

SOUTHSIDE CENTRAL AREA PARTNERSHIP

Minutes of meeting held on 16th September 2025, City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Alexander Belic (Chair), Councillor Mhairi Hunter and Bailie Soryia Siddique, Glasgow City Council; Station Commander Douglas Miller, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Inspector Graeme Hogg, Police Scotland; Alison McKenna-Breen, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Andrew Carberry, Crosshill/Govanhill Community Council; Tim Porter, Hutchesontown Community Council; Michael Fullerton, New Gorbals Housing Association; and Jess Steele, South East Integration Network.

Attending: J Crawford (Clerk); A Abbot (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and L Thomson (for the Executive Director of, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 29th April 2025 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership 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 since the last meeting, no changes have been made to the membership.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

3 There was heard a report by Inspector Graeme Hogg, Police Scotland advising the Partnership

(1) of the joint incentive in the ward with Police Scotland and DVLA that had resulted in

- (a) 7 vehicles uplifted for not being taxed;
- (b) 7 vehicles being clamped;
- (c) 29 parking tickets had been issued for being on the pavement or double parked on yellow lines;
- (d) 5 cars had warning stickers for not being taxed which the DVLA would follow up;
- (e) NRS would request uplift of 6 abandoned vehicles;

- (2) of the ongoing work at Bridge Street and Calton Place with plain clothed officers in the area to combat anti-social behaviour and encouraged all incidents to be reported to allow them to be officially recorded;
- (3) of the potential closure of the Gorbals Police Station and Police Scotland would ensure that officers would still be allocated to the Gorbals area where and when required; and
- (4) of the day of action to stop and check cyclists to make sure that they were complying with the highway code and road safety.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) thanked Inspector Hogg for the update and all the work carried out by Police Scotland within the ward; and
- (c) would raise the issue of Gorbals Police station closing with Police Scotland to see what plans were in place for covering all areas in the ward.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

4 There was heard and noted a report by Station Commander Douglas Miller, 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 1,002 incidents in the South area that included 403 fires, 224 non-fire incidents and 375 false alarms, 115 Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) with 2 non-fire fatalities recorded;
- (2) of the 27 road traffic collisions in the South Area, there were 9 non-fatal casualties and 3 people rescued by firefighters;
- (3) of the accidental dwelling fire casualties and 10 were non-fatal casualties and 4 people were rescued by firefighters; and
- (4) that the SFRS consultation was at phase 2 and that the general public could still access the link at
<https://www.firescotland.gov.uk/get-involved/consultations/>

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership ward update noted.

5 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP) providing an update regarding work being undertaken by GCHSCP in the South area of the city, as detailed in the report.

Area Partnership Development Plan noted.

6 With reference to the minutes of 18th February 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.

Area Budget Evaluation noted.

7 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.

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

8 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 Southside Central Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £85,842 and that £81,039 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £4,803; 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;
- (b) the 2 applications dealt with under delegated functions, as detailed in the report; and
- (c) 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>
Halo Arts	Towards the cost of delivering pantomimes for school children in the south of Glasgow and they would deliver in St Brides, Cuthbertson and Blackfriars Primary Schools in the ward	Refused
Home Start South	Towards the cost to enhance the website and social media content with up-to-date accessible information for all users.	Refused
Cycling Without Age Scotland	Towards the cost to purchase a trishaw to be cited at Pollok Park.	Refused
St Francis Pipe Band	Towards the purchase of new musical equipment to enable new members to join the band and provide free tuition.	Awarded £2,164
Active Schools Govanhill	Towards the cost to run extracurricular activity in schools to increase physical activity and participation in sport in: Holyrood Secondary, St Bride's Primary, Holy Cross Primary, Annette Street Primary, Cuthbertson Primary	Awarded £2,639

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

9 There was submitted a report by 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 they 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 Southside Central 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 £9,150 be taken from the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund; and
- (c) requested a date and time for the switch on event for the tree in Govannhill Millennium Square.

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

10 With reference to the minutes of 29th 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 the report;
- (2) agreed the proposals and spend to date, as detailed in the report;
- (3) approved the estimates for the work to be programmed on the following projects:-
 - (a) 08-018 –costings for cameras CCTV for Langside Halls and investigation for location;
 - (b) 08-019 – costings for camera installation for Calton Place and Bridge Street; and
 - (c) 08-021 – costings and investigation for benches, bollards and fencing for Balvicar Square; and
- (4) requested that
 - (a) 08-022 – if Langside Hall proposition was agreed, this would be removed from the table; and

(b) 08-020 – Southern Necropolis information was agreed and map supplied to Lisa Thomson (NRS).

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

11 With reference to the minutes of 29th April 2025 providing an update on Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) Community Engagement there was submitted and noted a report providing a further update on Community Engagement, advising

- (1) of the description and location of the potential works; and
- (2) of the options that the partnership should consider as to how they wish to proceed with splitting the NIIF allocations.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) agreed that the proposals as detailed on appendix 1, should go forward to the next stage to be assessed and costed by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.
 - (i) Dixon Community - £100,000 for new heating system;
 - (ii) Langside Halls - £74,961 for upgrade works;
 - (iii) CCTV cameras - £30,000 for Calton Place and Bridge Street; and
 - (iv) Festive Lighting - £9,150
- (c) requested a report for the next meeting regarding the ENV2 funding available to Southside Central.