

LINN AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 18th September 2025, Barlia Football Centre, Glasgow.

Linn Area Partnership.

Present: Bailie Paul McCabe (Chair), Councillor Catherine Vallis and Bailie Margaret Morgan, Glasgow City Council; John Harkins, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; John Lawless, Carmunnock Community Council; Christopher Tait, Castlemilk Community Council; Kelly C Bruce, Castlemilk Youth Complex; Ross McPhail, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; and Jess Steele, South East Integration Network.

Apologies: Councillor John Carson, Inspector Chris Thomson, Police Scotland, Station Commander Douglas Millar, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Liz Connor, Fair Deal, Mhairi Taylor, Cathcart, Merrylee and Muirend Community Council and Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); and H McMillan (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of the previous meeting of 24th April 2025 were submitted and approved.

Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership update noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding the membership of this Partnership, advising that

- (1) there had been no changes to the membership since the previous meeting; and
- (2) Cathcart and District Community Council was now named Cathcart, Merrylee and Muirend Community Council.

Police Scotland ward update – Consideration continued.

3 The Partnership continued consideration of this item to the next meeting.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, advising the Partnership of the incidents that had taken place in the Linn Ward for Quarter 1, 1st April - 30th June 2025.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership – Ward update noted.

5 There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP) providing an update on activity within the Ward, advising

- (1) that the Glasgow City Health Improvement Training Calendar offered different levels of training on a range of subjects from at various levels and that further information and booking details could be accessed via <https://www.nhsqgc.scot/your-health/public-health/health%20improvement/glasgow-city-hscp-health-improvement/training-calendar/>;
- (2) of the GCHSCP Cost of Living Support Guide that provided easy access to available supports across Glasgow and was presented under various themes and a link to the guide could be found at <https://sway.cloud.microsoft/JybLXvWE5NmGowSX?ref=email>;
- (3) of the Breastfeeding Support in South Glasgow/NHS GGC, is providing support groups across NHS GCC <https://glasgowcity.hscp.scot/news/supporting-breastfeeding-glasgow>;
- (4) of the progress on the Health, Exercise and Nutrition for the Really Young (HENRY) approach programme; and
- (5) that the Hidden Shame Resource Session: Childhood Poverty had taken place on 18th September 2025, with further information when available, being issued to the Partnership by Heather McMillan, Communities Team.

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

6 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 Linn Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £80,437 and that £57,986 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £22,451; 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 2 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>
*Castlemilk Community Football Trust	Towards the cost of a new mural at the centre and storage containers	Awarded £6,710
Senior Citizens Centre	Towards the cost of new kitchen equipment	Awarded £1,000
The Birgidale Complex	Towards the cost of a range of wellbeing activities and training between September 2025 and March 2026	Awarded £800 towards kick start of community garden programme
The Jeely Piece	Towards the cost of purchasing a storage container for the nursery's outdoor equipment	Awarded £2,808
Kingscroft Community Centre	Towards the cost of hosting Christmas parties for all ages and to pilot a youth drop-in over the winter months	Awarded £3,500
Education Active Schools – Castlemilk and St Margaret and Mary's cluster	Towards the cost of delivering free, engaging sports and activity programme in schools within the cluster providing breakfast, lunch time and after school clubs	Awarded £3,754
Education Active Schools – Holyrood cluster	Towards the cost of delivering free, engaging sports and activity programme in schools within the cluster providing breakfast, lunch time and after school clubs	Awarded £1,400
Project 31	Towards the cost of delivering a Parents Play too programme based in Croftfoot United Church	Refused

Castlemilk White Heather Club	Towards the cost of a Christmas party with a 3 course meal, entertainment and gifts to take home	Awarded £900
Halo Arts	Towards the cost of delivering pantomimes for school children in the South of Glasgow	Refused
Home Start South	Towards the cost of upgrading the website and enhance social media content with up to date accessible information for all users	Awarded £927
Cycling Without Age Scotland (CWAS)	Towards the cost of purchasing a trishaw to be cited at Pollok Park	Refused

* Christopher Tait and John Harkins declared an interest in this item of business and took no part in the discussions or decisions thereon.

Festive Lighting 2025/26 update noted - Funding approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding Festive Lighting within the Ward, advising of

- (1) the central funding of £3,600 available to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting and the proposed costs and locations;
- (1) the 2024/25 festive displays and switch-on events and asking the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2025/26 programme;
- (2) the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-28 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 Linn Area Partnership from other funds.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) approved costs totalling £5,480 towards Festive Lighting within the ward at the following locations:-

- (i) Coupar Institute Christmas tree and switch-on;

- (ii) Carmunnock Christmas tree and switch-on; and
- (iii) Castlemilk Lost Lives Garden natural tree and switch-on; and

(c) agreed that

- (i) additional funding should be deducted from the Neighbourhoods Infrastructure Fund (NIF), to be split as a percentage deduction from each Community Council's NIF allocation; and
- (ii) following this meeting, Bailie McCabe would circulate the breakdown of percentage split detailed above following the meeting for final approval.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) update noted etc – Funding approved, after division.

8 With reference to the minutes of 24th 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 of 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 of the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) agreed the proposals and spend to date, as detailed in the report; and
- (c) approved the next steps in relation to the undernoted projects:-
 - (i) 01-003 - £10,000 for the purchase and installation of 4 picnic benches at Play Park;
 - (ii) 01-008 - £5,000 for a handrail, ramp and dropped kerb at Castlemilk Memorial Garden, Castlemilk Drive/Dougie Road;
 - (iii) 01-009 - Continued consideration requesting further breakdown of costs for the installation of an Outdoor Gym;
 - (iv) 01-017 - £9,500 for the installation of fixed CCTV camera at Lainshaw Drive;
 - (v) 01-018 - £7,000 for patching of road at Kirk Road, Carmunnock;
 - (vi) *01-022 – continued consideration for further information to be provided that provided a cheaper, alternative option other than chained link fencing; and

(vii) 01-023 - £9,500 for installation of redeployable CCTV due to fly tipping at pathway from Birgidale to Downcraig; and

* Councillor Vallis, seconded by Christopher Tait, moved that Ref 01-022 be approved in its entirety.

Bailie McCabe, seconded by Bailie Morgan, moved as an amendment that Ref 01-022 be continued for further information to be provided for a cheaper, alternative option other than chained link fencing.

On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 3 members voted for the motion and 3 for the amendment.

After failing to secure the 2/3 majority of votes required for either proposal, the Partnership agreed to continue consideration of the matter to look at alternative, cheaper options other than chain link fencing.

(d) noted the update provided in relation to the following projects:

- (i) 01-014 – Refurbishment of Croftfoot Roundabout - In progress;
- (ii) 01-021 – Addressing flooding issues at Daffodil Walk, Castlemilk Park – Bailie McCabe indicated that elected members should liaise with NRS and explore whether this project could be dealt with under Business as Usual; and
- (iii) 01-012 – Installation of 2 CCTV Fixed Cameras at Castlemilk Drive – as indicated, this was deemed a duplicate in relation to previous approvals of 01-010 and 01-015; and
- (iv) 01-020 – Improvement works at front of Couper Institute - Noted progress that should go alongside the Council's Active Travel Plans for Holmlea Road/Clarkston Road.

Thereafter, the Partnership heard potential NIIF projects put forward by Christopher Tait and John Harkins, and after discussion agreed the following:

- (A) request for replacement windows and lighting improvements outside at the Birgidale Complex – As replacement windows was deemed as maintenance and did not meet the criteria of NIIF, this would not be an appropriate proposal, however, options to provide lighting outside the complex should be investigated by NRS officers and reported back to the Partnership; and
- (B) request for electronic signage to encourage drivers to slow down along Ardencaraig Road towards Miller Primary School – Bailie McCabe agreed to liaise with NRS to request a speed check to be carried out in this area.

Area Budget Evaluation noted.

9 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 Partnership Development Plan noted.

10 With reference to the minutes of 19th 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.