

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

Minutes of meeting held on 26th November 2025, Hybrid meeting.

**Present:** Bailie Anne McTaggart (Chair), Councillor Paul Carey, Councillor Fyeza Ikhlaiq and Councillor Davena Rankin, Glasgow City Council; Elspeth Kerr and Andy Lynch, Drumchapel Community Council; Ellen Wright, High Knightswood and Anniesland Community Council; Paul Maher, Blairdardie and Old Drumchapel Community Council; Paul Smith, Temple Shafton youth project; and R MacPhail; Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

**Apologies:** Inspector Siobhan Paterson; Police Scotland, Station Commander Kenneth MacSwan, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Douglas Taylor, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Alex Durie, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; and Frank John, New Hope Community.

**Attending:** N Palmer (Clerk); S Johnstone (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and L Lovelock (Glasgow Third Sector and Interface).

**Minutes of previous meeting approved – Requests to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability and Head of Policy and Corporate Governance.**

**1** The minutes of 17th September 2025 were submitted and approved, subject to noting that

- (1) at item 1(1) Ellen Wright highlighted that the developer's contribution information had not been provided despite this being highlighted at the previous meeting and requested Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) provide the Partnership with an update at the February 2026 meeting;
- (2) at item 6(2) Ellen Wright highlighted they had not received further information from Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding engagement with the pantry project;
- (3) Ellen Wright, on behalf of Drumchapel Community Council, had returned £1,500 to the Area Partnership for the High Knightswood and Anniesland lights which has been added to the commitment towards the Festive Lighting;
- (4) at Item 13
  - (a) Elspeth Kerr requested that NRS clarify whether the extra set of lights the Community Councils would be receiving would be effective as previously the lights had been of poor quality; and

- (b) Ellen Wright requested that NRS confirm whether the lights at Knightswood Cross would be working effectively as the Glasgow Times would be live streaming the Christmas Switch on event, R MacPhail advised that he would contact the Festive Lighting team regarding this;
- (5) Paul Maher expressed his disappointment and concerns over the quality of the lights being supplied and requested that the Festive Lighting team investigate this in January 2026 as the lights were not value for money; and
- (6) Councillor Carey expressed his concern as last Christmas Eve Drumchapel's festive lights had gone out due to high winds and were not repaired, R MacPhail advised of RALF (Reporting a Lighting Fault) system which the public could use to log any lighting faults and he would share RALF's contact details with the Partnership.

**Area Budget 2025/26 – Applications for funding dealt with etc – Request to Head of Policy and Corporate Governance.**

**2** 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 £39,208 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £44,967; 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) requested that
  - (i) groups be encouraged to seek match funding prior to submission of an application to the Partnership; and
  - (ii) groups related to food banks and food parcels be encouraged to engage and link up;
- (c) the 6 applications dealt with under delegated functions, as detailed in the report; and
- (d) 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>
*G15 Thriving Places – Celebrating International Women's Day	Towards the cost of venue hire and activities for a free, open access event that uplifts, connects and empowers people of all backgrounds	Awarded £4,660
Active Schools Knightswood Cluster	Towards the cost of a programme of physical wellbeing activities among schools in the Knightswood Academy learning cluster for Blairdardie Primary, Knightswood Primary and Knightswood Secondary	Awarded £2,400
Blairdardie & Old Drumchapel Community Council	Towards the cost of installing a redeployable CCTV camera within the local area	Refused due to proposal being explored by other sources
Active Schools St Thomas Aquinas Cluster	Towards the cost of funding physical activities among schools in the St Thomas Aquinas cluster and St Ninian's Primary School will benefit from this	Awarded £600
Buddies Club - Parties for Young People	Towards the cost of providing a series of Christmas parties for young people who attend their weekday and Sunday groups	Awarded £2,227
**Netherton 50+ Group – Winter Programme 2025/26	Towards the cost of hosting Winter Programme 2025/26	Awarded £2,718
***Knightswood Anniesland Trinity Church Community – Christmas Lunch	Towards the cost of a Christmas lunch in the community	Awarded £1,500
New Hope Communities – Christmas food parcels	Towards the cost of food parcels delivered to 45 of the most vulnerable families in the ward	Awarded £1,800
Goodyear Sport and Social Club – Goodyear Hub Equipment	Towards the cost of equipment for the sports and social club to support the delivery of activities aimed at better engaging local people with the hub	Awarded £5,789

Home Start Glasgow	Towards the cost of purchasing equipment, resources, training as well as a Christmas Event.	Awarded £2,285
****Drumchapel L.I.F.E – Chance 2 Change project	Towards the cost to support the Chance to Change project	Awarded £6,000
Men Matter Scotland – Outwards Bound project	Towards the cost to continue the Outward Bound – Go Wild project	Awarded £8,418
*****Temple Shafton Youth Project – Duke of Edinburgh	Towards the cost of 12 young people aiming to complete their physical recreation section of the Duke of Edinburgh Awards	Awarded £2,201

\*Elspeth Kerr declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

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\*\*\*\*\*Paul Shafton declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

### **Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) update noted.**

**3** 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) Andy Lynch highlighted that exterior painting had not been carried out on Drumchapel Community Centre, which had been due to be repaired during Covid and was not carried out, despite getting costings for the work and R MacPhail encouraged new ideas and proposals like this to be brought to the next meeting for discussions; and
- (c) Paul Smith expressed his frustration at the lack of communication and any works being undertaken at The Hut and R MacPhail advised he would engage with the Project Management Officer and provide an update.

#### **Date and time of next meeting noted.**

**4** The Partnership noted the next meeting would be held on Wednesday, 18th February 2026 at 1000 hours in Drumchapel Community Centre.