

SHETTLESTON AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 17th April 2025, City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Laura Doherty (Chair), Councillor Thomas Kerr and Councillor Jill Pidgeon, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Stephen Gow, Police Scotland; Station Commander Russell McKinlay, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Claire McLachlan, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Paul McHenery, Mount Vernon Community Council; James Reilly, Parkhead Housing Association; and Meabh Bradley, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Gerry Baldwin, Fuse Youth Café and Gail Jackson, Tollcross Community Trust.

Attending: E Miller (Clerk); and I Singh (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 30th January 2025 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow 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 membership of this Partnership, advising Chris Halliday was no longer the representative for Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network, leaving both positions vacant.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

3 There was heard and noted a report by Inspector Stephen Gow, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership

- (1) that officers had been working with the major supermarkets to combat shoplifting with 2 arrests made;
- (2) that 2 e-bike days of action had been held with bikes seized and anti-social behaviour orders issued, including charges of being under the influence of drink and drugs;
- (3) of the Easter Action Plan that resulted in no marked increase in youth disorder;

- (4) of park activities and information that could be found on Police Scotland's Facebook page; and
- (5) of the water safety campaigns to highlight to youths the dangers of rivers and other areas, in particular during the summer months.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund update noted etc.

4 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

- (1) of the background to the £1m NIIF programme;
- (2) that in December 2024, a small team of staff were tasked with reviewing the current process for NIIF and the backlog of requests already received, as well as devising clear guidance and processes for its management going forward;
- (3) that a review of information held within Area Partnership minutes, NRS services and across council departments had been carried out to allow a full breakdown of current committed spend, new proposals still to be costed and spend to date to be collated;
- (4) that some proposals previously discussed at Partnership meetings had been included in the report but had yet to be progressed to NRS for estimated costs and requested that the Partnership reviewed the information and confirmed that projects had been approved and should now be referred to NRS;
- (5) of the criteria for the fund, as detailed in appendix 1 to the report, and that all NIIF proposals must be approved at an Area Partnership meeting before being passed to NRS to be costed;
- (6) that NRS Neighbourhood Liaison Managers would attend each meeting to present the report produced by NRS and record all approved new proposals on an agreed template to be used internally by NRS;
- (7) that general enquiries but not proposals could be emailed to the NIIF mailbox at NIIFEnquiries@glasgow.gov.uk; and
- (8) of the NIIF proposals to date, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) agreed the following with regard to proposals,
 - (i) 19-001, project to be dealt with by NRS under business as usual (BAU);

- (ii) 19-005, project to be removed as it would no longer be considered by the Partnership;
- (iii) 19-002 and 19-003, additional information to be provided to NRS to allow the projects to be costed before the next meeting;
- (iv) 19-004, the Partnership would be happy to close this project on the understanding that NRS continued to monitor the area under business as usual (BAU); and
- (v) 19-006, the resurfacing work should be completed by NRS under BAU.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) – Community engagement update noted etc – Request to Councillor Doherty.

5 With reference to the minutes of 30th January 2025 noting an update regarding the next stages for community engagement on the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) and agreeing various action, there was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance providing a further update regarding the matter, advising

- (1) that the purpose of the report was to bring ideas for spending the NIIF that had been generated by communities to the Partnership for consideration;
- (2) that those ideas that the Partnership wished to go forward to the next stage would be assessed and costed by Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) and brought to a future meeting when the Partnership would be asked to allocate funding;
- (3) of the next stages of the NIIF, as detailed in the report;
- (4) that community representatives had been gathering ideas for costing using a template based on the detail that NRS required and that when read alongside the previous agenda item on a progress update on the NIIF, the Partnership was able to see these ideas alongside any ideas that had already been costed, or costed and approved;
- (5) of all the ideas that had been gathered so far for the Shettleston ward, as detailed in the appendix to the report, which had come from local community councils, other community organisations, Local Place Plans and Liveable Neighbourhoods;
- (6) that if the ideas list was fairly short and covered the ward well, the Partnership could agree to submit those ideas for costing, however, if the list was quite lengthy and the Partnership was unable to shortlist it, it could be followed up with an informal meeting to prioritise ideas to get the list to a manageable size in advance of the next Partnership meeting; and

- (7) that the Partnership also needed to consider how they intended to make decisions about what to fund and choose one of the options, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) agreed that the following project ideas should go forward to the next stage to be assessed and costed by NRS, as detailed in the report,
 - (i) Ref No 1, the basketball court between Powfoot and Beattock Street;
 - (ii) Ref No 2, the walkway/footpath at Whiterose;
 - (iii) Ref No 3, Beardmore Park regeneration, taking into consideration funding from the Scottish Government towards playparks when known;
 - (iv) Ref No 5, a kitchen in the Glasshouse, Tollcross Park, with Shettleston Housing Association to be approached regarding a share of the costs;
 - (v) Ref No 6, upgrade work and refurbishment of Children's Farm, Tollcross Park;
 - (vi) Ref No 7, upgrade work at the playpark on Dowanfield Street, taking into consideration funding from the Scottish Government towards playparks when known;
 - (vii) Ref No 11, upgrade of the duck pond and mural at the Children's Farm, Tollcross Park;
 - (viii) Ref No 14, installation of 4 benches and other work at Tollcross Park burn;
 - (ix) Ref No 16, upgrade of Shettleston Community Centre;
 - (x) Ref No 17, a "pocket park" on the site of the former Shettleston Halls;
 - (xi) Ref No 18(b), improvement to pedestrian/cycle access from Shettleston Railway Station to Shettleston Road;
 - (xii) Ref No 24, work on the paths linking Wester Road to Criffell Road with Councillor Doherty to contact Kevin McCormick, NRS regarding a project to develop a path through Mount Vernon; and
 - (xiii) Ref No 26, upgrade of Mount Vernon playpark, taking into consideration funding from the Scottish Government towards playparks when known;

- (c) agreed to include the following projects for costing to the next meeting, not detailed in the report,
 - (i) benches at the Blackadder Memorial Gardens, London Road; and
 - (ii) additional lighting at Sandyhills Park; and
- (d) that, if required, an additional meeting to discuss solely NIIF proposals, once costings had been confirmed, could be arranged to agree which projects should be taken forward for approval at the next Partnership meeting.

Area Budget 2024/2025 - Final monitoring statement noted.

6 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the Area Budget for 2024/2025, providing a final monitoring statement in relation to projects previously funded, confirming that £72,327 had been allocated to various projects in the Shettleston Ward.

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

7 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 Shettleston Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £72,339 and that £2,156 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £70,183; 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>
Wellshot Primary School	Towards the cost of taking 40 P7 leavers on an activity day on 2nd June 2025 to Pinkerton Watersports and Loading Bay Skate Park	Awarded £2,000

Mount Vernon Community Hall	Towards the cost of adapting the current meeting room into a multifunctional space that could be used by the community by installing a small basic kitchen area with a tap and washing facilities, fridge and storage cupboards	Awarded £7,234
Parkhead Housing Association	Towards the cost of a community summer fun day in Parkhead on a day to be confirmed during either July or August 2025, from 12pm to 4pm	Awarded £2,500
Playbusters	Towards the cost of operating a 30-week street play programme, from 5th May to 1st September 2025, for 28 children and young people operating from Beardmore Park, Crail Street Gardens, Powfoot and Beattock Street Greenspaces	Awarded £7,000
Shettleston Keenagers	Towards the cost of purchasing various items of equipment	Awarded £1,279
The Halliday Foundation	Towards the cost of establishing a community laundry for people struggling with homelessness, those in temporary accommodation and families struggling with rising energy costs	Awarded £3,976