NEWLANDS/AULDBURN AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Item 1

9th June 2022

Minutes of meeting held on 20th January 2022, by video conference.

Present: Bailie Josephine Docherty (Chair), Bailie Kyle Thornton; Councillor Stephen Curran, Glasgow City Council; Lara Calder, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Inspector Ryan McMurdo, Police Scotland and Anne Strachan, Voluntary Sector Voice.

Apologies: Sandra Fusari, Maneswood and Hillpark Community Council; Jade Graham, Newlands and Auldhouse Community Council; Station Commander Iain McCormack, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

Attending: P Yule (Clerk); P Boyce and F Dickson (for the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities); A Paterson, (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and H Mills Village Storytelling Centre.

Minutes of previous meeting approved etc.

1 The minutes of 11th November 2021 were submitted and approved.

The Village Storytelling Centre and Artist In Residence – Presentation noted.

2 There was heard a presentation by Helen Mills from The Village Storytelling Centre, advising

(1) that the Village Storytelling Centre, established in 2000, was a Community arts organisation and registered charity based in Pollok and offered story-based opportunities across Glasgow and the West of Scotland;

(2) of the work being carried out in the Ward by the Centre providing a range of activities to a wide range of age groups; and

(3) that the Centre used storytelling to support people to increase their confidence and self-esteem and offered the opportunity to look at their lives differently and to assist in making sure their voices were heard.

After consideration, the Partnership noted and thanked Ms Mills for the presentation.

Review of Sector and Area Partnerships – Update noted.

3 With reference to the minutes of 10th November 2020 when the Area Partnership noted the findings of the review of Area and Sector Partnerships, there was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities providing information on the outcome of the recommendations approved by the Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Strategic Partnership, advising

(1) of the background to the proposals agreed by the GCPP Strategic Partnership on 7th December 2021, as detailed in the report;

(2) the next steps for the review, as detailed in the report; and

(3) that a further report would be submitted to the GCPP Strategic Partnership in June 2022.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted and thanked Ms F Dickson for the report;

(b) raised a number of questions and concerns that related specifically to the Newlands/Auldburn Ward and were addressed by Ms Dickson; and

(c) heard that further information on the pilot areas and subsequent changes would be provided to a future meeting of this Partnership.

Police Scotland Ward update noted.

4 There was heard a report by Inspector Ryan McMurdo, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership of the current progress that Police Scotland was making in the Ward, advising

(1) that COP 26 event had been successful and saw the largest deployment of officers in Scotland and that the number of officers who had attended the event had now returned to standard duties;

(2) that there had been an increase in vandalism mainly around the Hillpark and Mansefield area and that a number of youths had been identified as being involved in vandalising cars in the area and that Police Scotland had put additional foot patrols in the area and would continue to work with the school liaison officers to highlight this issue;

(3) that there had been an increase in thefts of cars especially around Morrison's car park and that focus patrols had been put in place and officers were offering crime prevention advice and encouraged the local community to report crimes to the Police;

(4) that there had been increase of high value thefts and house breakings on the boundary areas of the Ward around the South and Nitshill Southpark Village areas and officer wanted to make the local community aware and asked that they bevigilant when considering there home secuity;

(5) that road safety continued to be an issue and Police Scotland would work alongside the road traffic department and to have pro-active partols within the Ward and around the free car zones at schools, on a retational basis; and

(6) of the current personnel changes to Police officers within the Ward and welcomed Sergeant Emma Wright and Sergeant Jordan Kane.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Inspector McMurdo for all the continued work carried out by Police Scotland.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - consideration continued.

5 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of an update on Ward issues by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

Local Parks & Open Space Improvement Fund – Update noted

6 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neibourhoods, Regeneration and Sutainabilty (NRS), regarding an update on the Local Parks and Open Spaces Improvement Fund, advising

(1) of the revised list of options and costings for investment of the Local Parks and Open Space Improvment Fund within the Ward, as detailed in the report;

(2) of the projects listed for consideration by the Partnership with a total spend of £60,778, as detailed in the report; and

(3) of the confirmed breakdown of costs for future work to be carried out within Ward by contractors, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted and thanked Mr Paterson for the report;

(b) approved the funding of the projects totalling £60,778, as detailed in the appendix to these minutes;

(c) expressed concerns regarding the King George V Park which flooded frequently and asked that this be taken into account before work was carried out in the park and sought clarification on whether the £20k allocated for the proposed works would all be spent on the SUDS scheme; and

(d) highlighted if a permeable surface could be used for the pond path within Newlands Park as this could be considered to be more in keeping with the natural environment and would be more cost effective.

Area Budget 2021/22 - Applications for funding dealt with etc.

7 With reference to the minutes of the Council of 11th March 2021, when it agreed its budget for 2021/22 with overall funding available for Area Partnerships being maintained at 2020/21 levels, there was submitted a report by the Council's Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the Area Budget for 2021/22, advising

(1) of the current position in relation to the Area Partnership's budget for 2021/22;

(2) of Newlands Auldburn Area Partnership's Budget for 2021/22 totalling £67,214.23, and that funds totalling £965.75, had been carry forward by this Partnership for the 2021/22 financial year;

(3) that the Partnership had committed a total of £62,214.23 to various projects in the Ward, leaving a balance of £4,382.78 and

(4) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2021/22.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the area Budget allocation for 2021/22; and

(b) dealt with the application for funding as follows, the grant award being subject to the conditions detailed in the report:-

Applicant	*Purpose of application*	*Decision*
St Conval's Parent Council	Towards the costs of developing a Family room within the school	£4,382.78

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

8 With reference to the minutes of the City Administration Committee of 29th August 2019, when the committee approved the proposed budget for the Glasgow Communities Fund for the next three financial years, there was submitted a report by the Council's Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the Area Budget for 2022/23, advising of the current position in relation to the Area Partnership's proposed Area Budget allocation and applications for funding for 2022/23, including information regarding travel passes and playschemes within the Ward area, and that it was anticipated that the Council would set its budget, early in 2022, for the financial year 2022/23.

After consideration, the Partnership

(1) noted

(a) the current Glasgow City Council budget position on the proposed Area Budget allocations;

(b) the current position on awarding funds from the 2022/23 allocation; and

(c) that time critical awards for up to £500 could be allocated from the 2022/23 budget under existing Delegated Authority arrangements.

(2) 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*

*St Vincent's Primary School	Towards the cost of 27 Primary 7 pupils attending a residential to Glencoe Outdoor Centre in May 2022	£2,000

*The Chair accepted this item of business for consideration, as a matter of urgency, in view of the timescales involved.

(3) in terms of Travel Pass Scheme, approved the issue of travel passes for use during the school holiday periods Fun Lodge Out School Care, Pollokshaws After School Care, Tinto After School Care and Carnwadric After School Care.

Minutes of the South Sector Community Planning Partnership noted.

9 There was submitted and noted the minutes of the South Sector Community Planning Partnership of 23rd November 2021.

APPENDIX

NEWLANDS/AULDBURN AREA PARTNERSHIP – LOCAL PARKS AND OPEN SPACES ALLOCATION OF PROJECT FUNDING TOTALLING £60,778 FOR 2021/22

Option Number	*Location*	*Proposal*	*Total allocation*

1.	Newlands Park	Works to the pond to establish a system where an overflow would be created from the pond following periods of heavy rainfall, into a SUDS area, location to be agreed, elsewhere in the park, and some pond naturalisation around the edge of the pond to support newts and other species	£20,000
2.	Greenbank Park	Pollinator Plan- habitat creation, seasonal interest, the frontage to Nether Auldhouse Rd giving some colour, bulbs etc,	£5000
3.	Auldhouse Park	Pollinator Plan- habitat creation, seasonal interest, the frontage to Auldhouse Rd giving some colour, bulbs etc,	£5,000
4.	Auldhouse Park	Painting of railings by specialist contractor- first phase	£5,000
5.	King George V Park	Upgrade grass path from Kennishead housing to the shops on Boydstone Rd	£11,478
6.	King George V Park	Painting of railings by specialist contractor- first phase	£5,000
7.	King George V Park	Woodland management works at Viking Way to crown lift and thin trees, to reduce encroachment onto footway	£1,000
8.	King George V Park	A more long-term approach is required to this starting with reviewing botanically what is to be found and how changing the way this can be managed to support these plant communities to flourish.	£0
9.	Hillpark Drive	Following dialogue with a community resident at Hillpark Drive, a number of community highlighted spaces don’t lend themselves as locations for play or community growing (shady/ damp), however, there is the opportunity to plant them with shade loving species (ferns, hostas and so on).	£8,000

		In addition, there were also issues around steps and access, however this is out with the auspices of the Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund”	
10.	Boydstone Road footpath to underpath	Carry out some habitat improvement works to the plot of land in GCC ownership (noting that the land ownership map indicates that the path and entrance are owned by others)	£300