Item 9

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership

Victoria Park Area Partnership

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AREA BUDGET 2023/24: APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING

Purpose of Report:

To provide the Area Partnership with details of the current position of the 2023/24 Area Budget; inform members of applications considered under Delegated Functions; and make recommendations on further applications for funding.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to:

(1) note the budget position for 2023/24;

(2) note applications considered under Delegated Functions; and

(3) consider the recommendations on applications received for Area Budget funding in 2023/24, as detailed in appendix 1.

Victoria Park Ward 12

Introduction

1. This report provides details on the Area Partnership's budget position for 2023/24; applications considered under Delegated Functions; and makes recommendations on further funding applications.

Background

2. Glasgow City Council agreed its budget for 2023/24 on 16th February 2023 with the overall funding available for Area Partnerships maintained at 2022/23 levels. The City Administration Committee approved allocations to Area Partnerships on 23rd March 2023. The Victoria Park Area Budget for 2023/24 is **£59,732.90.**

Area Budget Expenditure to Date

3. The Area Partnership committed £16,125.83 from the 2023/24 Area Budget at its last meeting on 19th April 2023 and **£470.00** has been committed under the Scheme of Delegated Functions.

4. Therefore, a total of **£33,351.19 (55.8%)** has been committed to various projects serving the Ward area, leaving a balance of **£26,381.71 (44.2%)** unallocated.

Applications dealt with under Delegated Functions

5. One application has been dealt with since the last meeting of the Area Partnership under Delegated Functions. Details of the application are provided below:

Project Title	Applicant	Project Description	Decision	Local Investment Priority
Ukrainian Family Day in the Park PRN: (267/23)	Friends of Victoria Park (FoVP)	This Ukrainian Family Day is planned for 20 August 2023, from 12:00 to 16:00 for the public. It is a joint event between the Glasgow branch of the AUGB (Association for Ukrainians in Great Britain) and FoVP. The event is fully supported by Victoria Park Community Trust and a permission to use application has been submitted. All risk assessments and licences will be in place. Many of the activities such as Ukrainian dancing and games will be provided by the AUGB. Other activities such as netball, football mini-tots rugby, model boats, fire engine and police "bike-marking" are being provided for free by groups/companies	Approved: £470.00	Vulnerable People Thriving Places

		approached by FoVP. FoVP members have also acquired free gazebos from charities nearby, and other free events such as a heritage trail and scavenger hunt. However, some activities for children are beyond the budget of AUGB and no supplier will provide them for free. As a result, FoVP are looking for £470 to support the following activities: - Tug of war rope = £30.00 - Face painting = £200.00 - Balloon modelling = £180 - First aider = £60.00 Total amount requested = £470 Matched funding = £550 *[AUGB = £500]* *[FoVP = £50]* No: of Beneficiaries: 200+ (Victoria Park) Date of Project: 20th August 2023		

Area Budget Funding Applications

7. Appendix One provides a summary of the applications that require consideration by the Area Partnership. Each application is in a standard format that describes the aims of the proposed project and the nature of any activities or services that would be provided by the grant funding. It also provides a brief description of how funding will be spent (e.g. to purchase equipment); Each application has been assessed using the process outlined previously in a report to the Area Partnership. Based on the assessment, a recommendation is offered in respect of each application for funding. The recommendation may include any specific conditions, in addition to the standard GCC conditions of grant that have been assessed as required;

8. When considering funding applications, Members are requested to note the Maximum and Minimum Awards i.e. a Minimum Award of £300 for all Area Partnership awards and a Maximum Award of 10% of the Area Partnership's annual budget – this applies to any single organisation for one or more projects. The Area Partnership may choose to exceed the maximum award if it deems there are exceptional circumstances; for the Victoria Park Area Partnership this amount is £5,973.00.

9. There are also Maximum Awards provided as a guide for specific activities:

- ✓ £350 for bus trips
- ✓ £500 for team strips
- ✓ £1,000 for residential trips
- ✓ £5,000 for community events

10. The Area Partnership can also consider whether any Specific Conditions should be applied to an Award. This would in addition to the Council's Standard Conditions of Grant, and Conditions applied during the processing of applications.

Area Budget Investment Priorities – Victoria Park/Ward 12

11. Area Partnerships have agreed local investment priorities for use of the Area Budget. Area Partnerships should seek to allocate funding to applicants that will assist in the delivery of their locally agreed priorities. However, Area Partnerships will be able to discuss applications that -

i) do not fit with the investment priorities but that make a strong case for consideration. In determining whether a strong case has been made, Area Partnership should consider whether the application:

a. Demonstrates a fit with the wider Council or Glasgow Community Planning Partnership priorities;
b. Demonstrates clearly: a response to an identified need within the local community; that it has involved the local community in its development; and will benefit the local community;
c. Provides a response to new or emerging issues (which had not previously been identified as an investment priority); or
d. Responds to "exceptional circumstances"

ii) The following are the current Investment Priorities for this Area Partnership-

- Vulnerable People
- Youth Employment
- Thriving Places
- Alcohol
- Cleansing and the Environment

Recommendations

The Area Partnership is asked to:

a) note the budget position for 2023/24; and

b) note applications considered under Delegated Functions; and

c) consider the Recommendations on applications received for Area Budget funding in 2023/24, as detailed in Appendix One.

Appendix One

Victoria Park Area Partnership Applications 2023/24

Applicant / Project Title and PRN	Project Description /Purpose of Award	Area Partnership Priority	Total Project Costs (inc. Match funding)	Amount Requested	Recommendation inc. Specific Conditions of Grant
Weekday Wow Factor <u>Project Title</u> Weekday wow factor meet, eat and dance sessions (weekday wow factor Daytime discos) PRN 439/22	Weekday Wow Factor aims to enhance physical, mental, social health and wellbeing of older adults of all ages and abilities. To reduce loneliness, leisure and health inequalities and ageism. Weekday Wow Factor was established in 2017 and provides accessible, fun and exciting daytime leisure activities for older adults. Since COVID19 lockdown, the organisation began taster sessions of their daytime discos with hot lunch, games, dancing, singing and foot tapping to pop tunes picked by community members. They carried out this testing of their ideas monthly across the city from August to December 2022. So 5 sessions in each area to see if local community members felt it met their needs or not: Darnley (Darnley community center) last session was held in Thornliebank church hall as lack of hall availability in Darnley. Most community members were from Darnley, Easterhouse (St George and St Peter's Church (in kind contributions), Govan (Riverside Halls - In kind contributions), Drumchapel (St Mark's church Hall), Maryhill (Maryhill Hub) and the Gorbals (St Francis center (in kind contributions). The organisation have worked in partnership with Social Work (Local Area coordinators) from the three sectors of Glasgow – NE, NW and South – to identify areas of high priority in terms of Thriving places and Vulnerable people. Many Community members residing in these areas expressed feeling inactive, unmotivated and they reported this affected their physical and mental health. The organisation have also worked in partnership with the Daffodil club, Easterhouse and various older adults groups in the East including Cranhill Development Centre, as well as in the Gorbals with Thriving Places lead and New Gorbals Housing Association and NHS health promotion. In Darnley, they have worked in partnership with Glenoaks Housing Association who identified individual community members from the local area who may benefit from this community group. These Partners and community members feedback via online and paper survey reveal Community members are keen for a one year long pilot of these activities. A brand new pilot is proposed in Possil as the local organisation Possibilities report community members are keen on these activities in their local area. Weekday Wow Factor are applying for funding from the Area Partnership, under the priority of assisting Vulnerable People and Families in the area.	Vulnerable people	£36,559.20 <u>Match funding</u> Applicant/ Weekday Wow Factor = £4,399.20 i.e. Accountant, Community Development Officer, Social Media Officer and Co-ordinator costs (£3,297.20) Insurance, leaflets and marketing apps costs (£1,102.00)	£3,540.00 Total amount of funding requested = £32,160.00 Pro-Rata Amounts to be requested from 9 APs-as below- Govan - £3.540 Southside Central - £2,520 North East – £3,540 Partick East Kelvindale - £3,000 Maryhill - £3,540 Greater Pollok - £5,400 Victoria Park - £3,540 Drumchapel - £3,540 Canal - £3,540	For Consideration Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - -If the project is unable to go ahead (for COVID or any other reasons) the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council and return the funding as soon as possible and no later than 31st December 2023 to allow for Re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

	Weekday Wow Factor are working in Thriving Places, and looking to rebuild social connections by bringing community members together and to keep active using exciting and safe activities in South side areas of Glasgow. For Drumchapel / Anniesland ward priorities, the aim is for sustainable communities. In the North East, the priorities are for services for older adults and to improve health and wellbeing. This application is needed as community members reported after the pandemic that they were keen to meet fellow community members, to eat lunch together and to connect through music and conversations, to get more active, and to enhance their wellbeing. During the initial taster sessions, good outcomes were captured from community members and steady numbers of people attending, most returning the consecutive months. The community have been involved in the development of the project as a survey was carried out online and on paper and the responses revealed older adults want these daytime disco and hot lunch opportunities as it helps to be more active through a fun activity and to connect to enhance wellbeing. The pilots that Weekday Wow Factor wish to deliver are based on feedback from local people, including providing feedback during and after a session, feedback about the volume of music, the type of sandwiches, picking playlist for the sessions, and start and finish times. Weekday Wow Factor will have some activities such as quizzes and board games to enhance cognitive health. It is anticipated a total of 30 local Residents from Ward 12 will participate in the monthly sessions (x12) within Victoria Park Bowling Club. Weekday Wow Factor are currently looking at securing longer term funding from a range of funders in order to ensure this service longer term within the local community. <u>Breakdown of Costs</u> - Victoria Park Bowling Club - Venue cost = £45.00; - Food/drink/plates/cups £5 per person x 30 community members = £150.00; - DJ = £40.00; - Facilitator - £60.00; **Total Cost of Project = £3,540.00** (£295.00 x 12 months) No: of Beneficiaries – 30 Date of Project: April 2023 – March 2024			*Beneficiaries per ward area- 30 - 50*	

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Victoria Park Community Trust <u>Project Title</u> Embankment Planting PRN: 290/23	VPCT are seeking funding for embankment planting in front of the Still Game Bench which was subject to an Area partnership Award last year, and is in the location of one of the most iconic views within the park. The previous AP award funded the civil engineering work around the Still Game Bench by reconfiguring the levels and resurfacing the viewpoint which is now more accessible for wheelchairs and buggies. This new application is intended to cover a soft landscaping scheme on the steep embankment that leads down from the Bench towards the formal gardens and flower beds. The embankment has large areas of exposed soil which have emerged following a scrub clearance exercise by GCC Parks and the soil is now at risk of erosion. The proposed soft landscaping scheme is intended to help stabilise the soil and also to provide a much enhanced view from the lower formal gardens back up to the Still Game Bench. The proposed planting scheme is based on treating the most visually important areas of the slope and incorporates a combination of evergreen or semi-evergreen ground cover plants to help secure the soil interspersed with accent woody perennial shrubs for accent and colour highlights. The species mix is made up of hardy plants which should grow well in this location and which require little ongoing maintenance once established. The planting work would be undertaken by VPCT, FoVP and volunteers as part of the Trust's ongoing programme of community involvement and would be undertaken in Autumn 2023. The work would include removing all remaining sycamore saplings and weeds, incorporating non-peat based compost into the soil, pit planting the new plants and adding a layer of bark mulch. This project will deliver one project within VPCT's Environmental Plan (EP), itself informed by GCC's Biodiversity and Climate Plan. The actions in the EP were informed by a public consultation, conducted in 2021, on the development of the park. The beneficiaries are park users and volunteers from local organisations who we hope to engage in the work (e.g. the Annex Communities, The Patrick John Muir Group and Whiteinch and Scotstoun Housing	Cleansing and the Environment	£1,870.00 <u>Match funding</u> None	£1,870.00	Consider award of £1,870.00 Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - -If the project is unable to go ahead (for COVID or any other reasons) the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council and return the funding as soon as possible and no later than 30th November 2023 to allow for Re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

	Association) as well as local resident volunteers. Over 20,000 people live in Victoria Park ward and many people who visit the park consider this area to be the most important and enjoyable viewpoint. The project links to GCC's objectives for a cleaner, safer city and improving health and well-being. All items below supplied by McClarens Nurseries, with the exception of "Bark Mulk Bulk Bags x 3" which are supplied by Jordanhill Garden Supplies. <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - 30 Hypericum Calycinum = £245.00 - 6 Jasminium Nufiflorum = £60.00 - 12 Ceonothus Thyrsiflorus = £90.00 - 13 Echinops Sphaerocephalus = £150.00 - 16 Crocosmia Lucifer = £20.00 - 40 Lamium Galeobdolon = £250.00 - 40 Hebe Pinguifolia Pagei = £250.00 - 30 Galium Odeoratum = £185.00 - 18 Hedera Hibernica = £110.00 - Compost – 20 x 60 litre bags = £140.00 - 3 Bark Mulch Bulk Bags = £270.00 - Delivery Costs = £100.00 **Total Cost of Project = £1,870.00**				

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West Glasgow New Church <u>Project Title</u> 'Club Silent' - Youth Club Event PRN: 286/23	West Glasgow New Church have been in discussions with young people about how they can provide them with opportunities and provisions in the Whiteinch Community, particularly on Friday nights. After speaking with young people in the community, and on the back of their Connect in the City holiday event, the West Glasgow New Church came up with the idea of starting a late-night Friday club experience – Club Silent – a new youth club event in the heart of Whiteinch, buzzing with energy and excitement on Friday nights with a twist – it's a silent club, which means everyone wears headphones when dancing to their favourite songs. The plan is for this event to run bi-weekly. The goal of this project is not just to have fun, but also to create a safe space for the young people in Whiteinch (S2+ age group). The organisation wants to provide opportunities that helps reduce potential criminal behaviour or harmful habits, including alcohol abuse. Young people will be involved in the planning, advertising, and managing of the project. The Church believes in their potential, and believe it will provide them with valuable skills they can use in the future. Through this project, the Church is hoping to create a supportive and caring environment where everyone feels heard and feels valued. <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - Harry Silent Disco Headphones x 60 = £1,739.40 - Multi-Charger for Harry Headphones x 4 = £99.96 - Donkey Silent Disco Transmitter x 3 = £164.97 - Doug Storage Contained x 2 = £53.98 - VAT for all items above = £411.31 **Total Cost of Project = £2,470.00** No: of Beneficiaries: 50 Date of Project: September 2023 to March 2024	Vulnerable People Youth Employment Thriving Places Alcohol	£2,470.00 <u>Match funding</u> None	£2,470.00	Consider Award of £2,470.00 Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - -If the project is unable to go ahead (for COVID or any other reasons) the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council and return the funding as soon as possible and no later than 30th November 2023 to allow for Re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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National Autistic Society - Glasgow Branch <u>Project Title</u> NAS Glasgow Branch – Autism Guest Speakers PRN: 268/23	Autistic people are very vulnerable because they: • can have difficulty understanding social cues and communication • can be very trusting and have a limited understanding of risk • can have difficulty telling others what is happening to them • can be viewed as targets – perpetrators assume it will be easy to lure them into an exploitative situation and assume that they will be unlikely to tell others what happened • can be viewed by society as 'different' • can be socially isolated and – for some – unable to live ordinary lives, unable to live independently, unable to manage finances, and unable to enter relationships. The National Autistic Society (Glasgow) are seeking funding for Autism specific guest speakers (x 4 speakers) who will speak on specific autism related topics such as "autism sensory needs", "autism behaviour and communication" and other topics, to allow parents and carers of autistic people to be better equipped to deal with the day to day realities of autism. The parent and carers group is a drop in session, so the number of attendees varies, but the branch generally attracts around 20 attendees at each monthly meeting, which takes place on the first Tuesday of each month. The plan is to have a guest speaker present at every second meeting, and with 4 guest speakers, this project would therefore take place over approximately 2 months. <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - "Encouraging positive social interaction and communication" guest speaker session (Tanya Tennant) = £250.00 - "Fostering a positive Autistic identity for wellbeing" guest speaker session (Dr Chloe Farahar) = £200.00 - "Autistic masking and burnout" guest speaker session (Kieran Rose) = £250.00 - "Sensory Needs" guest speaker session (Tanya Tennant) = £250.00 **Total Cost of Project = £950.00**	Vulnerable People	£950.00 <u>Match funding</u> None	£950.00	Consider Award of £950.00 Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - -If the project is unable to go ahead (for COVID or any other reasons) the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council and return the funding as soon as possible and no later than 30th November 2023 to allow for Re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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St Thomas Aquinas Secondary School <u>Project Title</u> Parliament Trip PRN: 250/23	This school is seeking funding for bus hire for educational day trips. On the 26th of October, 60 pupils aged approx.15 years old (and 6 or 4 staff depending on staffing requirements) will travel to Edinburgh to attend First Minister's Questions at the Scottish Parliament, and will then have the opportunity to ask MSP Bill Kidd about his job and his role in Parliament. This trip would link directly to elements of the Democracy module/unit that the pupils are studying, and will bring this module into life as the pupils watch democracy in action. This project demonstrates a fit with the wider Council or Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Priorities, as it demonstrates a response to an identified need within the local community; that it has involved the local community in its development; and will benefit the local community; bus hire for day trips. <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - 70 seater coach hire for full day to cover transport to and from Edinburgh (TBC) = £600.00 - Lunch for pupils and staff (60 + 6) (Parliament Café) = £400.00 **Total Cost of Project = £1,000.00** No: of Beneficiaries: 60 (64 or 66 if including staff) Date of Project: 26th October 2023	See second paragraph under Purpose of Award	£1,000.00 <u>Match funding</u> None	£1,000.00	Consider award of £750.00 Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - -If the project is unable to go ahead (for COVID or any other reasons) the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council and return the funding as soon as possible and no later than 30th November 2023 to allow for Re-allocation of funding within the financial year.

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Glasgow Wood Recycling <u>Project Title</u> Improving Our Environment – Vehicle Purchase PRN: 295/23	Glasgow Wood is seeking assistance to improve their environmental footprint and to continue supporting their community and individuals in need by maintaining their sustainable social enterprise activities. Glasgow Wood Recycling are requesting funding to upgrade their vehicle to make sure they can operate and comply within the city's Low Emissions Zone. As a reuse and recycling charity, Glasgow Wood is working on a daily basis to minimise waste and to lower their carbon footprint. Their activities require them to work across the city to collect wood waste from businesses, including Glasgow city Council and the general public. The charity then brings collected wood waste back to their base in Whiteinch to sort and retrieve any timber which can be reused or sold in their workshop or retail unit. Glasgow Wood Recycling provide a delivery service to customers across the city and all together the trading income they generate supports them to remain a sustainable Glasgow social enterprise. Through these activities, they are able to employ 19 staff and to offer 35 volunteer places per month. Individuals from a wide variety of backgrounds and referring organisations come to Glasgow Wood to improve wellbeing and confidence and to learn skills which may lead to employment. At the moment 12 of their existing 19 staff were either volunteers previously or gained employment following taking part in employment programmes. Glasgow Wood can confirm they are able to meet the running costs of the vehicle (e.g. insurance, maintenance, repairs) over a minimum period of three years. <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - Euro Class 6 Luton Van (Auto Trader) = £17,450.00 **Total Cost of Project = £17,450.00** **Total Amount Requested = £5,973.00** No: of Beneficiaries: 60+	Cleansing and the Environment	£17,450.00 <u>Match funding</u> Glasgow Wood = £5,000.00 *[Confirmed]* Social Investment Scotland = £6,477.00 *[Pending]*	£5,973.00	Consider Award of £5,973.00 Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - -If the project is unable to go ahead (for COVID or any other reasons) the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council and return the funding as soon as possible and no later than 30th November 2023 to allow for Re-allocation of funding within the financial year.