

HILLHEAD AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 5th November 2024, by video conference.

Present: Bailie Martha Wardrop (Chair), Councillor Ken Andrew and Bailie Seonad Hoy, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Iain Sibbald, Police Scotland; Watch Commander Paul Carbry, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Alex Durie, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Anna Dyer, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Jean Charsley, Hillhead Community Council; Louise MacKenzie, North Kelvin Community Council; Stephen Rhind, Woodside Community Council; and Ross MacPhail, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Station Commander Graeme Morrow, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; and Angelica Wilson, Students' Representative Council, University of Glasgow.

Attending: E Miller (Clerk); P Boyce, R O'Sullivan and I Singh (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); A Gavin (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); C Alison, North Kelvin Community Council; and J Murie (for the Interim Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Officer).

Appointment of substitute approved.

1 In terms of paragraph 6.10 of the Governance Framework, the Partnership noted that in the absence of the representative and the substitute representative from Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, the Chair had approved the attendance of Watch Commander Paul Carbry.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

2 The minutes of 27th August 2024 were submitted and approved, subject to noting at Item 7(b)(i) and (ii), regarding Byres Road Public Realm Project, that requested information had been circulated to the Partnership.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership 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

- (1) Alex Durie had been nominated as the representative for Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership replacing Mary Kate Harte;

- (2) Stephen Rhind had been nominated as the representative, replacing James Findlay and Ellie Harrison had been nominated as the substitute representative, replacing Angus MacLean for Woodside Community Council; and
- (3) Joyce Khatri had been nominated as the representative for North Kelvin Community Council replacing Merle Read.

Community Planning Partnership – Governance Framework - Register of Interests noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration advising the Partnership of the requirements in relation to the Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework regarding the registration and declaration of members' interests and detailing those interests which had been declared by members of the Partnership, as detailed in the report.

Festive Lighting 2024/25 update noted – Funding approvals noted – Declaration of interest.

5 With reference to the minutes of 27th August 2024, there was heard a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the festive lighting programme 2024/25, advising of the proposals considered and approved by the 3 ward Councillors, under delegated authority, advising of

- (1) St George's Cross natural trees and switch on event, totalling £7,410, to be funded by Connecting Woodside;
- (2) Byres Road, Clarice Pears, Glasgow University Christmas tree and street lighting column, totalling £4,560;
- (3) Byres Road natural trees with fixed lights, totalling £725, to be shared with Partick East/Kelvindale Area Partnership; and
- (4) Byres Road/Church Street lights in natural trees and street lighting column, totalling £3,985, to be shared with Partick East/Kelvindale Area Partnership.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the funding approvals for proposals 2 and 3 totalling £5,285, less central funding of £3,600 leaving a balance of £1,685 to be deducted from the Area Budget; and
- (b) refused funding for Byres Road/Church Street locations, which would no longer continue as Partick East/Kelvindale Area Partnership would not be allocating their funding share for this project.

Councillor Wardrop declared an interest in this item of business and took no part in the discussion thereon and Councillor Andrew assumed the Chair for this item only.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

6 There was heard a report by Inspector Iain Sibbald, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership

- (1) of the national Policing Vision 2030, which would be a revised vision for policing in the UK, with more information to be found at [Policing Vision 2030](#);
- (2) that statistics for reported incidents had decreased, however the number of crimes recorded had increased due to shoplifting and that plain clothed officers had assisted to address this issue;
- (3) that an offender had been identified, following several commercial property incidents on Byres Road;
- (4) that road safety engagement within Car Free School Zone areas continued and illegal parking monitored around school premises;
- (5) that reports of all suspicious activity should be reported to Police Scotland by calling 101 or via Crimestoppers at 0800 555111; and
- (6) that there had been no concerns/incidents raised at Kelvingrove Park.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report and thanked Inspector Sibbald for the update and all the work carried out by Police Scotland within the ward; and
- (b) raised concerns that were addressed by Inspector Sibbald.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

7 There was heard a report by Watch Commander Paul Carbry, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 2, from 1st July to 30th September 2024, advising the Partnership

- (1) that the service had attended 1,132 incidents in the North West area of which 127 were in the ward, 25 fires, 27 Special Services and 75 false alarms, with no fatalities recorded;
- (2) of the work carried out by SFRS to educate youths and the general public to raise continued awareness on water safety, including working with Queens Cross Housing Association, school engagements and the introduction of QR codes, which provided safety information; and

- (3) that Stage 2 of the public consultation would be progressed during early 2025.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report and thanked Watch Commander Carbry for the work carried out by the service; and
- (b) raised concerns and questions that were addressed by Watch Commander Carbry.

Glasgow City Food Plan – Presentation by Glasgow Food Partnership noted.

8 The Partnership heard a presentation by Ms Jill Muirie, Glasgow Centre for Population Health regarding Glasgow's Food Plan, advising

- (1) that the vision for Glasgow was to be recognised for its good food and as a city where tasty, healthy, affordable food was accessible to everyone;
- (2) of the Glasgow Food Policy Partnership partners and how the Plan had been collaboratively developed over 2 years;
- (3) of the 6 themes in the food plan, as detailed in the report; and
- (4) of the evolving plan together with the long-term outcomes of the plan, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted and thanked Ms Muirie for the presentation; and
- (b) raised concerns regarding the lack of space for the community to grow its own food.

Winter maintenance 2024/25 update noted.

9 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, regarding an update on the 2024/25 Winter Maintenance Plan, advising

- (1) that the Winter Maintenance Plan could be viewed at https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/media/14516/Winter-Maintenance-Plan-2024-2025/pdf/WMP_2024-2025_v2_002.pdf?m=1726841509250
- (2) of the work carried out by the programme during the winter of 2023/24;
- (3) of the priority cycle, footway and carriageway routes;

- (4) that numerous grit bins would be located throughout the city to allow members of the public to grit areas out with priority routes and grit bin locations could be found at <http://glasgowgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/LocalPerspective/index.html?appid=e99ff0bfd5a44fd6a1c68de66e123299>; and
- (5) that procurement for a replacement small sized mechanised plant and mounted gritters/brine tanks had commenced to support footway and cycle way de-icing.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) highlighted areas of concern to be addressed during the winter months, including areas around subways.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund report noted – Funding approved – Request to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

10 With reference to the minutes of 27th August 2024, there was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund (NIF), advising

- (1) of an update following a site visit carried out on 4th September 2024, at Queen Margaret Road/Kelvinside Terrace South which proposed:-
 - (a) re-opening the road for a 12-month trial period with reflective planters in place on the south side of Kelvinside Terrace South;
 - (b) carriageway resurfacing of Kelvinside Terrace West/Kelvinside Terrace South and kerbing repairs;
 - (c) that traffic counts would be taken before and after the installation of planters and injury accidents monitored, with the community consulted after the pilot period before any decision would be taken on the permanent re-opening of Queen Margaret Road/Kelvinside Terrace South; and
 - (d) that work would commence during December 2024, after Scottish Water had completed its outstanding work; and
- (2) that a site visit had been carried out regarding the traffic system on Great Western Road, which would require to be upgraded as the crossing signal was no longer fit for purpose.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) approved funding of £32,250 for resurfacing work and £12,000 on planters, totalling £44,250, at Queen Margaret Road/Kelvinside Terrace South;
- (b) agreed that drainage costs of £22,000 would be deducted from the current drainage allocation within NIF for the ward;
- (c) noted that
 - (i) Ross MacPhail, NRS would contact Nicola Bell, Group Manager – Traffic and Road Safety, NRS to confirm who would be responsible for the cost to replace the traffic signal on Great Western, with an update provided at the next meeting of the Partnership;
 - (ii) the 3 CCTV cameras requested by the Partnership at Hillhead Street, Hillhead Steps and Cresswell Street playpark would be investigated, with an update provided to a future meeting of the Partnership; and
 - (iii) any loose paving/cobbles left at the edge of roads after repairs had been carried out by utility companies should be followed up by the Council for a period of up to 2 years after the work had been completed, and that if any repairs remained outstanding they should be reported to the relevant department for action; and
- (d) requested that
 - (i) damaged cobbles on Hillhead steps and Clarendon Street from Maryhill Road to Glenfarg Street be costed, with a view to replacing them;
 - (ii) a survey be carried out by Scottish Water to address concerns at the collapse in the road at Clarendon Street;
 - (iii) Ross MacPhail, NRS follow up on a feasibility study for Cameron Memorial Fountain that had taken place;
 - (iv) a meeting be arranged between ward Councillors and community representatives in January 2025 to confirm spending to date and to discuss potential projects that could utilise the remaining budget; and
 - (v) Ross MacPhail, NRS provide a report to the next meeting of the Partnership, detailing the remaining budget and any proposals, based on the outcome from the additional meeting, for Partnership approval.

Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network update noted.

11 There was heard a report by Ms Anna Dyer, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network (NWGVSN) providing an update on its work, advising

- (1) of the continued IT recycling project “Plugged In” and that information could be accessed via <https://nwgvsn.org.uk/plugged-in-it-project/> who would accept any old IT equipment to be refurbished;
- (2) of the continued concerns with regards to the cost of living crisis, the increased demand on services and that some members would be considering fund raising and crowd funding to keep facilities open or to offer additional services;
- (3) of the issues around childcare spaces and that Community Central Halls (CCH) continues to have a Partnership Nursery and affordable prices for all childcare;
- (4) that CCH were refurbishing the Breakthrough Youth Services Zone;
- (5) of the plans to expand the services of the Community Fridge to encourage greater engagement with the Network’s regular users and planned to introduce a Money Advice service which would operate within a new café setting;
- (6) of an update on Woodside Halls, The Coach House Trust and Flourish House, as detailed in the report; and
- (7) of the concerns regarding the closing date of the City Development Plan 2, the changes to National Insurance Contributions and budget cuts, which could affect the future of the voluntary sector.

After consideration, the partnership noted

- (a) the report; and
- (b) that Bailie Wardrop would raise the concerns highlighted by the Partnership regarding the City Development Plan with the appropriate officer.

Findings from the Health and Wellbeing survey noted.

12 There was heard an update by Alex Durie, North West Health Improvement Team, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership, regarding the findings from the Health and Wellbeing survey.

After consideration, the Partnership noted that due to technical issues, the presentation would be circulated to the Partnership and could be accessed at <https://biteable.com/watch/4232715/1ad9f483f3d928c6ee32744c594c176c> and the full report could be accessed at <https://www.stor.scot.nhs.uk/handle/11289/580385>.

Area Budget 2024/25 – Applications for funding dealt with etc.

13 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 21st March 2024, when the committee approved the 2024/25 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 2024/25;
- (2) that the Hillhead Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2024/25 was £61,838.56 and that £44,422.96 had been allocated to date, including £660 under the scheme of delegated functions and £1,685 towards Festive Lighting, leaving a balance of £15,730.60; and
- (3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2024/25.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2024/25; 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>
Queens Cross Housing Association – Woodside Community Garden	Towards the cost of materials, build/installation of new raised bed plots and removal of waste materials from rotten structures in Woodside Community Garden	Awarded £4,500
Bellhaven Nursery – Outdoor Clothing	Towards the cost of outdoor all-weather suits and boots to help the children explore the local community	Awarded £1,956.16
Oakgrove Primary School Parent Council	Towards the cost of end of year activities for all pupils in the school and to purchase leavers hoodies for primary 7 pupils	Consideration continued for further information
Gathering Round CIC – Canalside Croft Community Garden	Towards the cost of materials relating to developing the setup of the garden which will seek to engage residents of the Canal and Hillhead wards	Awarded £840
Parent Community Sports Trust –		Awarded £750

Children's Healthy
Living Challenge

Towards the cost of providing
fitness classes for 24 primary
school age children who are not
currently taking part in regular
exercise

Future meeting dates 2025 approved.

14 The dates of the 2025 meetings were submitted and approved by the Partnership as detailed below.

Wednesday 29th January 2025 at 1000 hours
Tuesday 1st April 2025 at 1400 hours
Tuesday 26th August 2025 at 1400 hours
Tuesday 4th November 2025 at 1400 hours.