

CARDONALD AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 16th September 2025, Turf Neighbourhood Hub, 1618 Paisley Road West, Glasgow.

Cardonald Area Partnership.

Present: Councillor Elaine McSporran (Chair), Bailie Jim Kavanagh, and Councillor Alex Wilson, Glasgow City Council; Constable Mark Simpson, Police Scotland; Watch Commander Mark McLaughlin, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Daniel Maher, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Sheena Haffie, Mossspark and Corkerhill Community Council; Andy Elliott, Pollok United SCIO; Stacey Quinn, TURF; and Lise Fisher, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, Glasgow City Council.

Apologies: Inspector Jamie Lyall, Police Scotland; Pauline Sweeney, Mossspark and Corkerhill Community Council; and Traci Kirkland, Govan Community Project.

Attending: D Brand (Clerk); K Dooley (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and R Strachan and G Wilson (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Appointment of substitutes approved.

1 In terms of paragraph 6.10 of the Governance Framework, the Partnership noted that in the absence of representatives from Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, the Chair had approved the attendance of Constable Mark Simpson and Watch Commander Mark McLaughlin respectively.

Minutes of previous meetings approved.

2 The minutes of 30th April and 29th July 2025 were submitted and approved, subject to noting that Andy Elliott had submitted his apology for the meeting on 30th April 2025.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework - Membership update noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding membership of this Partnership, advising that since the last meeting there had been no changes to the membership.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

4 There was heard a report by Watch Commander Mark McLaughlin, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 1, from 1st April to 30th June 2025, advising the Partnership

- (1) of the incidents that had taken place in the Cardonald Ward over the last quarter which included 6 accidental dwelling fires, 2 accidental dwelling fire casualty, 1 non-fire casualty, 24 deliberate fires, 1 non-domestic fires and 10 unwanted fire alarm signals;
- (2) that the Service had been engaging with local schools in the Ward to communicate the importance of safety on bonfire night; and
- (3) of the work done by the Community Action Team in relation to the Fire Reach Programmes which taught young people about the impact on communities and services as a result of deliberate fire setting.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) discussed
 - (i) the issues on bonfire night at the Nethercraigs Skatepark which had seen mass gatherings over the past few years and anti-social behaviour being experienced by staff who tried to intervene; and
 - (ii) the possibility that an organised event could be put in place at that location, that only silent fireworks would be used due to the close proximity of the local animal shelter, but that it might be too late for this to be organised for this year's event.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

5 There was heard and noted a report by Constable Mark Simpson, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership

- (1) that officers continued to work with Rangers Football Club to tackle the parking issues experienced by residents in Sherbrooke Gardens on home match days;
- (2) of the work being done by the road traffic team relating to the issues with off-road bikes which had resulted in some bikes being seized by the Service; and
- (3) of the ongoing work being done to tackle shoplifting, which was also a UK wide issue.

After discussion, the Partnership

- (a) thanked PC Simpson for his report;
- (b) raised a number of concerns regarding
 - (i) the issues relating to drugs at the complex at 1610 Paisley Road West; and
 - (ii) parking issues at Our Lady of Rosary School and noted that the Service would look into patrolling the areas at busy times.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership – Update noted.

6 There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP), advising

- (1) of an update on health improvement within the south of the city, with links to the health improvement training calendar, cost of living guide, the HENRY programme and breastfeeding support, as detailed in the report; and
- (2) that Police Scotland's Suicide Awareness Through Sport campaign had been launched on 10th September 2025, which was National Suicide Awareness Day.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) commented on the good work being carried out by local organisations in the Ward which was not communicated and asked if this work could be incorporated into future reports.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) update noted etc – Funding approved.

7 With reference to the minutes of 30th April 2025, there was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability providing an update on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) programme, advising of a progress update in relation to the NIIF, including proposals submitted for estimate, proposals requiring more information and a summary of committed and actual spend for the Ward, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted the report;
- (2) approved

- (a) Ref 04-021, addition of accessible and inclusive features at Hartlaw Crescent;
- (b) Ref 04-025, renewal of railings at Mossspark play area;
- (3) voiced their disappointment that there had been no engagement with members of the Partnership to communicate the reasons why there had been a significant increase in CCTV, which the Partnership had been asked to approve, compared to the initial costings that had been quoted and asked officers to investigate the reasons for the change in costs;
- (4) asked if the locations identified for CCTV were not suitable, that recommendations from the Service should be communicated of other suitable locations in the Ward;
- (5) advised officers that Ref 04-026, upgrades at Penilee Community Centre had already been approved by the Partnership; and
- (6) requested officers
 - (a) to look into the costing for 04-027, MUGA resurfacing at the rear of Penilee Community Centre, as similar work had been carried out at another Council owned facility which was considerably less than the £25,000 quote received; and
 - (b) to investigate why Ref 04-016, repair of pathways at Hartlaw Crescent did not include the stairs at that location which the Partnership had specifically requested

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) - Community Engagement update noted etc. – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

8 With reference to the minutes of 30th April 2025 providing an update on Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) Community Engagement, there was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance providing additional ideas for funding as detailed in an appendix to the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) agreed
 - (i) the 2 proposals, as detailed in the appendix, to be costed; and

- (ii) for the MUGA at Tannadice to be costed for new lighting and resurfacing and for costings to be brought back to the next meeting of the Partnership.

Festive Lighting 2025/26 – Funding approved - Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

9 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding Festive Lighting within the Ward, advising of the central funding of £3,600 available to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting and the proposed costs and locations, advising

- (1) of the 2024/25 festive displays and switch-on events and asked the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2025/26 programme;
- (2) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-2028 festive lighting programme following the procurement exercise carried out to deliver the programme; and
- (3) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be met by Cardonald Area Partnership from other funds.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2025/26 programme; and
- (b) approved funding for all displays that had been delivered as part of the 2024/25 programme, with an additional display to be set up at Mosspark Drive Community Corner, as detailed in the report; and for the additional £12,850 to be met by the Area Partnership Neighbourhood Infrastructure Investment Fund; and
- (c) requested officers to explore the costing of additional festive lighting in Paisley Road West, which had been requested as part of the Neighbourhoods Infrastructure Investment Fund, and that an additional meeting of the Partnership may be required in order to approve additional lighting.

Area Partnerships Development Plan - Update noted.

10 With reference to the minutes of 18th February 2025 when the Partnership noted the development of Area Partnership Plans, there was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding an update on the matter, advising

- (1) of an update on work that was being undertaken city-wide to address child and family poverty and the need for strategic and local priorities to be aligned;

- (2) that 10 Wards had been identified across the city that had high rates of child poverty, and that work in 3 of these Wards, namely Southside Central, Govan and Calton would be evidenced and data driven in order to test different early intervention and prevention approaches to reduce poverty across the city;
- (3) that following approval by the Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Strategic Partnership meeting of 25th March 2025 to undertake intensive testing over a 6-month period that would provide scope for more engagement with key stakeholders, further updates would be provided to Area Partnerships in due course; and
- (4) that in order to allow officers to focus on
 - (a) developing richer means of engagement with communities; and
 - (b) detailed discussions on priority matters, eg child poverty, transport, community safety and the environment,

it was proposed to reduce the number of formal business meetings each year and that Bailie McTaggart had invited the Chairs of each of the Partnerships to a development session to consider and refresh Area Partnership plans to ensure they were informed by the strategic priorities of the Community Planning Partnership and the city-wide performance framework.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

- (i) the work underway to address child and family poverty and the need to align this with Area Partnership Plans; and
- (ii) that updates would be provided to Area Partnerships as the work progressed.

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

11 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 13th March 2025, when the committee approved the 2025/26 Area Budget allocations, there was submitted 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 2025/26;
- (2) that the Cardonald Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £67,115 and that £33,465 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £33,650; and
- (3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2025/26.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the

- (i) position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2025/26; and
- (ii) the application that had been approved under Delegated Functions;

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>
Active Schools Rosshall Cluster	Towards the cost to deliver a 12-week sports programme in partnership with Turf Community Organisation	Awarded £762
*TURF	Towards the cost of continuing the Hello Neighbour Programme each week from September to March which aimed to reduce isolation and improve wellbeing for vulnerable people	Awarded £2,300
Sparta Trampoline Club SCIO	Towards the cost of replacing and repairing trampoline equipment which would allow for the increase in number of members with the aim of decreasing antisocial behaviour	Awarded £6,700
Jade's Child Minding Parent Council	Towards the cost of purchasing outdoor equipment to support outdoor learning through play	Awarded £1,210
Penilee Nursey School	Towards the cost of developing the outdoor area by installing a large shelter/structure that would ensure a safe learning environment for children	Continued for further information
Cycling Without Age	Towards the cost of purchasing a trishaw to be cited at Pollok Park, which would offer rides around the park for those unable to make their own way round which included care home residents in the park's vicinity	Refused as the project would not benefit the ward

Home Start South	Towards the cost of upgrading the website and enhance social media content with up-to-date accessible information for all users	Refused due to the excessive costs
Glasgow Southwest Foodbank	Towards the cost of providing emergency food and hygiene supplies to the most vulnerable people in the community	Refused as the organisation could seek funding from other sources
Glasgow Woodworking Club	Towards the cost of purchasing new woodworking tools and equipment that would allow vulnerable people attending the club to complete a wider range of woodworking projects	Awarded £1,622
Halfway Club	Towards the cost of hosting a special Christmas event for older and vulnerable adults to be held in Crookston Hotel	Awarded £658
**Pollok United 050 Walking Football Group	Towards the cost of purchasing a defibrillator, football kits and equipment for a walking football group for vulnerable people	Awarded £2,024

*Stacey Quinn declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

**Andy Elliott declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Area Budget Evaluation noted.

12 There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding details of projects selected to complete an Evaluation Report,

- (1) advising that projects funded through the area budget were required to comply with the Council's Standard Conditions of Funding which stated that organisations must comply in full with evaluation requirements; and
- (2) detailing, at Appendix 1 of the report, information on 10% of projects funded during 2024/25, which had been selected to complete an Evaluation Report.