

**PARTICK EAST/KELVINDALE AREA PARTNERSHIP.**

Minutes of meeting held on 27th August 2025, Clarice Pears Building, Glasgow University.

**Present:** Councillor Blair Anderson (Chair), Councillor James Adams and Councillor Jill Brown, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Iain Sibbald, Police Scotland; Jane Cowie, Third Sector Interface Network; David Nicholson, Claythorn Community Council; Jean Houston and Ann Laird, Dowanhill, Hyndland and Kelvinside Community Council; Anne Gasteen, Kelvindale Community Council; Maggie Paterson, Partick Community Council; Matthew Gordon; Scottish Youth Parliament; Gail Donaldson, University of 3rd Age (U3a); Karyn Macdonald, Friends of Partick Parks and Greenspaces; Susan Grant, University of Glasgow; and Ross MacPhail, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

**Apologies:** Councillor Lilith Johnstone, Glasgow City Council; Mary Kate Harte and Lynsday Thomson, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Anthony Coia, Partick Housing Association; and Lionel Most, Dowanhill, Hyndland and Kelvinside Community Council.

**Attending:** E Paton (Clerk); H Hamilton (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); K McCormick, D Plizga and R Strachan (for the Executive Director or Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability) and Martina Johnston-Gray, Third Sector Interface Network.

**Minutes of previous meeting approved.**

- 1 The minutes of 23rd April 2025 were submitted and approved.

**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 regarding membership of this Partnership, advising that

- (1) Matthew Gordon had been nominated as the new representative for Scottish Youth Parliament;
- (2) Karyn Macdonald had been nominated as the co-opted member for Friends of Partick Parks and Greenspaces and Lyle McDonald had been nominated as the co-opted substitute; and

- (3) Station Commander James Sullivan had been nominated as the new substitute for Scottish Fire and Rescue Service replacing Station Commander Graeme Morrow.

#### **Police Scotland ward update noted.**

**3** There was heard a report by Inspector Iain Sibbald, Police Scotland, advising the partnership that

- (1) Chief Inspector Nigel Thacker was the newly appointed area commander;
- (2) funding had been approved for a shoplifting team to help tackle the national issue of shoplifting and that the North West area would be the first area where it would be rolled out;
- (3) statistics for assaults was the same as last year and sexual crime incidents had decreased by a third;
- (4) road traffic incidents had quadrupled in comparison to last year and this was due to the work Police Scotland had been undertaking with Traffic Scotland to detect more of these incidents; and
- (5) drug detection was higher due to the increased number of stop searches carried out by Police Scotland.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) raised concerns and questions that were addressed by Inspector Iain Sibbald.

#### **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.**

**4** There was submitted and noted a report by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, advising the Partnership of the incidents that had taken place in the Partick East Kelvindale Ward over the last quarter, which included 6 fires, 6 deliberate fires, 29 unwanted fire alarm signals and 1 road traffic collision.

#### **Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership – Update noted.**

**5** There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP), advising of an update on health improvement within the north west of the city advising

- (1) that Glasgow City Child & Youth Health Improvement Team had released its Annual Report for 2024/25, which could be accessed at

<https://www.stor.scot.nhs.uk/entities/publication/ae8aa397-9f68-400b-872b-45b755fe69c5>;

- (2) of the work by the Glasgow City Alcohol and Drug Partnership Prevention and Education Group and information could be accessed on its annual report 2024/25 at <https://www.stor.scot.nhs.uk/handle/11289/580432>;
- (3) of the Family Wellbeing Hub which provided support to parents/carers of children aged between 5-26 years of age, as detailed in the report;
- (4) of the links to Public Protection Bulletin, GCHSCP Matters Briefing, the Training Calendar, Cost of Living Guide and Youth Health Service and Quit your way, as detailed in the report; and
- (5) that the HENRY programme continued to be delivered in the north west of the city, as detailed in the report.

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

6 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 asking the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2025/26 programme;
- (2) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-28 festive lighting programme following the procurement exercise carried out to deliver the programme;
- (3) that the natural tree on Byres Road had been removed from the site due to ash dieback and therefore was not included in the Area Partnership 2025/26 costs leaving a balance of £400; and
- (4) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be met by Partick East/Kelvindale Area Partnership 2025/26 Area Budget allocation.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2025/26 programme;
- (b) approved the costs for 2025/26 festive lighting which included a Christmas tree (off road) at Mansfield Park and an additional cost to upgrade this to an 18-21ft tree and a switch on event located at Mansfield Park; and

- (c) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
  - (i) bring forward proposals for utilising the remaining £400 from the central funding; and
  - (ii) arrange a site meeting with the Area Partnership, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and Greenspace Team to discuss the area for planting the Christmas tree at Mansfield Park.

**Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network update noted.**

7 There was submitted a report by Ms Jane Cowie, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network (NWGVSN) providing an update on its work, advising

- (1) that this was her last meeting and Kashif Anwar would be her replacement going forward;
- (2) of the concerns and key issues within the ward, as detailed in the report;
- (3) that the Bigger Partick Picnic event had been successful with over 1,000 people in attendance and that Partick Housing Association would be offering Event Management training workshops for young unemployed people within the ward;
- (4) of the work that Partick Community Council had been taking forward to set up 2 “Friends of” groups for Dowanhill Park and Friends of Partick Parks and greenspaces;
- (5) of Partick Housing Association’s 50-year celebrations taking place to celebrate the staff, volunteers and community partners; and
- (6) of details of Partick Housing Association’s Beith Grove Garden project, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) thanked Jane Cowie for all her contributions and work within the ward.

**Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund update noted etc – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

8 There was submitted a report by Kevin McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, regarding the Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund providing an update on projects allocated within the ward for years 2021/22 and 2022/23, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted the report; and
- (2) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability provide a further report to include a column detailing the timeframe in which the project would be completed.

**Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) update noted etc – Requests to Head of Policy and Corporate Governance and Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

9 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) providing an update on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) programme, advising of a progress update including proposals submitted for estimate and a summary of committed spend and actual spend for the ward, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) approved
  - (i) the following proposals, as detailed in the report, in respect of (Ref No 23-005), (Ref 23-011), (Ref 23-022), (Ref 23-039), and (Ref 23-001);
  - (ii) (Ref 23-006) subject to querying the cost with NRS;
  - (iii) (Ref 23-012) subject to NRS referring to the information provided in the original proposal;
  - (iv) (Ref 23-040) subject to checking this cost is correct and does not include costing for (Ref 23-039); and
  - (v) (Ref 23-042) and (Ref 23-043) works be carried out in line with any resurfacing works on the road; and
- (c) agreed
  - (i) to remove (Ref 23-013) due to cost, (Ref 23-009) and (Ref 23-034) due to being already completed and (Ref 23-035) no longer required; and
  - (ii) to put on hold (Ref 23-032) for the time being; and
- (d) requested that Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability;

- (i) cost the following 3 proposals that had been omitted when further details had been provided by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance:
  - (A) pedestrian crossing on Dumbarton Road at Merkland Street;
  - (B) public realm improvement on Dumbarton Road at Stewartville Street; and
  - (C) resurfacing of paths of lanes linking Southampton/Colchester/Manchester/Ashburt/Weymouth Drives;
- (ii) seek clarification of the specific location for (Ref 23-015) and report back to the Partnership for consideration;
- (iii) look at alternative funding for (Ref 23-036) to carry out these works due to the cost;
- (iv) confirm whether (Ref 23-037) would be carried out under business as usual; and
- (v) arrange a site visit for (Ref 23-016) and (Ref 23-024) for Community Council members.

**Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) - Community Engagement update noted etc.**

**10** With reference to the minutes of 2nd 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; and
- (b) agreed
  - (i) the 2 proposals, as detailed in the appendix, to be costed; and
  - (ii) to take an approach of categorising the proposals into “ward wide” and “local” ideas and that they would be mindful of the options for splitting when considering local ideas.

**Area Budget Evaluation noted.**

**11** There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, detailing information on 10% of projects funded during 2024/25, which had been selected to complete an Evaluation Report.

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

**12** 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 Partick East Kelvindale Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £60,284 and that £22,671 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £37,613; and
- (3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2025/26.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
  - (i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2025/26;
  - (ii) the application dealt with under delegated functions, as detailed in the report; and
  - (ii) an application which had been deemed ineligible, as detailed in the report; 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>
Kew Terrace Association	Towards the cost of gardening tools	Refused as members felt the nature of the project taking place in partly private land in an affluent area did not merit funding from Area Budget.
*Glasgow Clyde Colleges	Towards the cost of a 36-week programme for young people at	Awarded £1,125

	Glasgow Clyde College Anniesland to introduce them into a college learning environment in an informal, non-threatening way	subject to condition that Glasgow Clyde Colleges will engage with the AP if they need more representation from young people in PEK
Invisible Cities	Towards the cost of 6 networking events to discuss community involvement, connect with one another and work better locally	Consideration continued for further information
David Cargill House	Towards the cost of key resources to enable a wider range of stimulating activities to improve the overall health, wellbeing, and quality of life of vulnerable older people living with dementia, disabilities, cognitive impairment and ill health	Awarded £1,725
Dowanvale Free Church	Towards the cost of essential items for the Pantry, £300-£350 extra is needed per month to supplement donations from church members and Fareshare, so the application will cover 6 months of provisions	Awarded £2,000
Healy Arts Charity	Towards the cost of providing free Design Workshops for Adults to create 3D imagined micro space satellites that use light as a randomiser of data so that data can be securely distributed around the world	Refused as project did not align with funding priorities in the ward

\*David Nicholson declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision.

### **Area Partnership Development Plan noted.**

**15** With reference to the minutes of 29th January 2025, there was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance advising of the work being carried out to address child and family poverty across the city and the need to align this with Area Partnership plans, with updated reports to be provided to future Partnership meetings.