledonian Crescent (Whole length)			
	Belgrave Terrace (Whole length)			
	Oakfield Lane (Whole length)			
	Gibson Street (Otago St - Hillhead St)			
11	Locations to be determined	Provision of redeployable CCTV for fly tipping purposes Provision of fixed location CCTV for fly tipping purposes	£4K £1k for technical support. Total £5k	Woodside Community Involvement Group - Desire for improved CCTV provision at Grovepark Street/ Grovepark gardens area. CCTV only covers part of the street and gathering place for public drinking and urination. Pilot project.