

**SAFE GLASGOW PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.**

Glasgow, 14th March 2024.

**Safe Glasgow Partnership.**

**Present:** Bailie Paul McCabe (Chair), Councillor Philip Braat, Councillor Holly Bruce, Councillor Graham Campbell, Bailie Anthony Carroll, Councillor Ann Jenkins, Councillor Elaine McSporran, Councillor Robert Mooney, Councillor Catherine Vallis, Glasgow City Council; Superintendent David Reid, Police Scotland; Local Senior Officer David Murdoch, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Eileen Marshall, GCC Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; Lynsey Smith, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Jennifer Anderson, Wheatley Housing Group; and Lesley Gordon, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network.

**Apologies:** Councillor William Graham and Chief Superintendent David Robertson, Police Scotland.

**Attending:** L Sclater (Clerk); T Jackson, R MacLeod and M Smith, Community Empowerment and Equalities; A Fehilly (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and Inspector Lynn Edwards, Police Scotland.

**Minutes of previous meeting approved.**

**1** The minutes of 23rd November 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 on the membership of the Safe Glasgow Partnership, advising that

- (1) Bailie Anthony Carrol had been appointed as member in place of Bailie Leòdhas Massie;
- (2) David Robertson was the member for Police Scotland, replacing Mark Sutherland; and
- (3) Jennifer Anderson was the member for Wheatley Housing Group and David Sheil was now the substitute member.

### **Police Scotland - Local Policing Plan 2023-26 – Performance for Year 1, Quarter 3 noted.**

**3** There was submitted a report by Chief Superintendent David Robertson, Police Scotland, providing an overview of the current performance of Police Scotland during the Q3 period from 1st October to 31st December 2023, advising

- (1) of the continued drive forward with their Public Health Approach to policing that involved working closely with partners to support vulnerable members of the community;
- (2) of its national Domestic Abuse campaign and the 16 Days of Activism campaign which had seen a variety of days of action undertaken across all Sub Divisions, resulting in the arrest of 6 prolific offenders;
- (3) of some of the work being undertaken in relation to crime, community wellbeing, events, operations and serious and organised crime;
- (4) of a detailed breakdown of the complaints against police;
- (5) that senior officers from Police Scotland had been involved in the Road Safety Roundtable engagement exercise that had been set up as a result of discussions from this Partnership;
- (6) that sadly, there had been 10 road deaths recorded since April 2023; and
- (7) that a number of days of action were planned around road safety as this was high priority.

After consideration, the Partnership noted that

- (a) Bailie McCabe had recently attended a Road Safety Summit and would share the presentation from the event and update Councillor Bruce in more detail in relation to this;
- (b) a report on road safety would be submitted to a future meeting of this partnership; and
- (c) Superintendent Reid would link in with Superintendent Meikle and report back to Councillor Bruce in relation to what the current position was with gathering 'near miss' data.

### **Changes to Police Estate – Presentation noted etc.**

**4** There was heard a presentation by Superintendent David Reid, Police Scotland, in relation to the proposed changes to the Police Scotland Estate, detailing

- (1) that the Scottish Police Authority had approved the consultation and engagement process for the disposal of a number of Police Scotland premises that were surplus to requirement or no longer fit for purpose;

- (2) the 5 premises that had been identified in Glasgow and that the consultation process was ongoing on the Police Scotland website;
- (3) that a report would be produced in due course, detailing the consultation responses and next steps;
- (4) that ongoing discussions were taking place with Police Scotland, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and Glasgow City Council on the potential to move toward co-location to ensure services would be delivered in the most efficient and effective way; and
- (5) that Councillor Aitken and Bailie McCabe would be meeting with the Police Federation and if any members of the Partnership wished to contribute anything to this meeting, they should contact Bailie McCabe with their comments.

After consideration, the Partnership thanked Superintendent Reid for his presentation.

### **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service – Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2023-24 – Performance report for Quarter 3 noted.**

**5** There was submitted and noted a report by Local Senior Officer David Murdoch, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, providing an overview of the current performance of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service for the period Quarter 3 2023/24, from 1st October to 31st December 2023, advising

- (1) of the progress made in relation to local fire and rescue plan priorities on the prevention and reduction of accidental dwelling fires, unintentional injury or harm and prevention and protection activities along with details for each Glasgow City Council ward with the year-on-year percentage change and 3 year average change;
- (2) that there had been a 4% reduction in accidental dwelling fires from the same quarter the previous year, with the figure of 155 for this quarter being the lowest number of accidental dwelling fires attended since Scottish Fire and Rescue Service had formed in 2013;
- (3) that despite a decrease of 18% in accidental dwelling fire casualties, tragically, there had been 2 fatalities;
- (4) that deliberate fires had increased during this quarter compared to the same period the previous year, however this remained below the 3 year average;
- (5) that work was ongoing with partner agencies, Police Scotland and Neighbourhood Co-ordinators to deliver bespoke education and engagement events to reduce the deliberate fires figures;
- (6) that there had been a 58% decrease in the number of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) compared to the same period the previous year as a result of the changes to the UFAS response from 1st July 2023; and

- (7) of the prevention and protection activities that had taken place within the quarter.

### **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Local Plan Review 2023 noted.**

6 There was submitted a report by Local Senior Officer David Murdoch, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, providing a review of the SFRS Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Glasgow 2020 – 2023, advising that

- (1) SFRS had written to members of the Safe Glasgow Partnership in November to advise of the decision taken to postpone the development of the new Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Glasgow and that a review would be carried out on the current plan;
- (2) the purpose of the review was to provide information on how well SFRS were performing against the existing priorities in the current Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Glasgow, which would contribute towards the development of the new plan for Glasgow; and
- (3) over the next 12 months, SFRS would continue to work with partners to reduce risk with communities as they reassessed the operation landscape and the needs of the people of Glasgow.

After consideration, the Partnership noted that SFRS would continue to report on the priorities contained within the current Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Glasgow 2020-2023 until the development and consultation on a new plan had taken place.

### **Public Health approach to policing - Presentation noted.**

7 There was heard a presentation by Inspector Lynn Edward, Police Scotland, in relation to the Public Health Approach to Policing, detailing that

- (1) the Public Health Approach to Policing focussed on identifying the root cause of an individual's vulnerabilities at an early point of police contact, in order to refer them onto the most appropriate partner agency;
- (2) the approach aimed to reduce call demand over time, by referring people to the right partner who could provide the right support, at the right time, which aligned with Police Scotland's legislative purpose to 'improve the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities in Scotland';
- (3) enforcement remained a key priority and the intention was not to 'over-reach' into the Public Health space; and
- (4) the priority themes, namely, Drugs (Harm Reduction), Mental Health and Poverty, with a focus on both Children & Young People and Adult Support and Protection.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) thanked Inspector Edward for her presentation; and
- (b) agreed to receive further updates on this priority at future meetings.

### **Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership – Update noted.**

**8** There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an update on the work of the Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership, advising

- (1) that the GVAWP city wide strategic plan was still in draft form and the final version would be considered at a GVAWP meeting later this year;
- (2) of the recently formed Scottish Government taskforce, that would provide leadership for the development of a national multi-agency domestic homicide and suicide review model for Scotland;
- (3) of a newly created 'Fund to Leave' pilot project running until 31st March 2024, that would support women and children experiencing domestic abuse by making awards of up to £1000 to reduce risk and increase safety;
- (4) of the work of the WAIR Group (Women, Immigration, Asylum and Refugee) who would be prioritising an Action Plan to be included as part of the GVAWP Strategic Plan; and
- (5) that Glasgow MARAC (Multi-agency Risk Assessment Conference) continued to receive a high volume of referrals, and discussions were due to take place with the Steering Group and HSCP to try and find a solution to concerns raised surrounding HSCP no longer being able to attend additional multi-locality meetings.

### **Road safety round table – Update noted.**

**9** There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Communities regarding the work of the Road Safety Round Table engagement exercise on Road Safety issues across the City, advising that

- (1) at its meeting on 16th March 2023 this Partnership had been requested to establish a working group/roundtable discussion on road safety, that had resulted in a 'short term' road safety round table process involving council officers and relevant partners being created;
- (2) it had been agreed that the platform CONSUL (Community Choices) would be the best networking tool to use as it was a dynamic way of maximising public engagement;

- (3) the engagement exercise had been split into 2 phases, with the debate phase consisting of 6 questions for public consideration and 6 proposals had been developed from the responses to form the next phase; and
- (4) of the next steps which aligned with the proposals of existing Council and/or partnership developments e.g. the local policing plan, liveable neighbourhoods and Glasgow's road safety plan.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted that from the 341 comments received by respondents during the debate phase, 'near miss data' had not been raised; and
- (b) agreed to receive further updates on progress within planned 'Go Safe Glasgow' Road Safety Partnership updates.