On The Ball Academy - Presentation noted etc.

4 There was noted a presentation by Ryan Docherty, Director, On The Ball Academy regarding plans for Danes Drive Regeneration Project advising

(1) of the plans for a brand new all-weather football pitch and upgrade of the park area that would be offered to local schools and provide free access 7 days a week, training, educating families through football, football camps and work with other local organisations;

(2) that a state of the art facility would provide a more active, safe space, 1000 hours free time to play for children that would allow progression and achievement of goals for the local community;

(3) the event that took place on 1st July 2023 at the site to discuss plans, any concerns that local people may have had about their plans for the area and of the results from engagement with people at the event;

(4) of the various methods of engagement that had been used with local residents, stakeholders, children, families and community groups; and

(5) that the project would be affordable, accessible and have access to green space that would provide opportunities for children and their families to access and develop their sporting skills and unlock their potential.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the presentation and raised questions in relation to the affordability and funding of the project;

(b) of the caution to be used by On The Ball Academy in relation to the engagement techniques and questions that should meet national standards, that were responded to by Julia Lapthorn (Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability) who advised that work with On The Ball Academy would be provided to support the group through the engagement process and of the next stages of the application made by On The Ball academy to the People Make Glasgow Communities; and

(c) raised concerns in relation to the existing bowling club and assurance that the drainage would not be affected which Ryan Docherty advised their would be more detail in the final plans and discussion nearer the time.