POLLOKSHIELDS AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 21st November 2023, City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Jon Molyneux (Chair), Councillor Zen Ghani, Bailie Norman MacLeod and Bailie Hanif Raja, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Ian Scott, Police Scotland; Station Commander Douglas Millar, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Bill Lawns, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Mary Williamson, Craigton Community Council; Tabassum Niamat, Pollokshields Community Council; Ann Laing, Pollokshields Heritage; John Smith, Shawlands and Strathbungo Community Council; and Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Allison McKenna-Breen, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Ruth Maltman, Dumbreck Community Council; Kevin Kane, Strathbungo Society; and Shahnaz Ahmed Shakoor and Pauline Fletcher, Southside Housing Association.

Attending: E Miller (Clerk); D Speirs (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and K McCormick (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Minutes of previous meeting approved etc – Requests to Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and Councillor Molyneux.

1 The minutes of 12th September 2023 were submitted and approved, subject to noting the following

(1) a few minor alterations that the clerk would amend online accordingly;

(2) Item 1(2), regarding potential new co-opted membership that;

(a) Councillor Molyneux had contacted and met with organisations to discuss joining the Partnership as co-opted members;

(b) Derek Speirs, Principal Officer, City Policy and Corporate Governance Team indicated that South East Integration Network had requested to join the Partnership;

(c) that Councillor Molyneux agreed to meet with the Network, with all organisations to be reviewed and interest confirmed, with a view to attending the Partnership as co-opted members in the future; and

(d) Bailie Raja expressed a view that representatives from black and ethnic minority organisations should be considered.

(3) Item 1(4), Ann Laing was a co-opted member of the East Pollokshields Renaissance Forum;

(4) Item 1(5) that a report by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) on environmental issues within the ward had been previously requested but to date had still not been submitted for consideration, which the partnership deemed unacceptable, and as a result Councillor Molyneux had arranged a meeting with NRS to discuss the issues highlighted by the Partnership and if NRS failed to provide the requested reports, the matter would be taken further to the Executive Director of NRS;

(5) Item 2, regarding Membership, that substitute nominees Iffat Ahmed, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network and Amy Smyth NRS had been confirmed pending completed nomination paperwork, therefore a membership update would be provided at the next meeting of the Partnership;

(6) Item 4(1)(c) irresponsible parking at bin hubs, Karen Venables would confirm if enforcement action had been put in place and provide an update to the next meeting of the Partnership;

(7) Item 4(3)(b) regarding irresponsible cyclists who fail to dismount at the Shields Road bridge works, it was noted that

(a) Bill Lawns and elected members had met with Network Rail, Police Scotland and NRS regarding the issue;

(b) discussions had not been successful as cyclists were still failing to dismount on the narrow footpath;

(c) the responsibility of the path lay with Network Rail and that Police Scotland officers were seeking advice from their legal services division but currently there was no recourse to legislation that would allow enforcement action to be taken; and

(d) the Partnership thanked Bill Lawns for the work undertaken and agreed that Councillor Molyneux would write to Network Rail and Glasgow City Council, on behalf of the Partnership to raise the ongoing concerns at the safety of pedestrians who shared the footpath with cyclists; and

(8) Item 5(3) regarding ENV2 funding, that information had been circulated to members and would be re-sent to Bailie MacLeod for reference.