

CANAL AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 14th November 2025, by video conference.

Present: Councillor Allan Gow (Chair), Lord Provost Jacqueline McLaren, Councillor Fiona Higgins, and Councillor Robert Mooney, Glasgow City Council; Mhairi Shephard, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Jill Mackay, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; and Ross MacPhail, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Chief Inspector Declan Todd and Inspector Emma Mark, Police Scotland; and Ann McGinley, Ruchill Community Council.

Attending: A Croall (Clerk); and K Gannon (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 5th September 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,

- (1) Inspector Emma Mark had been nominated as the new representative for Police Scotland replacing Inspector Lynn Edwards; and
- (2) Stephanie Thomson had been nominated as the substitute representative for Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership, filling the vacant position.

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

3 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 Canal Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £108,959 and that £99,089.55 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £9,869.05; 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>
Milton Arts Project	Towards the cost of procuring an expert in fundraising within the creative arts space	Awarded £6,875
Milton Food Hub	Towards the cost of essential electrical repairs and tanking of basement to the church at Liddesdale Square	Refused - Applicant is not the current owner of the building of which works were being proposed
Boom Community Arts	Towards the cost of running a 'Santa Saunter' event through Ruchill and Possilpark	Refused – Duplication of funding for Christmas activities within Possilpark area
Maryhill Mobile Children's Services	Towards the cost of equipment to support the delivery of outdoor learning for the nursery based at Cadder Primary School	Awarded £ 2,301.98

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) update noted.

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; and
- (b) agreed that the main focus at the next meeting would be to commit spend from the remaining balance of the fund.

Date and time of next meeting noted.

5 The Partnership noted that the next meeting would take place on Friday, 6th February 2026 at 1100 hours.