

**DRUMCHAPEL/ANNIESLAND AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.**

Minutes of meeting held on 17th September 2025, Netherton Community Centre.

- Present:** Bailie Anne McTaggart (Chair), Councillor Fyeza Ikhlaiq and Councillor Davena Rankin, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Siobhan Paterson; Police Scotland, Station Commander Kenneth MacSwan, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Mhairi Shepard; Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Douglas Taylor, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Paul Maher, Blairdardie and Old Drumchapel Community Council; Elspeth Kerr, Drumchapel Community Council; and Ellen Wright, High Knightswood and Anniesland Community Council; and Ross MacPhail; Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.
- Apologies:** Alex Durie, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Frank John, New Hope Community; and Andy Lynch, Drumchapel Community Council.
- Attending:** C Jack (Clerk); S Johnstone, P Boyce and K Gannon (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); S Kelly, J Pickering and K McCormick (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability) and L Lovelock (Glasgow Third Sector and Interface).

**Minutes of previous meeting approved – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

- 1** The minutes of 30th April 2025 were submitted and approved, subject to noting that
- (1) at item 2(1) Ellen Wright highlighted that the developer's contribution information had not been provided and requested that Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability arrange for an appropriate officer to attend the next meeting to speak to this, K McCormick, NRS also advised that he would arrange for a formal response to be provided regarding the play park prioritisation list;
  - (2) at item 2(2) Ellen Wright requested the meeting take note of the correction of the wording from The Hut Temple Shafton to The Hall Temple Shafton;
  - (3) at item 8(a)(vi) Ellen Wright advised that she had shared further details with F O'Rourke on 1st May 2025, an acknowledgement of this had been passed to the NIIF team on 12th May 2025, however there had been no further communication to progress this;
  - (4) at item 8(b)(i) it should be noted that no costings were presented; and

- (5) at item 9(b)(ii) Ellen Wright re-iterated that High Knightswood Anniesland Community Council projects should go forward to the next stage to be assessed and costed by NRS.

**Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership noted etc.**

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 Station Commander Ben Adams and Station Commander James Sullivan had been replaced by Station Commander Kenneth MacSwan and Station Commander Graeme Morrow as substitute for Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

**Variation in order of business noted.**

3 The Partnership agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

**Police Scotland ward update noted.**

4 There was heard a report by Inspector Siobhan Paterson, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership

- (1) that Chief Inspector Colin MacLucas would be replaced by Chief Inspector Nigel Thacker as Area Commander for the North West;
- (2) of the police survey that had commenced on 17th April 2025 until 31st March 2026 <https://consult.scotland.police.uk/strategy-insight-and-innovation/yourpolice-2025-2026/>;
- (3) of the statistics for the reported incidents, crimes recorded, thefts and break-ins;
- (4) that enforcement action against illegal bikes continued; and
- (5) of days of action carried out in the ward.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the update and thanked Inspector Paterson for all the work carried out by Police Scotland within the ward;
- (b) highlighted ongoing issues with dirt bikes and frustration with the reporting process to Police Scotland; and
- (c) raised a number of questions and concerns that were addressed by Inspector Paterson.

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

**5** There was heard a report by Station Commander Kenneth MacSwan, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) 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) that the service had attended 1,224 incidents in the North West area, within the ward there were 5 accidental dwelling fires, 80 deliberate fires, 3 non-domestic fires and 14 unwanted fire alarm signals;
- (2) of the PAFS (Police, Ambulance, Fire Service) course, which had been piloted in the Calton area of the city, giving teenagers experience of emergency services roles, which would be rolled out to the north west in future;
- (3) engagement was underway with schools in the ward with regard to bonfire night; and
- (4) that phase 2 of SFRS consultation was now closed and outcomes would be available in December.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

- (a) the report; and
- (b) thanked Station Commander Kenneth MacSwan for the update and all the work carried out by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in the ward.

### **Area Budget Evaluation noted – Request to Head of Policy and Corporate Governance.**

**6** There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding details of projects selected to complete an Evaluation Report advising that projects funded through the area budget were required to comply with the Council's Standard Conditions of Funding which states that organisations must comply in full with evaluation requirements.

After consideration the partnership

- (1) noted the report; and
- (2) requested that the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance clarify engagement undertaken with regard to the pantry project.

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

7 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 Drumchapel/Anniesland Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £84,175 and that £19,127 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £65,048; and
- (3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2025/26.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2025/26; 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>                                                |
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| Halo Arts                                       | Towards the costs of "It's your choice"                                                                                                                                                       | Withdrawn by applicant                                         |
| 204th Glasgow Scouts                            | Towards the costs to purchase equipment to be provided to those who attend the group on camping expeditions.                                                                                  | Awarded £487.49 by delegated authority                         |
| Goodyear Sport and Social Club                  | Towards the costs to fund equipment for the sports and social club to support the delivery of activities for local people with the hub.                                                       | Consideration continued for further information to be provided |
| *High Knightswood /Anniesland Community Council | Towards the costs to fund Christmas tree lights and the 2025 Seniors Christmas Lunch                                                                                                          | Awarded £2,600                                                 |
| We Step Together                                | Towards the costs to hire a bus to provide group members the experience to visit Glasgow and the wider West of Scotland which may not be possible due to their additional support needs. This | Awarded £1,657                                                 |

would also include the cost  
towards a Christmas lunch

**\*\*Knightswood Early  
Years**

Towards the cost for CCTV for the  
nursery in response to anti-social  
behaviour after nursery hours and  
towards the cost of installation of  
window grills

Consideration continued  
for further information to  
be provided

\*Ellen Wright declared an interest in the application and took no part in the  
discussion or decision thereon.

\*\*The Chair accepted this item of business for consideration, as a matter of urgency,  
in view of the timescales involved.

### **Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund – Community Engagement Updated noted etc.**

**8** With reference to the minutes of 30th April 2025 noting the community  
engagement update on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund and  
approving projects for costings, there was submitted a report by Blairdardie and Old  
Drumchapel Community Council, advising

- (1) that to help as many people as possible vote on priority projects for the fund,  
a steering group with stakeholders had been set up by the community council  
to organise and oversee community engagement;
- (2) of the community engagement process undertaken and a breakdown of the  
online voting for the projects as detailed in the report; and
- (3) of additional ideas for funding as detailed in the report

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
  - (i) the report; and
  - (ii) the community engagement undertaken;
- (b) agreed the following projects to be funded
  - (i) Build Children's Play Area – Greenspace area between Moraine  
Avenue and Blairdardie Drive; and
  - (ii) Build Multi Use Games Area - Greenspace area between Moraine  
Avenue and Blairdardie Drive; and

- (c) thanked Bill Mathieson and Paul Maher, Blairdardie and Old Drumchapel Community Council for the report.

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

9 With reference to the minutes of 30th April 2025, 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 a progress update in relation to the NIIF, including proposals submitted for estimate and a summary of committed spend and actual spend for the ward, as detailed in tables 1, 2 and 3.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted
- (i) the report;
  - (ii) concerns regarding the length of time the process was taking, the volume of proposals being submitted over the 23 wards, the capacity that NRS had to undertake the work involved and the lack of clarification and communication with NRS despite members providing further information as requested at previous meetings;
- (2) approved the estimates for the work to be programmed on the following
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| Ref 14-017 | 2 redeployable CCTV cameras                     |
| Ref 14-019 | Replace/repair pavement                         |
| Ref 14-020 | 6 new picnic benches                            |
| Ref 14-021 | Improvement to footpath and lighting            |
| Ref 14-001 | MUGA pitch and pathways feasibility/design work |
| Ref 14-011 | Children's play area                            |
- (3) confirmed the following proposals that required further information
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| Ref 14-005 | Refurb of hall                               |
| Ref 14-007 | Installation of flashing '20's Plenty' signs |
| Ref 14-009 | Ramp access/plumbing work                    |
| Ref 14-018 | 4 secure benches                             |
- (4) agreed that an informal meeting be arranged by P Boyce, Communities Manager, before the October week to include the ward councillors and relevant officers in order to provide further clarification of the proposed estimates.

## **North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network - Update noted.**

**10** There was submitted a report by Dougie Taylor, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network providing an update of activity undertaken and the local issues identified, advising

- (1) that the Plugged In IT refurbishment project was awarded a grant from LEZ fund in May 2025 which had allowed for the employment of a full-time technician and expansion into North East Glasgow and any donations of equipment would be appreciated by the project;
- (2) lack of investments in local youth services and youth clubs had been highlighted in the media when demand for youth services and safe spaces for young people to go to was needed more than ever;
- (3) of the recent Youth Violence summit held by the Scottish Government and youth disorder issues; and
- (4) that Home-Start was looking for more volunteers to support local families, however due to the PVG legislation change had been proving difficult for volunteers due to the time taken for Disclosure Scotland to process volunteers PVG applications.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

- (a) the report; and
- (b) that Bailie McTaggart and P Boyce, Communities Manager, would progress further clarification with regard to delays with PVG applications for volunteers.

## **Drumchapel Town Centre Regeneration - Presentation noted.**

**11** There was heard and noted a presentation by Jonny Pickering and Sean Kelly, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, regarding Drumchapel Town Centre Regeneration, providing information on

- (1) Drumchapel Town Centre Regeneration (DTCR) and the project workstreams which is funded by UK Government and Glasgow City Council's Community Hubs Fund;
- (2) planned improvements adjacent to Drumchapel shopping centre and improvements to the local area to make it easier for everyone to get around, including the new Drumchapel Town Hall, reopened Drumchapel Park pavilion, proposed reinstated junction at Duntreath Avenue, Garscadden Road, Kinfauns Drive and Drumry Road East and a new civic square outside the new town hall. This follows engagement with local people over the past few years;

- (3) DTCR enabling sites to be assembled for new housing, with around 170 new homes developed by Wheatley Homes Glasgow and part funded by the Strategic Housing Investment Programme;
- (4) vacant derelict land funds work on a Net Zero Masterplan for Drumchapel to look at nature-based solutions to create a climate-resilient community; and
- (5) further information will soon be launched on the Council's website in the form of a story map.

**Local Parks and Open Spaces update noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

**12** With reference to the minutes of 30th April 2025, there was submitted a report by Kevin McCormick, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), 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 and updated information on lighting within Drumchapel and Anniesland ward.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

- (a) the report; and
- (b) a request from Paul Maher that K McCormick, NRS provide clarification on clearing the overgrown trees in the area.

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

**13** 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 Drumchapel/Anniesland Area Partnership from other funds.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2025/26 programme;

- (b) approved additional funding of £4,290 over and above the central funding; and
- (c) requested NRS provide
  - (i) an extra set of lights on the tree located at Great Western Road/Baldwin Avenue;
  - (ii) an extra set of lights on the tree located at Hecla Park;
  - (iii) an extra set of lights on the tree located at Kirkhope Roundabout; and
  - (iv) a planted/restricted growth tree at Kirkhope Roundabout.

**Area Partnership Development Plan noted.**

**14** With reference to the minutes of 30th April 2025 approving the proposed timeline for the development of Area Partnership plans, 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.

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

**15** There was heard an update by Mhairi Shepard, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP), advising of an update on health improvement within the North West of the city and that future meetings would include a written report.