

GREATER POLLOK AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 19th February 2025, by video conference.

Present: Councillor William Graham (Chair), Councillor Saqib Ahmed and Bailie Rashid Hussain, Glasgow City Council; Ann Duffy, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Inspector James McFarlane, Police Scotland; Sarah Ali, Crookston Community Group; Alistair McLellan, Levern and District Community Council; Geri Morgan, Rosehill Housing Association; Andrew Peline, SWAMP; Elaine Atwood, Darnley Parent Council; Teresa Foley, Langton Hall Activity Group; and Tony Osy, African Relief Support.

Apologies: Bailie Roza Salih, Glasgow City Council, Station Commander Martine Barr, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and Helen Mill, Village Story Telling Centre.

Attending: J Crawford (Clerk); K Docherty and P Boyce (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance) and J Campbell, Neighbourhood Regeneration and Sustainability.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of the previous meeting of 27th November 2024 were submitted and approved subject to noting that at Item 11 (3) that the LED lights had not been installed within the local parks.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework - Membership update noted etc.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding the membership of this Partnership, advising

- (1) that no changes had been made to the membership; and
- (2) of the amendments to the Governance Framework that related to Area Partnerships.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

3 With reference to the minutes of 27th November 2024 continuing consideration of a ward update by Police Scotland, there was heard and noted a report by Inspector James McFarlane, Police Scotland advising that

- (1) there had been 1,871 calls for the period 27th November 2024 to 19th February 2025;

- (2) there had been an increase in youth disorder resulting in a serious assault, which was being progressed by CID;
- (3) the Body Worn Video (BWV) project continued to make good progress as it moved towards a Spring 2025 go live
<https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/body-worn-video/>;
- (4) domestic abuse incidents continued to increase, with Police Scotland committed to tackling this through this years “Couples Questions” campaign
<https://www.scotland.police.uk/what-s-happening/campaigns/2024/domestic-abuse/>; and
- (5) the 2030 vision for policing was of an organisation focused on safer communities, less crime, supporting victims, and a thriving workforce.
<https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/our-2030-vision-and-three-year-plan/> .

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 3, from 1st October to 31st December 2024, advising

- (1) that the Service had responded to a total of 852 incidents in the South area, these being 259 fires, 200 special service incidents and 393 false alarms;
- (2) that there had been an overall decrease of 4% in the number of incidents attended in the South area compared to Quarter 3 in 2023/24;
- (3) that the change to the Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) response from 1st July 2023 had mitigated the need for unnecessary blue light journeys, which had improved the availability of resources, community safety and the environmental impact, as well as unnecessary disruption to business; and
- (4) of various information in relation to deliberate fires, accidental fires, dwelling fires, non-domestic fires, fire casualties, special service incidents, unintentional injury or harm incidents, UFAS incidents and engagement and station activities, as detailed in the report.

Trauma Informed Neighbourhood Project – Update noted.

5 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP), regarding the Trauma Informed Neighbourhood Project, advising

- (1) that in collaboration, Sanctuary Scotland and Health Improvement, GCHSCP had been successful in securing £240,000 funding from the United Kingdom

Shared Prosperity Fund with the funding allowing it to build on the progress made through the Priesthill and Househillwood Thriving Place Programme and continued to enhance the efforts of the thematic groups (children and young people, mental health and social isolation and poverty and food security);

- (2) that a new area of work within the application was to create a trauma-informed neighbourhood, with the aim for Priesthill, Househillwood and Nitshill to become the first trauma-informed neighbourhood in the city;
- (3) of various background information in relation to the project, as detailed in the report, and highlighting that the creation of a trauma-informed neighbourhood would help individuals understand and address the impacts of trauma, fostering resilience and support amongst community members;
- (4) of the key components of the project and of the project partners, as detailed in the report;
- (5) of the feedback so far in relation to the initial project sessions and advising that the positive response highlighted the community's readiness to embrace trauma-informed practices and suggested a strong foundation for future initiatives; and
- (6) that the trauma informed neighbourhood area served as a powerful model for other communities who wished to implement transformative initiatives and that by prioritising health and resilience, communities not only addressed the immediate needs of residents but also fostered a supportive environment and encouraged long-term well-being.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership ward update noted.

6 There was heard a report by Ann Duffy, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership, advising that

- (1) the Health, Exercise and Nutrition for the Really Young (HENRY) approach programme would be at Pollok Community Centre on Mondays from 7th March to 9th May;
- (2) the HENRY approach focused on family behaviour to help parents adopt healthier eating and lifestyle habits to give their children the best start in life;
- (3) training on this programme had commenced for staff;
- (4) access to the HENRY approach would be through a referral for parents or carers with children aged 0 to 12 years who, if successful, could attend workshops
<https://www.nhsggc.scot/your-health/child-and-young-persons-healthy-weight/henry/> ;

- (5) that the HSCP training calendar was available for any courses <https://www.nhsggc.scot/your-health/public-health/health-improvement/glasgow-city-hscp-health-improvement/training-calendar/> ; and
- (6) that cost of living was still the main concern for families. Cost of living guide <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/JybLXvWE5NmGowSX?ref=email> .

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked A Duffy for the update.

Community reports – Consideration continued.

7 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of an update by community representatives regarding community updates to a future meeting of this Partnership.

Nitshill Place Based Programme – Update noted.

8 There was submitted a report by John Campbell, Chief Executive's Department, regarding the Nitshill Place Based Programme, advising that

- (1) the Council and partners had a long tradition of working at a community level to address poverty with the most recent approach, entitled 'Thriving Places' having commenced as a ten-year phased programme as part of Glasgow's Community Planning Single Outcome Agreement in 2013;
- (2) they had worked with 10 communities (average population of 10,000) with concentrated poverty, 9 commenced 2013-2016 and a further area, Govanhill added in 2019;
- (3) each Thriving Place has had a unique journey, adapting governance, ambitions and in some cases even the geography included and early work with What Works Scotland created an evaluability framework for the programme and a common vision "to create more resilient, sustainable communities which are stable, thriving and growing, and people are proud to live in;
- (4) Community Planning partners would work to refine the neighbourhoods to be approached for inclusion in a revised place-based approach which would be based on Intermediate Data Zone areas rather than natural neighbourhoods and partners would need to generate some local consideration of the 'translation' of these boundaries into a meaningful neighbourhood approach for 10,000-15,000 residents per neighbourhood; and
- (5) there would be continued discussions with Community Planning partners on the resources required.

After consideration the Partnership noted the report and raised concerns and questions that were addressed by J Campbell.

Development of Area Partnership Plans – Proposed timeline approved etc.

9 With reference to the minutes of 1st May 2024 noting the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and the service reform of Community Empowerment Services, there was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the development of Area Partnership Plans, advising

- (1) that one of the key actions identified as a priority for the newly formed Communities Team was to support Area Partnerships in the development of Area Partnership Plans that would define local ward priorities and areas of need, highlight the resources and infrastructure available and ensure any future investment of resources were effectively targeted in response to the actions plans;
- (2) of the proposal to develop the action plans to leverage community-identified data and the work undertaken with colleagues from Strategic Information, Innovation & Technology in the development of Area Partnership dashboards, as detailed in the report;
- (3) that the proposed plans would have clear strategic links with the Child Poverty Programme, Thriving Places and or Local Place Plans and Health and Social Care Partnership Locality Sector Plans; and
- (4) of the next steps and a proposed timeline of the process that would be undertaken in 2025/26, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) approved the proposed timeline for the development of Area Partnership Plans during 2025/26.

Area Budget 2024/25 – Update noted.

10 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 21st March 2024, when the committee approved the 2024/25 Area Budget allocations, there was submitted and noted 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 2024/25;
- (2) that the Greater Pollok Area Partnership's Area Budget allocation for 2024/25 was £90,546.37 and that £90,546.37 had been allocated to date, leaving a nil balance; and
- (3) of the applications dealt with under delegated authority since the last meeting.

Area Budget 2025/26 – Applications for funding dealt with etc.

11 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, advising

- (1) that the Area Budget had still to be agreed by the City Administration Committee and any revisions to Area Budget allocations for 2025/26 would be detailed in a future report;
- (2) that Area Partnerships had the option to approve a portion of funds from its 2025/26 Area Budget at the January/February 2025 cycle of meetings for any projects/services that would take place early in the 2025/26 financial year;
- (3) that any funding recommended would be subject to confirmation of available finances; and
- (4) that any applications considered at the January/February 2025 cycle of meetings should be time critical.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
 - (i) that the Area Budget allocations for 2025/26 were subject to availability of funds following approval of Glasgow City Council's 2025/26 budget, with any revisions to current levels of budget being subject to a future report;
 - (ii) the interim arrangements which enabled the allocation of a portion of the funding from the 2025/26 Area Budget in the January/February cycle for time critical applications; and
 - (iii) that time critical awards of up to £500 could be allocated from the 2025/26 budget under the existing delegated authority arrangements; and
- (b) dealt with applications for funding as follows, the grant awards being subject to the conditions detailed in the report:-

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Purpose of application</i>	<i>Decision</i>
St Angela's Parent Council	Towards the cost of running 4 workshops in relation to confidence building and empowering woman and girls of colour.	Awarded £1,700

NHS Leverndale Hospital	Towards the cost of providing a stable pathway leading to the hospital's poly tunnel that would enable both service users and staff with mobility issues and wheelchair users to access the facility.	Refused
Active Schools	Towards the cost of a pilot primary school football programme aimed at asylum seeker and refugee children.	Awarded £2,450
Pollok Children's Centre	Towards the cost of purchasing food to allow staff to work with children and families to understand the benefits of cooking together.	Awarded £495
Pollok Credit Union	Towards the cost of a creating a programme of creative cooking on a budget, with its main objective to assist local people to look at debt issues, financial management and to encourage them to join the credit union.	Continued consideration
Clyde College	Towards the cost of the Cardonald Community Hub running a twilight service for young people aged 12 to 24 years.	Awarded £3,000
208 Boys Brigade	Towards the cost of purchasing uniforms, IT equipment, training and a residential trip.	Awarded £1,632
*Darnley Primary Parent Council	Towards the cost of purchasing football strips to start a football team.	Awarded £2,112

Children First	Towards the cost of purchasing outdoor clothing and boots in relation to a Kinship Carers Programme.	Awarded £2,000
Rainbow Club	Towards the cost of purchasing equipment and activities.	Refused
Glasgow's Old People Welfare Club	Towards the cost of the club in Pollok.	Refused
**African Relief Support	Towards the cost of sport and dance equipment and a weekly warm space.	Refused
Early Years Scotland	Towards the cost of the "Off to a good start" pilot programme.	Awarded £5,085

*Elaine Atwood declared an interest in this item of business and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

**Tony Osy declared an interest in this item of business and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.