

BAILLIESTON AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 18th November 2025, by video conference.

Present: Councillor Alex Kerr (Chair), Councillor John Daly and Bailie Kevin Lalley, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Stephen Gow, Police Scotland; Watch Commander Ryan O'Neill, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Rosalind Ramage, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Andy Gilbert, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Stephen Love, Baillieston Community Council; Daytona Mills, Garrowhill Community Council; Marianne Harvey, Swinton Community Council; and Ross MacPhail, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Station Commander Russell McKinlay, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; and John Malone, Swinton Community Council.

Attending: L Richards (Clerk); K Kenny (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and N Byfield, Glasgow Life.

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 for Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, the Chair had approved the attendance of Watch Commander Ryan O'Neill, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

2 The minutes of the previous meeting of 9th September 2025 were submitted and approved.

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

3 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 13th March 2025 (Print 7, page 31), 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 Baillieston Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £63,838 and that £40,274 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £23,564; 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; and
- (ii) the 6 applications dealt with under delegated functions, 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>
*Easthall Resident's Association	Towards cost of various Christmas events	Awarded £5,278
Easterhouse FA	Towards cost of Christmas outings in December 2025	Awarded £1,849 on pro rata basis with East Centre and North East Area Partnerships
Education Services – Caledonia Primary School	Towards cost of purchasing 6 laptops to assist the school to support families with no access to IT and to help access free school meals and relevant benefits	Awarded £2,865
Education Services – Garrowhill Primary School	Towards cost of purchasing headphones for ipads to assist children with barriers to learning	Awarded £2,776
Education Services – Swinton Primary School	Towards the cost of replacing outdoor equipment to allow the children the opportunity to play outdoors	Awarded £2,000
**Garrowhill Primary Parent Council	Towards the cost of purchasing stylus pencils for the children to use with school ipads and to complete more detailed work including fully engaging with educational apps	Consideration continued to allow the Parent Council to confirm if they would be able to contribute towards the costs

***St George's and St Peter's Community Association	Towards the cost of taking 75 older people for lunch and to the pantomime at Platform Easterhouse	Awarded £150 on a pro rata basis with East Centre and North East Area Partnerships
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*Andy Gilbert declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision.

**Daytona Mills declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision.

***Councillor Alex Kerr declared an interest in this item of business and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon and Councillor John Daly assumed the Chair for the remaining items of business.

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

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) providing an update on the progress of the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) and governance arrangements, advising

- (1) that a report was submitted to Area Partnerships in August 2024 outlining the criteria of the NIIF and a process was agreed to ensure that all NIIF decisions were aligned to external audit requirements, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;
- (2) that between May and July 2025, NRS had prepared detailed NIIF reports for each area partnership that included estimates for proposed NIIF ideas and spend to date, with estimated costs for NIIF ideas presented to the August/September 2025 meetings totalling £13,070,936.78 in estimates, that was more than half of the NIIF budget;
- (3) of a breakdown of spend and estimates that had been considered for approval at each area partnership, as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report;
- (4) that NRS were currently formalising appropriate governance arrangements for the funding of murals through NIIF and were working closely with procurement colleagues to agree an approach for the delivery of murals; and
- (5) of the procurement legislation, continued management of the NIIF process and governance arrangements, as detailed in Appendix 3 of the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;

- (b) requested the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability provide further details on the procurement of mural artists; and
- (c) agreed not to proceed with project Ref No 20-014 - 4 redeployable public space CCTV cameras at Ware Road together with maintenance costs, due to any ongoing maintenance costs being unable to be funded.

Festive Lighting 2026/27 – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

5 The Partnership requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability submit a report to the next meeting on the proposed festive lighting programme 2026/27, particularly in relation to whether the existing permanent Christmas trees in the ward would be mature enough next year to have Christmas lights on them.

Date and time of next meeting noted.

6 The Partnership noted the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, 10th February 2026 at 1000 hours.