Item 1

25th April 2023

DENNISTOUN AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 14th February 2023, City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Allan Casey (Chair), Bailie Anthony Carroll and Councillor Elaine McDougall, Glasgow City Council; Chief Inspector Greg Roberton, Police Scotland; Station Commander Barry Cranstoun, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Jennifer Johnstone, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Kenny Trainer, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Martin Lundie, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and Ian Sheerer, Dennistoun Community Council.

Apology: Josephine Donachy, Milnbank Housing Association.

Attending: A Croall (Clerk); A Moore (for the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities); and L Clark, A Gavin, K McCormick and L Pratt (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); Inspector L Docherty, Police Scotland; and D Ramsay, Staying In Project.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 23rd November 2022 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework - Membership update 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) Alan Brown had retired from Spireview Housing Association and was no longer the substitute represenative; and

(2) Martin Lundie had been appointed as the co-opted member for Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Variation in order of business.

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

Police Scotland ward update noted.

4 There was heard a verbal update by Chief Inspector Greg Roberton and Inspector Lesley Docherty, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership

(1) of a positive update on drug misuse in the ward that had focused on the dedicated delivery of resources, which had resulted in an increased detection rate;

(2) that funding received from Milnbank Housing Association would allow additional patrols to focus on anti-social behaviour around Alexandra Parade and continued work in relation to drug activity towards the Haghill area however these funds would come to an end at the end of the year; and

(3) of the budget constraints that would challenge resources and priorities for Police Scotland however at the moment there had been no impact locally.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted and thanked Chief Inspector Roberton and Inspector Docherty for the update; and

(b) raised questions and concerns in relation to the area around the Tartan Lodge which was responded to by Chief Inspector Roberton and Inspector Docherty.

Local Parks & Open Spaces Improvment Fund 2022/23 – Funding approved.

5 With reference to the minutes of 21st September 2022 when the Area Partnership agreed that further localised meetings with members of this Partnership take place to assist them in their consideration of potential options for the use of this Fund and that a further report be provided to the next meeting, there was submitted a report by Mr Kevin McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, advising of

(1) the costings of the chosen projects totalling £60,100; and

(2) an update of the project allocations for 2021/22 and progress to date.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) approved the funding of projects totalling £60,100 as detailed in an appendix to these minutes; and

(c) raised questions in relation to a previous investment towards the project at Hogarth Park, of the public consultation needed for the project at Coll Place Greenspace and of a potential build of a cabin from the Infrastructure Investment Fund, which Mr McCormick advised would be considered and would involve joint work with Mr Lundie regarding the potential use of the Infrastructure Investment Fund, along with the investigation of ongoing revenue costs and an approach to housing organisations for potential future maintenance cost of the project.

Staying In Project - Presentation noted.

6 There was heard a presentation by Mr David Ramsay, Homelessness Network Scotland regarding the prevention of homelessness using a place-based approach, advising

(1) of the funding received from the National Lottery Community Fund that had allowed collaboration in Pollock and Gorbals to set up a local panel to oversee work, invited bids and had funded 6 organisations;

(2) that each community across the city had a different need and a different response at a local level;

(3) that Community Planning Partnerships should include 'preventing homelessness' as a priority outcome in Local Outcome Improvement Plans and Locality Plans;

(4) that 71% of people connected with Staying In were no longer at risk of homelessness, easing pressure on Council services, protecting homes and keeping people in their communities and as a result panel members would look at a place-based approach to prevention in locality planning meetings; and

(5) of the development of the homelessness prevention duty that would be included in the Housing Bill later to Parliament this year which would require a duty for all public bodies to 'Ask & Act', Ask about housing and Act to protect homes and prevent homelessness.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the presentation;

(b) agreed to add 'the prevention of homelessness' to the Dennistoun Area Partnership Key Priorities; and

(c) discussed the potential nomination of representation from the Staying In Project as a member on the Partnership.

Previous and future planned road works update noted.

7 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on previous and future road works in the ward since 2017.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted and thanked Mr Gavin for the report; and

(b) raised questions and concerns in relation to the number of claims made in relation to pot holes in the ward, the heavy traffic causing dangerous pot holes at bus stops, the lack of road markings and traffic signage around Whitehill Street and the removal of speed cushions at Royston Road at nearby schools, which Mr Gavin advised would be investigated and a response provided to members.

Your Neighbourhood, Your Place – Update noted – Request to Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

8 There was heard a verbal report by Mr M Lundie, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund, advising

(1) that work was ongoing in relation to the provision of written reports to future meetings of the Partnership;

(2) of an update of the consultation process of the Infrastructure Improvement Fund and of the next steps of the engagement design plan that would be finalised in June 2023 and would be handed over to Community Empowerment and Equalities to co-ordinate the engagement process with the local community; and

(3) that the Partnership could start to make decisions to spend funds from the Infrastructure Fund now or wait until June 2023 when the engagement process was rolled out to the community to capture more information or have a refreshed list of options provided with costs.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) agreed that the Partnership wait until June 2023 for the consultations to commence with local communities prior to spending from the fund; and

(c) requested the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to provide details of any external funding that might be in place for the area at the pedestrian underpass at Junction 15 Townhead, as the Liveable Neighbourhoods boundary now covered this area.

Inner East Strategic Development Framework - Presentation noted.

9 There was heard a presentation by Mr Laurence Clark and Ms Lindsay Pratt, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Inner East Strategic Development Framework, advising

(1) that 6 Strategic Development Frameworks and 3 Local Development Frameworks had been identified and that Glasgow Inner East was 1 of these;

(2) of the vision for the Inner East area particularly in the Dennistoun ward, the challenges, the priorities, the desired outcomes, the different approaches, action programme and delivery;

(3) that the Inner East Strategic Development Framework had been published on the Council's Consultation Hub from 25th June to 6th September 2021, which had resulted in 470 respondents and over 2000 comments being received; and

(4) of the next steps regarding the Inner East Strategic Development Framework which would be reported to the Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee in April 2023 for consideration, the City Administration Committee for approval, and then submitted to the Scottish Government for approval and finally the Strategic Development Framework would be supplementary guidance to the Development Plan.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report and thanked Mr Clark and Ms Pratt for the presentation; and

(b) raised questions in relation to the sustainability, the action plan, traffic corridor at Duke Street, pre century housing stock condition survey in the ward, gap sites in the Haghill area, local amenities and the accessibility to public transport, which was responded to by Mr Clark and Ms Pratt.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

10 There was heard an update by Station Commander Barry Cranstoun, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS), advising the Partnership of the current issues, incidents and work being carried out within the ward,

(1) advising of potential strike action and providing an assurance that a SFRS response would be provided during that time;

(2) confirming that as a result of the unwanted fire alarm signal consultation, SFRS would be able to establish if automated fire alarms in workplaces had been triggered by an actual fire before sending an appliance, this change would be effective from 1st July 2023 and would reduce attendance rates however hospitals, residential care homes and sleeping premises would remain exempt and would continue to have appliances automatically mobilised; and

(3) providing details of the CPR delivery via the British Heart Foundation that allowed groups to engage with their local Fire Station and learn skills that included fire safety and water safety.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) raised questions in relation to magnet fishing in the area and to keep the Partnership informed of any industrial action, which Station Commander Barry Cranstoun responded to.

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

11 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administraiton 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 Council's Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the Area Budget for 2022/23, advising

(1) of the current position in relation to the Area Partnership's budget for 2022/23;

(2) that the Dennistoun Area Partnership's Area Budget allocation for 2022/23 was £65,664.61 and that £48,930.60 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £16,734.01; and

(3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2022/23.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocations for 2022/23; and

(ii) an application dealt with under delegated functions, as detailed in the report; and

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

Applicant	*Purpose of application*	*Decision*
Royston Primary School	Towards the cost to provide a residential trip to Kingswood Outdoor Centre for 13 pupils	Awarded £1,000
*Milnbank Housing Association	Towards the cost to provide 35 hours of warm room hall hire for 6 weeks and to provide hot food, tea, coffee, papers and magazines	Awarded £5,440

*Rosemount Development Trust	Towards the costs to host community engagement sessions with local schools and Royston Youth Action and to purchase materials for workshops	Awarded £6,000
Barmulloch Primary School	Towards the cost to supply and fit a new kitchen to be used by school children for cooking lessons, parents to undertake family learning and access for local groups	Awarded £4,136
Police Scotland	Towards the purchase of sash window jammers	Awarded £158.01

*Councillor Casey declared an interest in these applications and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon and Councillor Carroll assumed the Chair for these items only.

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

12 There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities, advising that

(1) the Area Budget had still to be agreed by the City Administration Committee and any revisions to Area Budget allocations for 2023/24 would be detailed in a future report;

(2) area partnerships had the option to approve a portion of funds from its 2023/24 Area Budget at the January/February 2023 cycle of meetings for any projects/services that would take place early in the 2023/24 financial year; and

(3) any funding recommended would be subject to confirmation of available finances.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) that the Area Budget allocations for 2023/24 were subject to availability of funds following approval of Glasgow City Council's 2023/24 budget, with any revisions to current levels of budget being subject to a future report;

(ii) the interim arrangements which enabled the allocation of a portion of the funding from the 2023/24 Area Budget in the January/February cycle for time critical applications; and

(iii) that time critical awards of up to £500 could be allocated from the 2023/24 budget under the existing delegated authority arrangements;

(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*
Police Scotland	Towards the costs to purchase sash window jammers and safety packs	Awarded £140.99
St Roch's Primary School	Towards the cost of a residential trip to Blairvadach for 54 pupils from 22nd to 24th May 2023	Awarded £1,000
Glasgow Women's Library	Towards the cost to provide sessional research workshops, materials to develop a map/booklet women's heritage and stories in Dennistoun	Awarded £4,501 subject to condition match funding provided
North Glasgow Community Food Initiative	Towards the cost to install an accessible compost toilet on site of the Germiston allotments	Awarded £6,586

(c) in terms of the Travel Pass Scheme, approved the provision of travel passes for use to St Roch's Childcare Services and Gingerbread East End Out of School Care.

Minutes of North East Sector Community Planning Partnership noted.

13 The minutes of the North East Sector Community Planning Partnership of 19th January 2023 were submitted and noted.

APPENDIX

DENNISTOUN AREA PARTNERSHIP – LOCAL PARKS AND OPEN SPACES – ALLOCATION OF PROJECT FUNDING TOTALLING £60,100 FOR 2022/23

Option Number	*Location*	*Project*	*Total allocation*
1	Alexandra Park	The Friends of Alexandra Park will develop proposals with the Area Partnership and bring these back to the Area Partnership for approval	£12,100
2	Greenspace West of Rymer Street	Bring forward proposals to enhance active travel, secure-by-design and biodiversity though works to planting, surfacing and signage	£10,000
3	MPGC at Glenconnor Park	Install lighting	£20,000
4	Coll Place Greenspace	Proposals for a further phase of work to be brought forward following engagement activity being planned for Autumn 2022	£17,000
5	Glasgow Necropolis	Further phase of plant wildflower borders to highlight specific areas of the Necropolis. Budget would permit up to 833m2 of wildflower planting.	£1,000