Item 1

28th November 2023

DENNISTOUN AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 19th September 2023, City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Allan Casey (Chair), Bailie Anthony Carroll and Councillor Elaine McDougall, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Maxwell Shaw, 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; Ian Sheerer, Dennistoun Community Council; Josephine Donachy, Milnbank Housing Association; and Martin Lundie, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Attending: A Croall (Clerk); A Moore (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and J Hughes, E Scanlon and T Samuel (Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 25th April 2023 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework - Membership update noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding membership of this Partnership, advising that Inspector Maxwell Shaw had been nominated as representative and Chief Inspector Greg Roberton had been nominated as the substitute representative for Police Scotland.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund 2022/23 update noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding the Neighbourhood Infrastucture Fund, advising

(1) of an update on the progress of the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund that had been carried out and of the commitments to date that included 2 CCTV cameras, locations to be confirmed, with a 8 to 10 week lead time that would cost between £4,000 to £8,000 to fully implement and discussions regarding “off the shelf” Liveable Neighbourhood Projects for consideration, as detailed in the appendices to the report;

(2) of the community engagement process to inform the decision making process for the fund and a pilot programme of work, led by the Council’s Centre of Civic Innovation, to research existing systems etc and would be working with

the Policy and Corporate Governance team to run the system in a live testing environment, as detailed in the report;

(3) of redirected funding totalling £6m to be topped up in future budget years for road repairs, with details relating to the ward confirmed within the appendices to this report; and

(4) that Area Partnerships would still be expected to allocate the full £1m initially awarded and that a report would be provided to the next Partnership meeting with details of costings and Liveable Neighbourhood Projects for consideration, particularly the alignment of projects.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report and raised questions in relation to the engagement process and timelines involved;

(b) discussed the importance of engagement with the wider community, particularly young people, local schools and to identify potential gaps in representation across the ward and of the alignment of the Royston and Dennistoun Liveable Neighbourhood projects; and

(c) requested the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability to investigate the highest reports and hotspots for fly-tipping in the ward to identify locations for CCTV cameras to be situated.

Haghill Bin Hub Pilot update noted.

4 There was submitted a report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the installation of bin hubs within the Haghill area, advising

(1) that following on from the deployment of bin hubs in the Pollokshields area, phase 2 of the pilot would commence in the Haghill area on 23rd October 2023 and would affect properties and tenemental closes with the removal of bins from backcourts and large wheeled bins and would be replaced by 26 new purpose built kerbside bin hubs as detailed in appendices 2 and 3 of the report;

(2) that the new arrangements would provide more frequent collections, better recycling options, a safer working environment for staff, that would also help to reduce missed bin collections, and the bin hubs would be closely monitored for any antisocial behaviour including fly-tipping;

(3) of the information drop-in event in the Bluevale Community Centre on 5th October 2023 between 3pm to 8pm and information packs would be issued to residents 7 days ahead of the installation of the bin hubs and that additional information would be available on the following website – www.glasgow.gov.uk/streetbinhubs; and

(4) that details of the bespoke hub structure would contain new recycling bins for residents with improved uplift schedules as detailed in the report.

After consideration the Partnership noted the report and raised questions in relation to monitoring bin hubs, the design of the bins, the cleaning schedule and the provision of bags for food waste being provided that was responded to by Edward Scanlon and John Hughes.

Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund update noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

5 There was submitted a report by Thomas Samuel, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund providing an update on projects allocated within the ward for years 2021/22 and 2022/23, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

(1) noted the report and the frustration regarding the lengthy time frame and delay of projects;

(2) highlighted the importance of aligning projects with the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund and Liveable Neighbourhood projects; and

(3) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability provide an updated report regarding costings for the proposal at Alexander Park and Coll Place and delivery dates for all projects.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

6 There was heard and noted a report by Inspector Maxwell Shaw, Police Scotland, advising

(1) that he had taken up the post of Area Inspector at London Road and of his involvement with the community policing team and school campus officers;

(2) of the increase in vehicle crimes as a result of cars being left unsecured by their owners and a spike in house break-ins that had resulted in a positive line of enquiries and detections that had been made;

(3) that the main focus of local policing in the ward would be prioritised towards drug detection, supply, anti-social behaviour and of the continued work with local schools and campus police officers to programme diversionary activities with young people in the ward; and

(4) of the funding issues that would impact the structure, estates and police numbers and encouraged the public to continue to report incidents in order to target and prioritise resources.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

7 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 Quarter 1, from 1st April to 30th June 2023, advising

(1) that the Service had attended 1103 fires in the North East Sector during the first quarter of 2023 that had decreased from last year's Quarter 1 by 40 and that the only increase had came from false alarms with a small rise of 19;

(2) that the changes to Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals response from 1st July 2023 would see a significant reduction in the number of false alarm incidents attended by operational crews;

(3) there had been 144 deliberate fires, 162 accidental fires, 59 dwelling fires, 23 non-domestic fires, 325 home safety fire vistits and that there had been no fire fatalities this Quarter 1 in the North East area; and

(4) of the prevention and protection activities carried out by SFRS in the local community as detailed in the report particularly the engagement regarding automated external defibrillators and of the training on how to use the equipment.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report and thanked Station Commander Barry Cranstoun for the update; and

(b) raised questions in relation to engagement with the local community surrounding the use of other methods of heating due to the energy crisis which Station Commander Cranstoun responded to.

Area Budget 2022/23 - Annual report noted.

8 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the Area Budget for 2022/23, in relation to projects previously funded in 2022/23, of which £65,664.51 had been allocated in the Dennistoun ward, 10% of projects selected as part of the Area Budget monitoring and evaluation process.

Area Budget 2023/24 – Applications for funding dealt with - Declaration of Interests.

9 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 23rd March 2023 (Print 1, page 41), when the committee approved the 2023/24 Area Budget allocations, there was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, advising

(1) of the current position in relation to the Area Partnership's budget for 2023/24;

(2) that the Dennistoun Area Partnership's Area Budget allocation for 2023/24 was £65,664.51 and a total of £55,983.73 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £9,680.78; and

(3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2023/24.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2023/24;

(ii) the ineligible application received from Haghill Park Primary School; and

(iii) the applications dealt with under delegated functions as detailed in the report; and

(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*
*Bluevale Community Club	Towards the cost to upgrade the state-of-the art sports facility	Awarded £600
St Andrew's East Parish Church	Towards the cost to host a warm welcome space for people to have food, participate in low cost workshops, quizzes, arts and crafts	Awarded £1,696
Society of Friends of Glasgow Cathedral	Towards the cost to host Glasgow Cathedral Festival 2023 that would work with 4 local primary schools to develop musical skills to perform in Glasgow Cathedral and provide 60 free tickets to concerts for people in Dennistoun	Refused due to Area Budget being over subscribed
Rosemount Lifelong Learning	Towards the cost to purchase a module outdoor classroom space for an early years learning facility	Ineligible application

YoMo Young Movers	Towards the costs to provide a Walk and Talk programme to young people aged between 12 to 25	Awarded £1,109
**Royston Youth Action	Towards the cost to purchase an 8 seater mini-bus that is compliant with the LEZ rules to transport children and young people to a wide range of events	Continued consideration to next meeting
***Milnbank Area Residents Social Club	Towards the cost to deliver and purchase supplies for a series of projects in Ballindalloch Hall, Culloden Hall and Bluevale Hall to engage with children, young people, parent and toddler groups to encourage using art as a therapeutic tool to build confidence and improve social development	Awarded £1,500

*Kenny Trainer declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

**Councillor Casey declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon and Bailie Carroll assumed the Chair for this item only.

***Councillor McDougall and Josephine Donachy declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.