Item 10

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Glasgow Community Planning Partnership
Victoria Park Area Partnership

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AREA BUDGET 2022/23 APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING

Purpose of Report:

To provide Members with details of:

1. the current position in relation to the Victoria Park Area Partnership's Area Budget for 2022/23;

2. applications considered under Delegated Authority; and

3. to consider Recommendations on Applications for funding that have been received since the last meeting of the Area Partnership.

Recommendations:

The Area Partnership is asked to

(1) note the budget position for 2022/23, including Carry Forward from 2021/22, as detailed in Section 1.3 of the Report;

(2) note the applications considered under Delegated Authority; and

(3) consider the Recommendations on Applications received for Area Budget funding in 2022/23, as detailed in Appendix One, attached to this report.

1. Background

1.1 On 29th August 2019, the Council's City Administration Committee approved the proposed budget for the Glasgow Communities Fund for the next three financial years. The proposed budget included funding for Area Partnerships and an assumption that the total allocation to Area Partnerships is maintained at least at 2019/20 levels i.e. £1,864,968.

1.2 Glasgow City Council's City Administration Committee, on 12th March 2020, allocated funding for Area Partnerships for the period 2020/21 to 2022/23, subject to available resources. The area budget for Victoria Park Area Partnership for 2022/23 is £59,732.90

1.3 Some Area Partnerships were unable to fully allocate their budget in 2021/22. In these circumstances, any funding left unallocated at the end of the financial year was to be included in a carry forward request, to be considered by the Council's City Administration Committee in late May or June 2022. This meeting took place on 22nd June 2022 and the request to Carry Forward unallocated 2021/22 Area Budget Funding was Approved.
Therefore, in line with the above, for this Area Partnership, the carry forward amount from 2021/22 is £1,210.50 and has been added to the 2022/23 Area Budget. The Total Amount of Area Budget Funding Allocation for the Victoria Park Area Partnership in 2022/23 is **£60,943.40.**

2. Area Budget Expenditure to Date

2.1 To date, Victoria Park Area Partnership has committed a total of £46,684.96 (76.6%%) to various projects in the area, leaving a balance of **£14,258.44 (23.4%)** unallocated.

2.2 To date, £2,737.94 of funding has been allocated under Delegated Authority from the 2022/23 Victoria Park – Ward 12 area budget. This amount is included in the total amount committed given above.

3. Applications dealt with under the Scheme of Delegated Functions

3.1. Three applications have been considered under the Scheme of Delegated Functions since the previous meeting of the Area Partnership held on 7th September 2022. Details are provided below, for information:

Applicant/ PRN	Project Title	Project Description	AP Investment Priority	Recommendation/ Decision	Conditions/ Comments
Sandy Road Community Garden (SRCG) PRN 267/17	Raised Bed Restoration, Autumn '22	SRCG contains fifteen raised beds constructed of wood which, over the years, naturally degrades and rots requiring repair and replacement with freshly treated wood. SRCG have recently upgraded some of the wooden infrastructure and would now like to carry out further restoration work that would help the garden to function as a productive and safe place.	Thriving Places Cleansing and the Environment	Approve: **Award £462.94** Breakdown of Costs - Wood for repairing 2 beds = £439.00; - Timber fixing screws = £23.94; **Total Project Costs = £462.94**	Subject to Government Advice regarding COVID-19

Applicant/ PRN	Project Title	Project Description	AP Investment Priority	Recommendation/ Decision	Conditions/ Comments
Whiteinch Community Council PRN 503/19	Replace battery and pads to defibrillator located on Victoria Park toilet block	The Defib unit on the toilet block was installed over 2 years ago and the battery has come to its end of useful life and a fault error has identified the need for replacement of the Batteries and Pads.	Vulnerable People Thriving Places	Approve: **Award £300.00** <u>Breakdown of Costs</u> - supply of battery = £194.00; - disposable pads = £39.95; - shipping = £9.95; - vat = £48.78; - defibrillator advertising in community(materials, posters,paper,laminating) = £7.32 **Total Cost of Project = £300.00**	- Grant Recipient adhering to Government Advice with regard to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak; -organisation to explore alternative funding sources for future requirements of project.

Applicant/ PRN	Project Title	Project Description	AP Investment Priority	Recommendation/ Decision	Conditions/ Comments
Victoria Park Community Trust (VPCT) PRN 176/22	Annual admin costs and setup software costs	VPCT applying for a grant to help the organisation operate. VPCT (launched 2021) has no other source of income and outgoings are solely for admin purposes and still requires assistance with establishing its profile within the community; funding requested to cover costs for a meeting room for 3 months from January 2023, to pay for the one off costs to design the VPCT logo and to pay for the annual support of the website.	*'strong case for consideration'*	Approve: **Award £499.00** <u>Breakdown of Costs</u> -Heart Of Scotstoun Community Centre monthly room hire = £84.00; -VPCT website renewal costs budgetary = £190.00; -VPCT Logo digital stage = £225.00; **Total Cost of Project = £499.00**	Subject to Government Advice regarding COVID-19

Applicant/ PRN	Project Title	Project Description	AP Investment Priority	Recommendation/ Decision	Conditions/ Comments
Police Scotland (PS) PRN 235/22	Glasgow West End - Bogus caller prevention	To purchase personal attack alarms for planned community safety / education programme to target the most vulnerable members in communities via PS funded leaflets; providing them with safety advice and guidance on how to identify bogus callers and scam telephone calls in order to keep themselves safe from harm.	Vulnerable People	Approve: **Award £480.00**	Subject to Government Advice regarding COVID-19

4. Area Budget Funding Applications

4.1 **Appendix One** provides a summary of the applications that require consideration by the Area Partnership. 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;

4.2 **Appendix One** provides a summary of each application 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);

4.3 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. However, given the slightly higher amount of funding available this year – the maximum amount is **£6,094.00**.

4.4 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

4.5 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.

5. Area Budget Investment Priorities – Victoria Park/Ward 12

5.1 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 -

1. 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

6. Recommendations

The Area Partnership is asked to

a) note the budget position for 2022/23;

b) note the applications considered under Delegated Authority; and

c) consider the Recommendations on Applications received for Area Budget funding in 2022/23, as detailed in Appendix One, attached to this report.

Appendix One

Victoria Park Area Partnership Applications 2022/23

Applicant / Project Title and PRN	Purpose of Award	Area Partnership Priority	Total Project Costs (inc. Match funding)	Amount Requested	Recommendation inc. Specific Conditions of Grant
The Whiteinch Centre Ltd (TWC) <u>Project Title</u> Socially Good PRN 128/22	Whiteinch Centre (TWC) is a community controlled charitable third sector organisation established to oversee the facility management of the Whiteinch Centre and the promotion of improving community spirit and cohesion across the whiteinch area. TWC also work with residents to improve social capital for disadvantaged families on the margins of society and offer opportunities that support improving and sustain positive economic and social positions. TWC thrives on equipping local residents with the skills and motivation to improve their community through volunteering and occupational opportunities. TWC is a popular venue for events, and have been able to offer community opportunities to engage in events and activities in the main hall. TWC would like to apply for funding to renew the chairs in the main hall with lighter, safer, and more manageable equipment that supports the needs of the community served/ help to set up/down the event space some of whom have mobility issues that prevent them from participating in activities; currently the chairs are too cumbersome for older and less able-bodied individuals to move. TWC aim to purchase sturdy long lasting ergonomic equipment to give community members more control over objects they use in the centre environment and play a vital role I help people of all ages to develop their full potential and maintain their independence and improving social capital. "Levels of trust and social contact with friends and relatives, Glasgow has lower levels of social capital than other UK cities. The social capital measures gathered here highlight a split in behaviour and attitudes between those living in our deprived and non-deprived communities, with social capital generally being lower in more deprived neighbourhoods" (https://www.understandingglasgow.com/indicators/social_capital/overview) *Cont'd below*	Vulnerable People	£6,703.20 <u>Match funding</u> None	£6,703.20	For Consideration Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - -The Grant Recipient adhering to Government Advice with regard to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak; -If the project cannot take place the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council if it can be re-scheduled and project delivered/funds spent by 31st March 2023; -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 early as possible but no later than 1st December 2022, to enable the Partnership to re-allocate the funds within the financial year 2022/23.

	TWC offers a friendly and relaxed environment where local people can meet and access a range of services and activities and has had over 7,000 visits in years 2021/2022 coming from local areas in Glasgow Northwest and more than 44 groups are offering a range of support services and classes. TWC helps develop inspiring projects and community-led activities that bring together residents, small groups and local businesses who engage with disadvantaged individuals and groups in the development of services and activities that encourage active community participation. All the furnishings – tables and chairs - were purchased in 2006 when the Centre opened. Unfortunately, they are no longer fit for purpose and have been highlighted as high risk in recent Health and Safety reviews. The weight and design of the tables are increasingly causing operational issues. TWC were also gifted with chairs form COP26 however these have proven to be bulky, difficult to move safely and not suitable for events. TWC serves as a vital hub where people can interact, learn, and receive essential services. The award will increase opportunities for participation, increase skill development, engagement in volunteering activities as well as social, cultural, and economic development for over 3,500 community members. <u>Additional Information – Answers in Red to Questions – Applicant was asked</u> 1.To confirm what was being replaced in terms of furniture in the Whiteinch Centre i.e. is it the furniture that is used in main hall that is being replaced? And /or any other parts of the centre? The furniture needing replaced is in the main hall, we do utilise these tables and chairs on occasion throughout the building when necessary. 2. What would happen to the old / redundant furniture? ; the furniture from 2006 is perhaps not reusable but what will happen to it? How will it be disposed of? Inc. Is there a cost to this?, if so, please provide details; The old furniture will be donated to the garden project and our upholstering groups to repurpose and reuse. The COP 26 furniture /chairs was good quality – where is it going? How will it be disposed of? Inc. will there be a cost to this?, if so, please provide details; As stated the COP 26 Furniture/Chairs are currently being used by the garden team, upholstering group and our food pantry. *Cont'd below*				

	Breakdown of Costs: -208 chairs and 2 x chair trolleys = £4,689.60; -20 x folding event tables x2 trolleys = £2,013.60; **Total Cost of Project = £6,703.20** No: of Beneficiaries: 3,500 Date of Project: tbc				
Broomhill Community Council (BCC) <u>Project Title</u> Crow Road Planters and Seating Refurbishment PRN 200/22	Broomhill Community Council (BCC) aims to represent the people of Broomhill and work on their behalf to make Broomhill a worthwhile place to live and work. In the area of Crow Road between the Kothel and Olivia's Gelateria are 21 cement planters, 5 of which have seating. BCC have discovered that they were placed on Crow Road in the late 90's by Glasgow City Council. After further investigation it appears the council are not responsible for the planters and their upkeep. It has been identified by BCC and members of the local community that these planters are in need of serious refurbishment involving pressure cleaning, replanting of shrubs/flowers and new seating. The refurbishment of the planters in Crow Road will improve the area aesthetically increasing pride in the local area. It will also encourage residents and visitors to spend more time in the area increasing footfall to local independent shops, cafes and restaurants benefitting local businesses; the seating is in serious disrepair at the moment and as such is a health and safety concern. The seating is primarily used by children, families, the disabled and elderly as a place to rest in this busy thoroughfare. BCC requests funding to undertake this refurbishment enhancing the local area and improving the safety and the wellbeing of Broomhill residents and visitors. Moving forward BCC aims to encourage local residents, Broomhill Primary School gardening club and local businesses to get involved in the replanting and upkeep of new shrubs/flowers. <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - Pressure Wash = £400.00; - Seating Materials and installation = £1,000.00; - New plants, soil and removal of old = £1,000.00 **-Total Cost of Project = £2,400.00**	Vulnerable People Thriving Places	£2,400.00 <u>Match funding</u> Broomhill Community Council=£300.00 *(confirmed)*	£2,100.00	Consider an Award of £2,100.00 Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - -The Grant Recipient adhering to Government Advice with regard to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak; -If the project cannot take place the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council if it can be re-scheduled and project delivered/funds spent by 31st March 2023; -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 early as possible but no later than 1st December 2022, to enable the Partnership to

	No: of Beneficiaries: approx.13000+ Date of Project: November 22 to complete March 23				re-allocate the funds within the financial year 2022/23.
Sandy Road Community Garden(SRCG) <u>Project Title</u> Garden Maintenance and Development, Winter '22 PRN 267/17	Sandy Road Community Garden(SRCG) is a Community Group with objectives that include: • To sustain and improve the local environment • To grow fruit and vegetables for association members' personal consumption • To expand the project beyond the Sandy Road site, into the wider community • To promote organic gardening etc These objectives are delivered in various ways, including regular meetings and 'activity days' where all members are encouraged to congregate and undertake shared tasks. SRCG has turned a formerly derelict site into a thriving greenspace for local residents and employees to enjoy and for local wildlife to feed and shelter. Using a combination of external funding, contributions from local partners and resources within our membership, SRCG have steadily been working on the site over recent years to maintain and improve the infrastructure and are now in a position to plan the completion of this work and to explore new opportunities for helping the garden to be more eco-friendly and self-sufficient. Raised bed repair has been a key aspect of recent maintenance work; natural degradation had caused most of the beds to fall into a state of disrepair and have steadily replaced the rotten wood. SRCG now only have one remaining bed requiring work, for which require to purchase timber. Rather than also purchasing the services of a labourer to assemble this timber, SRCG would do this ourselves using our newly-acquired skills, with the back-up option of no-cost labour from a local construction company as part of their Community Benefits commitments. (SRCG retain a supply of wood treatment products left over from the previous work, which would use on the new timber to ensure a lifespan longer than that of the timber being replaced). Previous wood purchases have been made via Glasgow Wood Recycling, a local charity and social enterprise whose ethical values align with SRCGs. *Cont'd below* SRCG would like to return to them, to ensure that the funding delivers	Thriving Places Cleansing and the Environment	£1,804.49 <u>Match funding</u> None	£1,804.49	Consider an Award of £1,804.49 Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - -The Grant Recipient adhering to Government Advice with regard to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak; -If the project cannot take place the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council if it can be re-scheduled and project delivered/funds spent by 31st March 2023; -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 early as possible but no later than 1st December 2022, to enable the Partnership to re-allocate the funds within the financial year 2022/23.

	social, environmental and economic benefits that extend to the Glasgow community beyond the garden. The poor state of the raised beds in recent years has limited the volume of soil able to be accommodated and would like to replenish depleted levels using peat-free, organic compost in line with commitment to climate-friendly gardening. Another site improvement that SRCG would like to complete is the resurfacing of our ground. Firstly, would like to lay slabs to form a path to our patio area; the slabbed patio area itself has been well-received, and the extension of this into a slabbed path would provide further benefits by improving accessibility for members and visitors who may travel by wheel and also by helping to limit weed growth and creating a more pleasant surface for everyone. The slabs have already been acquired for free, but skilled labour is required in order to ensure that they are laid safely. Also, SRCG would like to cover the remaining ground with play-grade bark; this has been trialled in a corner of the site with success, and extending it to the other (non-slabbed) areas of ground would help to provide a safe and comfortable surface for all members and visitors, especially the group of nursery children who attend regularly. Motivated by the success of these ongoing site improvements, SRCG are keen to trial something new e.g. existing rainwater harvesting system is an important part of the infrastructure, but the water it provides can only currently be dispersed by watering cans. SRCG have researched opportunities for a more effective system powered by green energy, and have identified a solar-powered hose as a potential solution. Harvesting energy from the sun via a PV panel and storing it in a battery, this system would use a small pump to fill a hose which could quickly and efficiently disperse water throughout the garden, making it easier for members to keep crops irrigated during dry spells, reducing our reliance on the mains-supplied water tap that is often used in favour of rainwater-fed watering cans. To support the delivery of these works and other repairs and improvements, SRCG would also like to expand its tool collection by purchasing a screwdriver, pliers and a mallet. *Cont'd below* <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u>				

	- Wood for repairing 1 bed = £261.00; - Compost = £523.96; - Slab-laying labour = £350.00; - Bark to cover remaining ground = £438.76; - Solar panel, battery, pump & hose = £197.95; - Tools = £32.82; **-Total Cost of Project = £1,804.49** No: of Beneficiaries: 25+ Date of Project: Winter '22				
Weekday Wow Factor (WWF) [Based c/o Linkes 200 Lincoln Avenue, Glasgow] <u>Project Title</u> Weekday wow factor meet, eat and dance sessions (weekday wow factor Daytime discos) PRN ?	Weekday Wow Factor (WWF) 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. WWF was established in 2017 and provides fun and exciting daytime leisure activities to older adults. WWF daytime discos since the coronavirus pandemic have grown in numbers and are now delivering services to other areas of the city. WWF have started pilot discos in Darnley, Partick, Easterhouse Drumchapel and the Gorbals. WWF have worked in partnership with Local Area co-ordinators from the three areas to identify areas of high priority. The funding if awarded would be used to meet the full cost of 24 discos around the city. WWF have held initial pilot discos in local community centres and would look to extend our pilots for a longer period of time in mainly these centers using the same facilities. The funding for the pilot discos was awarded by the National Lottery Awards for all. WWF discos breakdown the physical and mental health barriers felt by many and assist in improving health and well-being by leading a more active and healthy lifestyle and reduce leisure poverty, isolation, health inequalities loneliness and ageism. WWF are looking to secure funding to establish our daytime discos in Partick, Drumchapel, Whiteinch, Easterhouse, Gorbals and Darnley, following our successful extended pilot proposal. WWF applying for Ward 23 funding as begin new phase of pilot in Partick. The dates have not been set yet as awaiting the outcome of this funding before do so, generally hold these at regular venues once a month. WWF hope to deliver at mainly community centres within a month of receiving award, following a few weeks of planning and raising awareness of opportunities to benefit community members. <u>Breakdown of Costs:</u> - Catering 24 x discos = £2,400.00;	Vulnerable People	£14,180.00 <u>Match funding</u> None	£? tbc Application to be put forward for Consider-ation to a number of Area Partnerships Pro-Rata Amounts - tbc	Continue for further information Subject to the following Conditions of Grant - -The Grant Recipient adhering to Government Advice with regard to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak; -If the project cannot take place the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council if it can be re-scheduled and project delivered/funds spent by 31st March 2023; -If the project is unable to go ahead (for COVID or any other reasons) the Applicant must advise Glasgow City Council and

	- Support staff 24 x discos = £6,500.00; - DJ Hire 24 x discos = £1,440.00; - minibus costs 24 trips = £2,400.00; - hall hire x 24 = £1440.00 **Total Cost of Project = £14,180.00** No: of Beneficiaries: 40 -tbc Date of Project: ? tbc				return the funding as early as possible but no later than 1st December 2022, to enable the Partnership to re-allocate the funds within the financial year 2022/23.