

SAFE GLASGOW PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

By video conference, 19th June 2025.

Safe Glasgow Partnership.

Present: Bailie Paul McCabe (Chair), Councillor Holly Bruce, Councillor Graham Campbell, Councillor Marie Garrity, Councillor William Graham, Bailie Seonad Hoy, Councillor Elaine McSporran, Councillor Davena Rankin and Councillor Catherine Vallis, Glasgow City Council; Darren Lambie, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability; Chief Superintendent Emma Croft, Police Scotland; Group Commander Craig Campbell, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Lynsey Smith, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; and Lesley Gordon, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network.

Apologies: Councillor Jill Pidgeon, Andrew Kenna and Diane Gillies.

Attending: L Sclater (Clerk); R MacLeod and M Smith, Communities Team, Chief Executives Department; Ian McCormick, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Superintendent Ryan McMurdo, Police Scotland and D Hamilton, GCC Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Chairs remarks.

1 Bailie McCabe opened the meeting by expressing his gratitude to previous members Councillor Mooney, Bailie Jenkins and Chief Superintendent Lynn Radcliffe for all of their contributions to the Partnership and welcomed all new members to their first meeting.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

2 The minutes of 13th March 2025 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership update noted.

3 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update on the membership of the Safe Glasgow Partnership, advising that

- (1) Councillor Jill Pidgeon and Councillor Davena Rankin had been appointed as members replacing Bailie Ann Jenkins and Councillor Robert Mooney respectively; and

- (2) Chief Superintendent Emma Croft had been appointed as member for Police Scotland, replacing Chief Superintendent Lynn Ratcliffe.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2024-25 - Quarter 4 performance noted.

4 There was submitted a report by Local Senior Officer Andrew Kenna, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS), providing an overview of the current performance of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service for the period Quarter 4, 2024/25, advising

- (1) that the SFRS Home Fire Safety Visit (HFSV) app had gone live during the Q4 period and when fully established, it would allow SFRS to focus more time and resources towards those most at risk from fire;
- (2) of the progress made in relation to local fire and rescue plan priorities on the prevention and reduction of accidental dwelling fire, deliberate fires, non-domestic fires, unwanted fire alarm signals and road traffic collisions with the year on year change over the past 4 years along with details for each Glasgow City Council ward for the period;
- (3) that 12 non-fatal accidental dwelling fires casualties had been recorded, with tragically one fatality recorded during the Q4 period;
- (4) that the service had assisted 113 individuals in non-fire emergencies which demonstrated the services' wider role in public safety;
- (5) that 454 deliberated fires had been recorded during the Q4 period, with refuse being the most common type of incident and that the service continued to engage with local communities to reduce these figures;
- (6) the service had responded to 533 unwanted fire alarm signals for the period with student accommodations, residential homes and medical facilities being the most frequent sources; and
- (7) that SFRS continued to work with Police Scotland colleagues to ensure a joined-up approach in educating communities as part of the Go Safe Road Safety Partnership.

Thereafter, Group Commander Craig Campbell provided an update on the on-going SFRS Strategic Service Review Programme (SSRP) indicating that all options for change were due to go out to public consultation in June 2025.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) welcomed the update on the forthcoming public consultation of the SFRS SSRP and agreed that once consultation responses had been received, an additional meeting would be arranged to discuss them.

Police Scotland - Local Policing Plan 2023-26 – Quarter 4 performance noted – Request to Officers.

5 There was submitted a report by Chief Superintendent Emma Croft, Police Scotland, providing an overview of the current performance of Police Scotland during the Quarter 4 period from 1st January to 31st March 2025, advising

- (1) of the continued drive forward with its Public Health Approach to policing that involved working closely with partners to ensure that women and girls across the city feel safe and are supported in their communities, with tackling violence against women and girls remaining one of its main priorities;
- (2) that there had been a slight increase in overall violent crimes and detection rates compared to the previous year, with Police Scotland committed to working towards reducing those figures;
- (3) that hate crime detection rates had decreased compared to the previous year, with Police Scotland continuing to work with its partners to encourage reporting all hate crimes;
- (4) the 16 days of action planned for November and December 2025 that would include information sessions set up for Asylum seekers advising them of various aspects of law and how to access local services etc;
- (5) 39 of 45 Secondary schools in the city were covered by Police School Engagement officers who continued to train and provide information to younger people to reduce youth crime;
- (6) of some of the work being undertaken in relation to crime, homicides in the city, events, operations and serious and organised crime; and
- (7) of a detailed breakdown of the complaints against police, violent crime, violence against women and girls, hate crime, community wellbeing and taser deployment, as detailed in the appendices to the report.

Thereafter, Bailie Seonad Hoy advised the Partnership of a recent Glasgow City Council motion in relation to the policing of protests within the city, indicating that she would like this Partnership to ask the public via a questionnaire and consultation process, what their perception/views were of the policing of protests in the city.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the Police Scotland Q4 2024/25 performance report;
- (b) agreed that whilst the Partnership were keen to support Bailie Hoy's request for a public consultation in relation to the policing of protests in the city in principle, further investigation would be required to ascertain whether it was within this Partnership's remit to carry out the consultation process;

- (c) requested officers from the Communities Team look into all options in conjunction with Bailie McCabe and Bailie Hoy and report back to the next meeting with an update; and
- (d) welcomed an invitation from Chief Superintendent Emma Croft for Partnership members to attend Police Scotland's control room when there was next a planned protest in the city to see the police operation in real-time.

Go Safe Glasgow – Presentation noted.

6 The Partnership heard and noted a presentation by G Cairns, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), advising of

- (1) of the Council's Transport Strategy vision of sustainable, inclusive transport by 2030 that prioritised accessibility, efficiency and environmental goals to include the following goals:
 - (a) Road Safety Plan - Reducing collisions, safer streets for all road users through improved infrastructure, education, training, publicity and enforcement - VISION ZERO
 - (b) Liveable Neighbourhoods - 20-minute neighbourhoods, less car dependency, better local services, enhanced community spaces;
 - (c) Net Zero - Carbon neutrality by 2030, reducing emissions, promoting renewable energy, and green transport - Lowering vehicle KM travelled by 30% by 2030;
 - (d) City Centre Plan - Greener, thriving urban core with better transport, jobs, and public spaces; and
 - (e) Active Travel Strategy - Encourages walking, cycling, infrastructure upgrades, and health-focused mobility; and
- (2) the new city-wide mandatory 20mph rollout across the city that would cover all 23 Council wards and was aimed at significantly reducing road casualties and fatalities; and
- (3) planned road safety engineering projects and speed camera installations in the city.

Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership – Update noted.

7 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding an update on the work of the Glasgow Violence Against Women Partnership (GVAWP), highlighting

- (1) that the GVAWP city wide strategic plan had been approved by GVAWP members with additional funding having been received by the Council to appoint a Resource Worker who would support the delivery of the plan;
- (2) that the Scottish Government continued to progress the introduction of a Domestic Abuse & Suicide Review process with statutory guidance also in development that would support the operation of new legislation of how reviews would be conducted; and
- (3) that an audit paper had been produced looking at Glasgow Health and Social Care Partnership's investment in Multi-agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) with further meetings scheduled to look at the funding model surrounding MARAC as service redesign was a priority for the service.

Date of future meeting noted.

8 Thursday, 28th August at 10.00am, in a Committee Room, City Chambers, Glasgow.