

**Glasgow Community Planning Partnership****Report to: Calton Area Partnership****Report by Executive Director of Corporate Services****Contact: Kirsteen Shearlaw Tel : 0141 276 9878****The Safe Glasgow Group and Multi Member Ward Planning for Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Services****Purpose of Report:**

To inform members about the role of the Safe Glasgow Group, introduce the ward plans for Police Scotland and tactical assessments from Scottish Fire & Rescue Services and provide information on the Safe Glasgow consultation events.

Recommendations:

Members are requested to:

- note the contents of the report
- discuss and make any recommendations for the local Police Scotland plans or Scottish Fire & Rescue's tactical assessments
- note the information regarding the Safe Glasgow events.

Ward No(s):

Citywide: ✓

Local member(s) advised: Yes No consulted: Yes No **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:**

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Introduction

This report provides information on the Safe Glasgow Group, which became the legal structure for Local Scrutiny and Engagement of the new national Police and Fire and Rescue Services from April 1st 2013. It also introduces the concept of multi member ward plans and tactical assessment plans for Police Scotland and Scottish Fire & Rescue Services and provides an update on the Safe Glasgow events being held in May and June.

Background

Following the Police and Fire & Rescue Reform (Scotland) Act, the Council is now obligated to undertake scrutiny of Police and Fire & Rescue Services. In December 2012, it was agreed that the new structure for scrutiny and engagement would be connected to the new Community Planning model and would operate as a partnership between the Council and Community Planning.

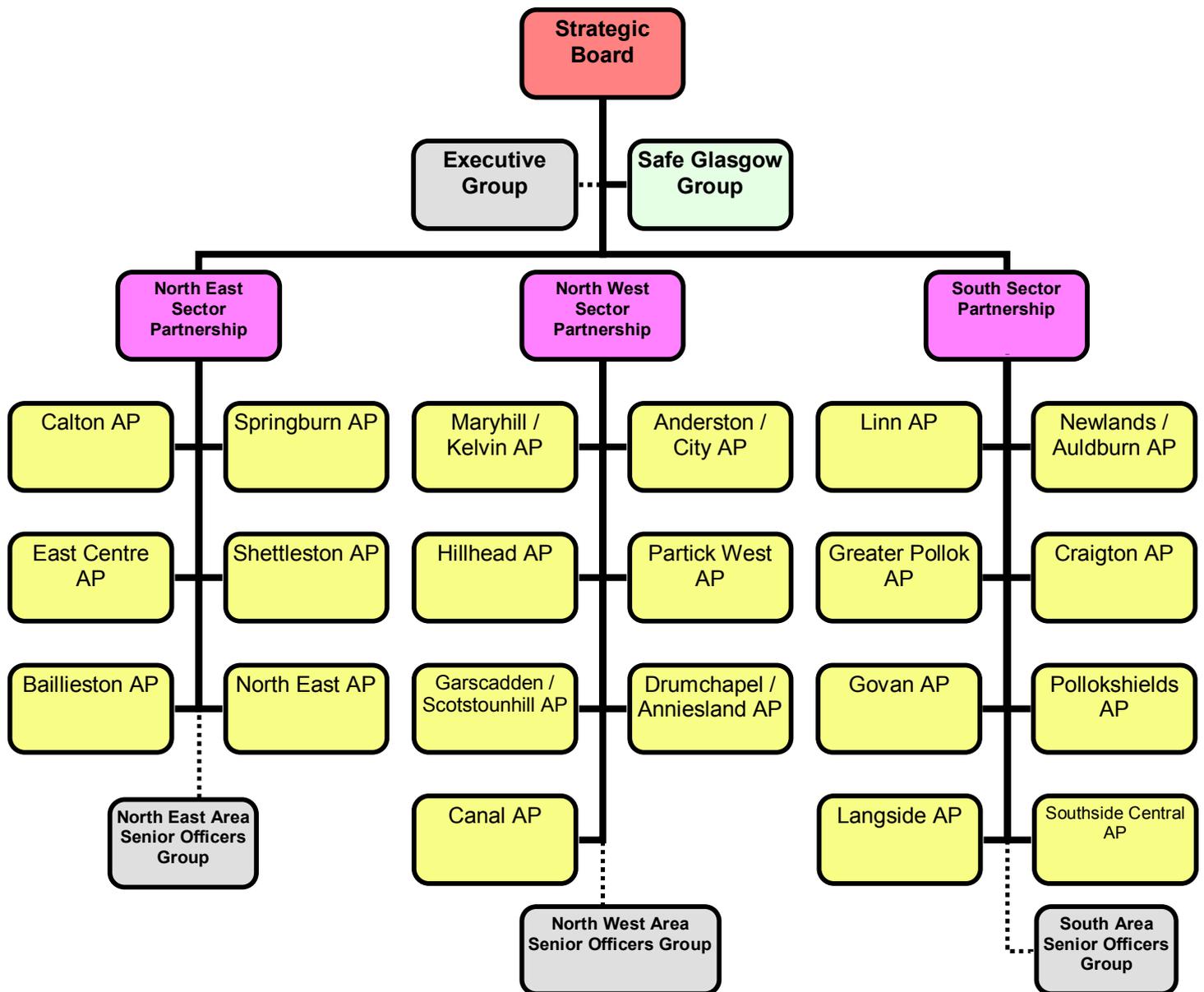
The Safe Glasgow Group (SGG) has met three times in a 'shadow' capacity from January to March 2013 and once in April 2013 as a formal Group following the creation of the two new national organisations. In future, the Group will meet on average 4-5 times per year. The transition from regional to national organisations has been a challenging and complex process for both Police and Fire & Rescue Services; however, there has been a consistent focus on the maintenance of quality services throughout this time. It is worth pointing out that it is not the role of the Safe Glasgow Group, or other Community Planning structures to scrutinise staffing, complaints or other internal matters to Police and Fire & Rescue Services.

The main role of the Group would be to scrutinise and review the Police, Fire & Rescue plans for Glasgow. These plans would encompass priority setting, community engagement, and performance related measures. The other responsibilities of the Group would be to:

- Contribute to the delivery of the Glasgow Single Outcome Agreement (SOA) 3 within the Glasgow Community Planning City Plan, and in particular the local outcome indicators and programme to be developed in relation to the national outcome 'We live our lives safe from crime, disorder and danger'
- Consider progress reports on the implementation of the local Police, Fire and Rescue plans
- Receive statistical reports on complaints about Policing and Fire & Rescue Services
- Be notified of any policing and fire and rescue matters being the subject of independent national review bodies in Glasgow.
- Agree safer community projects/initiatives
- Provide comments/replies on any consultation documents pertaining to Policing and Fire and Rescue services

- Recommend improvements in local Policing and Fire & Rescue services

The Group sits within the Community Planning Structures as outlined in the diagram below:



Draft service plans

One of the key principles of the 2012 Act is that the local authority must be consulted on local service plans and must approve them. The local Police Commander and Senior Officer of Fire and Rescue Service are obliged to involve the local authority in setting priorities and objectives, including participating in discussions regarding the Single Outcome Agreement. The local Policing Plan – which the local commander will agree with the Chief Constable – needs to be approved by the local authority. There is a similar provision for the Fire and Rescue Plan.

Both of the plans are currently in a draft state, and these drafts have been approved by the SGG. The Scottish Government did not expect that they would be fully signed off by the start of April; rather that there should be a period of engagement with partners and the community before they are signed off later in the year. This process will be developed via the SGG and further details are outlined below.

It should be noted that the draft Police and Fire & Rescue Plans predominantly contain headline aims. The process for filling out the finer detail of the plans will be developed via engagement at local level with Area and Sector Partnerships, and with other structures where Police and/or Fire and Rescue are delivering outcomes e.g. the Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership. Police Scotland has committed to the provision of published multi member ward plans which will be delivered at Area Partnership Level. Similarly, Scottish Fire and Rescue Services will publish ward based Tactical Assessments which will develop into plans. Both of these will be presented at the end of this report.

Engagement on the Draft Plans – 21 events with Area Partnerships

The Safe Glasgow Group is responsible for overseeing the scrutiny and engagement on the draft Police and Fire Plans within the Community Planning Structure. As a first step towards wider community engagement, it has been agreed that a series of 21 events across the city in May and June will launch the new Area Partnership structures with a focus on the theme of Safe Glasgow. Police and Fire will present the headline priorities of their draft plans, giving members of the local community the opportunity to discuss the plans and highlight any concerns. At the events, GCSS will also present details of successful work programmes that have improved communities across Glasgow.

The objectives of the Safe Glasgow events are to:

- Publicise the role of the Safe Glasgow Group
- Inform residents of Police and Fire & Rescue Interim Plans
- Gain feedback from residents on Police and Fire & Rescue plans
- Gain feedback from residents on safe priorities in each multi Member Ward

Input at the events from the following partners / sections are anticipated:

- Police Scotland
- Scottish Fire & Rescue Services
- Glasgow Community Safety Services
- Glasgow City Council, Land & Environmental Services, Road Safety Section

There will be an opportunity for other partners to be present if they wish e.g. GHA, local housing associations, the CHP etc

As well as the primary objective of publicising the role of Safe Glasgow, partners can use the events to explain the processes the city is using for Community Planning and Community Engagement.

Structure of Events

There will be 21 events based in a community venue within each of the 21 multi member wards. The opening of the events will be carried out by the Area Partnership chair, with all local Elected Members invited.

There will be a combined presentation delivered to inform residents of the intelligence information and the identified Police, Fire, and Safe priorities within each ward. Partners will host information stalls to provide further information on services currently provided in each Ward and promote their organisation.

In addition, surgeries will be held by Police & Fire to provide an opportunity for further dialogue with residents and gather information on their safety concerns and views on Police, Fire and safety priorities.

The event for the Calton Area Partnership was held on 6 June 2013 at 2.00pm in the Emirates Arena. All members of the Area Partnership were invited and the event was widely publicised in the media and community to encourage as wide an attendance as possible.

Following the events, a report for each Ward will be produced detailing the feedback captured, which will then be fed into the Area Partnerships and the Sector CPP. All feedback will ultimately be presented to the Safe Glasgow Group. At Area Partnership level, the key priorities outlined in the plans should inform the development of the Area Partnership Work plan, with actions identified for all partners.

Recommendations

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