Item 1

9th November 2022

EAST CENTRE AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 31st August 2022, by video conference.

Present: Councillor Declan Blench (Chair); Bailie Annette Christie; and Councillor Kieran Turner, Glasgow City Council; Station Commander Barry Cranstoun, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Mairi McLachlan, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Chief Inspector Greg Roberton, Police Scotland; William McLachlan, Gartcraig Community Council; and James Smith, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network.

Apologies: Councillor Ann Jenkins; Paul Conroy, Springboig and Barlanark Community Council; Maire McCairns, Cranhill Community Council; Christine McCarron, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; and Chief Inspector Scott Simpson and Inspector Lesley Docherty, Police Scotland.

Attending: A Croall (Clerk); A Moore and D Speirs (for the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities); M Lundie and K McCormick, (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and O Pawluk, Thriving Places.

Appointment of substitute approved.

1 In terms of paragraph 6.10 of the Governance Framework, the Partnership noted that in the absence of the representative and substitute representative from Police Scotland, the Chair had approved the attendance of Chief Inspector Greg Roberton, Police Scotland.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

2 The minutes of 8th June 2022 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework - Membership Update noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding membership of this Partnership, advising that Mairi McLachlan had replaced Michelle Hunt as the representative for Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

Variation in order of business.

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

Police Scotland Ward Update noted.

5 There was heard and noted a verbal update by Chief Inspector Greg Roberton, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership

(1) that he had been in post for the East Centre area since July 2022;

(2) that isolated events had occurred in the area that had involved on street violence and investigations had been progressing, that included work with partners to reduce this type of activity;

(3) of the ongoing problem of unreported incidents that had involved neighbour disputes and encouraged the public to report to Police Scotland; and

(4) that there had been no notable trend within the Ward of concern and that engagement had commenced in the community particularly with the return of pupils to school after the holidays were the campus police officers remained active.

After consideration, the Partnership noted and thanked Police Scotland for their valuable participation in the local events and engagement with the local community.

A New Model for Area Partnerships - Report noted.

6 There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the new model for Area Partnerships, advising of

(1) an update on the 3 pilot Citizens' Panels and the next stages going forward;

(2) the successful event in the City Chambers on 20th August 2022 that had received good input from over 60 community councils that had attended;

(3) the range of information available for East Centre Area Partnership to assist members identify local priorities for the Local Area Action Plan and the change to the Governance Framework for additional members to be co-opted onto Area Partnerships;

(4) that the Strategic Innovation and Technology Team (SIIT) were embracing the use of digital technology and that a series of Ward/Area Partnership level digital dashboards had been made available to elected members and officers that would progress to other stakeholders and the public;

(5) that the (SIIT) welcomed the opportunity to provide demonstrations on the dashboards and training for Area Partnership members;

(6) an update on the Local Area Action Plan and City's Community Action Plan to help align local and citywide priorities;

(7) a guidance and a template for the Local Area Action Plan;

(8) of the plan to consider the preferred venue and format for the next meeting, identifying local venues where appropriate;

(9) the proposals on how communication would be improved across the Partnership and details of training and ongoing support for members who were asked to complete the attached proforma at Appendix 6 of the report and email to Derek.Speirs@glasgow.gov.uk by 7th October 2022; and

(10) an update of the future of the Sector Partnerships.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report and the new extended timeframe for the implementation of the 3 pilot Citizens' Panels and rollout across the City;

(b) welcomed a digital dashboard workshop and training sessions in the future from the Strategic Innovation and Technology Team;

(c) agreed that continued work to reach out to the young people in the community for representation was required with Education Services and partners to engage with young people from local schools to have their voices heard at Area Partnership level; and

(d) made suggestions for the preferred options for the next Area Partnership meeting.

Festive Lighting 2022/23 – Funding approved.

7 With reference to the minutes of 8th June 2022 when the Area Partnership agreed that a report be brought back providing costings for locations in the Ward, there was heard a verbal report by Mr Martin Lundie, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), advising

(1) of the festive lighting locations for the Ward delivered as part of the 2021/22 programme; and

(2) of the costs for the 2022/23 festive lighting programme.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) agreed and approved the locations for festive lighting installations for the 2022/23 programme; and

(c) approved the additional funding of £15,300 from the Area Partnership budget.

Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund – Partial funding approved – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

8 With reference to the minutes of 8th June 2022 when the Area Partnership agreed that an updated report be brought back providing a further breakdown of details for locations in the Ward, there was submitted a report by Mr Kevin McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), advising of the revised list of options for investment of this Fund within the East Centre following recent engagement, with a breakdown of costs totalling £89,200, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) thanked Mr K McCormick for the report;

(c) continued consideration of the option for investment at Greenfield Park as detailed in the report;

(d) approved the partial funding of projects totalling £51,700, as detailed in the appendix to these minutes; and

(e) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability provide a report to the next meeting with further costings, including the cost of a slide at Greenfield Park and Danny's Park, including details of a wider community consultation to facilitate a walk around.

Roads Investment Strategy within Ward 18 – Withdrawn.

9 This item was withdrawn.

East Centre Infrastructure Fund 2022/23 – Update noted etc.

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

(1) that the timeframe for the £1m of investment for the Ward was over a 5 year period until 2027;

(2) that a further engagement plan was required and that a range of consultations, both digitally and face to face with the community would be needed in order that suggestions for the use of the funds from residents of the East Centre Ward could be put forward; and

(3) that at the next meeting a plan would be brought back to the Partnership with details of the consultation process.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Mr Lundie.

Progress Report – Thriving Places Springboig/Barlanark – Update noted.

11 There was submitted and noted a report by the Community Connector that provided an update to the Partnership on the progress of the work of Thriving Places Springboig/Barlanark since January 2022, advising

(1) of the new information subgroup that would help to improve access to information and a booklet co-designed with community members that had been published online, with 300 copies printed and distributed in community centres and shops;

(2) of the findings of the Thriving Places Survey Report concluded in March 2022 that assisted the Community Connector's work plan for 2022/23;

(3) of the contributions made to organisations/projects from the Seed Fund from January 2022 as detailed in the report and of the available balance of £4,358;

(4) invited local groups and projects to apply to the Seed Fund and encourage members of the Partnership to promote the Seed Fund; and

(5) at the end of the month Ola Pawluk would be leaving the position as Community Connector, Thriving Places and a replacement would be considered.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Ola Pawluk for all her hard work as Community Connector in the area and wished her well in the future.

Multi Member Ward Plan Update - Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Ward Update noted etc.

12 There was submitted a report by Station Commander Barry Cranstoun, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the Ward for the period from 1st April to 30 June 2022, advising

(1) of 19% accidental dwelling fires in the Ward area caused by human factors, 22% non fire casualties and 83% automated fire detections;

(2) that there had been no notable hotspots or high level of activity in the area; and

(3) that continued engagement and educating the public was required to maintain prevention of accidental fires.

After consideration and having heard Station Commander Barry Cranstoun, SFRS, the Partnership noted the report, thanked Station Commander Barry Cranstoun for the update.

Area Budget 2021/22 - Final Monitoring Statement noted.

13 There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the Area Budget for 2021/2022, providing a final monitoring statement in relation to projects previously funded.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the final monitoring statement, that £114,690.77 had been allocated to various projects in the East Centre Ward leaving a balance of £0.59 as detailed in the appendix to this report.

Area Budget 2022/23 - Applications for funding dealt with etc.

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 2020/21 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 details of the current position with the 2022/23 Area Budget, advising

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

(2) that East Centre Area Partnership's Budget for 2022/23 was £114,591.36;

(3) that the Area Partnership had allocated £34,437.50 to date, leaving a balance of £80,153.86 to be allocated and spent by 31st March 2023; and

(4) 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) the 1 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*
Christ Healing Evangelical Church	Towards the cost of an event to help improve	Awarded £5.000

	diversity, enlighten people in the community of various ethnic backgrounds and beliefs to help foster community integration in Cranhill	
Cranhill Development Trust	Towards the cost to purchase security, health and safety equipment to provide a safer environment for local residents, volunteers and staff	Awarded £10,959
Glasgow Girls FC	Towards the cost to repair and replace the roof, gutter and render of the building	Awarded £8,360
Community Events Scotland	Towards the costs associated with a firework display on 5th November 2022 at Glasgow Fort	Awarded £5,000
The Croft Visitors Support and Advice Centre, Barlinnie	Towards the costs to fund a 16-week pilot of additional support themed activities/events to family visits, distributing vouchers, food, activity, wellbeing/personal care packages	Rejected as application was ineligible as it was unknown whether the beneficiaries resided in Ward 18
Fuse Youth Cafe	Towards costs for consultation fees to provide costs and plans for an identified site at Greenfield Park to deliver various services to children and young people in the Greenfield community	Awarded £11,000

APPENDIX

EAST CENTRE AREA PARTNERSHIP – LOCAL PARKS AND OPEN SPACES – ALLOCATION OF PROJECT FUNDING TOTALLING £51,700 FOR 2022/23

Option Number	*Location*	*Project*	*Total allocation*
1	Lethamhill Road Play Park	Supply and install new park signage, refurbishment of entrance including replacing railings and repair of kerb edges, additional benches near play area, installation of double gate, supply of trees and bulbs	£12,700
2	Budhill Park Play Area	Play area refurbishment project, including items for purchase and installation- swings, toddler unit, wheelchair carousal, trampoline, springees, spica, repair and painting of existing play equipment	£38,200
3	Danny's Park	Soft landscaping works to include native bulb and tree planting to improve sight lines into the park from Larchgrove Road, following secure by design principals	£800