

CALTON AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 12th November 2025, by video conference.

Calton Area Partnership.

Present: Greg Hepburn (Chair), Cecilia O'Lone and Linda Pike, Glasgow City Council; Morven Bell, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Colin Harkins, Bridgeton and Dalmarnock Community Council; Catherine Kerr, Calton Community Council; Susan McKeown, Parkhead Housing Association; and Maggie MacBean, Possibilities for Each and Every Child (PEEK).

Apologies: Station Commander Gary Ganning, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Margaret Storrie, West of Scotland Housing Association; and Ross MacPhail, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Attending: E Paton (Clerk); K McIntosh (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and M Bradley, D Plizga and R Strachan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 24th September 2025 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership noted etc.

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) Michaela Collins had replaced Vicky Fox as the substitute co-opted member for Possibilities for Each and Every Kid;
- (2) Catherine Kerr had been nominated as the representative for Calton Community Council; and
- (3) Parkhead Community Council was now active and both positions were vacant.

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 Calton Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £99,512 and £55,115 had been allocated to date, therefore leaving a balance of £44,397; 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;
 - (ii) the 1 application dealt with under delegated functions, as detailed in the report;
 - (iii) the 1 ineligible application, 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>
Daughters of Charity (The Listening Heart)	Towards the cost of providing training for 20 volunteers on Bereavement issues	Awarded £1,200
*Parkhead Housing Association	Towards the cost of offering a safe space where people can come together in Parkhead Schoolhouse to reduce isolation and improve mental wellbeing	Refused due to high costs and in-kind benefit
Unity for Integration Project	Towards the cost of 10-week oral history and creative storytelling project	Awarded £640
Green Trees Nursery	Towards the cost of developing their outdoor learning environment to promote the wellbeing for all children	Awarded £7,399
Church House	Towards the cost of providing 10 Christmas meals for different age groups supporting 200 people,	Awarded £2,910

	ticket cost to take 60 people to the Pantomime, Christmas trip for 5 groups of 16 young people and purchasing sensory equipment for ASN support programmes	
The Haliday Foundation	Towards the cost of 3 65-inch televisions for training purposes, along with 80 foldable chairs and one storage trolley	Continue consideration for further information
Reidvale Housing Association	Towards the cost of purchasing a projector and televisions to host movie nights and educational screenings for children and adults.	Refused – Insufficient information provided
Parkhead Youth Project	Towards the cost of providing 2 blocks of 6 week climbing courses, that once completed, the young people would receive a Nicas Level 1 certificate.	Awarded £1,641
SP Square CIC Stravaig Creative Arts	Towards the cost to facilitate free weekly drama classes for neurodiverse young people to help promote communication and emotions.	Refused – Due to lack of community engagement
**PEEK	Towards the cost of an outdoor community arts programme that supports young people ages 0-18 and 30 volunteer uniform costs.	Approved £6,134
Pillow Talk Scotland	Towards the cost of providing 3 2-hour sessions for around 15 adults per session on topics relating to relationships, confidence and wellbeing.	Refused – Due to high costs
Baltic Street Adventure Playground	Towards the cost of upgrading the exterior and interior of their on-site Wiki House, to provide a sustainable and welcoming indoor space for children, families and community partners.	Approved £9,750
Tron Theatre	Towards the cost of engagement initiative to diversify audience and build long-term relationships with groups across the city that have	Refused – Applicant requested to come back with a

significant barriers to participation in the arts, the programme will be delivered to 20-25 people. programme of events for the year

*Susan McKeown declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or the decision.

**Maggie MacBean declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or the decision.

Festive Lighting 2025/26 update noted.

4 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), regarding Festive Lighting within the Ward, advising of the central funding of £3,600 available to meet the costs of erecting and maintaining festive lighting and the proposed costs and locations advising

- (1) of the 2024/25 festive displays and switch-on events and asked the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2025/26 programme;
- (2) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-2028 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 the Area Partnership from other funds.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the festive lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2025/26 programme; and
- (b) approved
 - (i) £2,100 for 15 column features at the Barras; and
 - (ii) total additional funding of £15,810, that would be met by the Area Partnership budget.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) – Progress update noted.

5 There was submitted and noted 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.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) - Community Engagement noted etc.

6 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, providing a list of ideas for funding from the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) that have been submitted by community organisations within the ward.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) approved the following 4 ideas to be taken forward for costings,
 - (i) 01 Signage – Dalmarnock Road, Main Street, London Road, Springfield Road, Dunn Street, Clyde Gateway and The Green Road;
 - (ii) 02A Community Orchard – Birkwood Street between Dalmarnock Road and Woddrop Street;
 - (iii) 06A Mural – above Bridgeton train station; and
 - (iv) 03 Rainwater Management – Riverbank Primary School.

Date and time of next meeting noted.

7 The Partnership noted the next meeting would be held on Wednesday, 4th February 2026 at 11:00 hours.