



Item 7

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**Glasgow Community Planning Partnership
Southside Central Area Partnership
Report by Head of Policy and Corporate Governance
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**Area Budget 2025/26:
Applications for funding.**

Purpose of Report:

To inform the Area Partnership of the current position in relation to the Southside Central Ward Area Budget 2025/26 and to make recommendations on applications for funding, subject to confirmation of available finances.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Area Partnership:

- (1) notes:
 - a) the Glasgow City Council budget position with regards to Area Budget allocations;
- (2) ensures that:
 - (a) its area budget is used in ways which reflect the Council's key objectives;
 - (b) funding awards from 2025/26 are, wherever possible, time critical and proportionate to the overall budget available; and
- (3) approves the funding recommendations contained in Appendix 1.

Allocation Arrangements for 2024/25 Area Budgets.

1. Glasgow City Council is expected to set its 2025/26 budget early in 2025. Area Budget allocations to Area Partnerships have therefore still to be agreed by the Council's City Administration Committee. Any changes to Area Budget allocations from the current levels for 2024/25 will be detailed in a future report.
2. Some Area Partnerships have funding proposals for projects/services to take place early in the 2025/26 financial year. Area Partnerships have the option to approve a portion of funds from their 2025/26 Area Budget at the January/February 2025 cycle of meetings. Any funding recommended will be subject to confirmation of available finances. The Southside Central Area Partnership budget for 2024/25 was £85,842.35 and members are asked to use this as a guide when allocating a portion of the 2025/26 budget.
3. Any funding approved at the January/February 2025 cycle of meetings should be proportionate to the number of anticipated Partnership meetings in 2025/26 and in line with the notional Area Partnership budget allocation for 2025/26.
4. Furthermore, any applications considered at the January/February 2025 cycle of meetings should be time critical - for example, any activity that is due to take place after 1st April 2025 and before (or just after) the first scheduled meeting of the Area Partnership in the new financial year.

Proposals for 2024/25.

5. Two applications for funding in 2025/26 have been received from organisations providing a service in this Ward, and they are summarised in Appendix 1.
6. Applications that are received up to the value of £500 for funding in 2025/26, and that are time critical, can be approved through existing delegated authority arrangements. Any awards made through delegated authority for 2025/26 will then be submitted for noting to the next meeting of the Area Partnership.
7. ***All funding awards made in the January/February 2025 cycle of meetings and via delegated authority from the 2025/26 budget will be subject to available finances.***

Recommendations.

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Appendix 1

Client/Project Title/PRN	Purpose of Grant	Local Investment Priority	Total Project Costs (including match funding)	Amount Requested	Recommendation (including specific conditions)
222/24 The Hidden Gardens – Hidden Kitchen Project	<p>The Hidden Kitchen project will be delivered between April 2025 and March 2026 and will deliver 32 facilitated cooking sessions supporting up to 40 volunteering opportunities for local people (10 from Pollokshields and 30 from Govanhill). Each session, volunteers cook and share healthy meals together with the aim of boosting their wellness and resilience, facilitating dialogue and making more sustained connections.</p> <p>Extra portions of nutritious vegetarian food are also prepared (then redistributed by the Pantry) for Govanhill families in need.</p> <p>Breakdown of costs:</p> <p>Staff £4,725 Insurance, heat, light, first aid etc £4,440 Workshop costs £760 Printing (flyers, recipes, labels) £250</p>	<p>Fairer Communities Vulnerable People and Families</p>	<p>£12,834</p> <p>£9,210 (Roberston Trust, confirmed)</p> <p>£627 (smaller trust/generated income, pending)</p>	<p>£2,997</p> <p>(£749 from Pollokshields Area Partnership)</p>	<p>Approve £2,248 (to be used for ingredients, food containers and contribution to workshop costs only)</p>

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	<p>Goodwill for participants £240</p> <p>Ingredients and food containers £2,419</p> <p>Total £12,834</p>				
<p>302/24</p> <p>We are Wonder</p> <p>“Tangles in the Trees”</p>	<p>Funding required for a programme of Easter Holiday events.</p> <p>“The funding will cover staff, venue hire, and materials for a three-day event at The Woodland Glade/Boiler House in The Hidden Gardens (dates in Easter holidays TBC). We aim to engage 120 participants, focusing on neurodivergent youth and their families, primarily through local ASN schools. Key partners include Firstport, supporting us through the Build It Award, and St Albert’s Primary School ASN provision (Pollokshields ward), with whom we have an established relationship. Other schools and ASN units we are hoping to involve in later development of the project includes: Hazelwood school (Pollokshields ward) Hollybrook Academy (Southside Central Ward) and Hollybrook academy (Southside Central Ward) all four of these schools are an easy distance from The Hidden Garden.</p> <p>This event will benefit the community by</p>	<p>Vulnerable People and Families</p> <p>Cleansing and the Environment</p>	<p>£3,477.00</p> <p>£600 Match funding – Firstport - Confirmed</p>	<p>£2,877.00</p> <p>£1440 from Pollokshields Area Partnership</p>	<p>Award £1,438.50</p>

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	<p>expanding outdoor play opportunities during the Easter holidays and fostering social connections. Participants will experience tangible benefits, such as improved health and enhanced well-being, while the broader community will gain free access to a supported, safe, inclusive environment for outdoor sensory play.”</p> <p><u>Breakdown of Costs</u></p> <p>Venue hire - £800 Staffing Costs - £1,620 Promotional work - £436 Equipment - £601</p> <p>Total cost - £3,477.00</p>				