

SOUTHSIDE CENTRAL AREA PARTNERSHIP

Minutes of meeting held on 29th April 2025, City Chambers, Glasgow.

- Present:** Councillor Alexander Belic (Chair), Councillor Elaine Gallagher, Councillor Mhairi Hunter and Bailie Soryia Siddique, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Graeme Hogg, Police Scotland; Alison McKenna-Breen, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Andrew Carberry, Crosshill/Govanhill Community Council; Tim Porter, Hutchesontown Community Council; Michael Fullerton, New Gorbals Housing Association; and Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.
- Apologies:** Tracey Boyle, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Station Commander Douglas Millar, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; and Jess Steele, South East Integration Network.
- Attending:** E Miller (Clerk); and A Abbot (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

- 1** The minutes of 18th February 2025 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership 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 that

- (1) following a Council By-election, Councillor Mhairi Hunter had been elected to this Partnership;
- (2) Michael Fullerton had been nominated as the representative for New Gorbals Housing Association; and
- (3) Callum Morris was no longer the substitute representative for Oatlands Community Council, leaving this position vacant.

Police Scotland ward update noted.

- 3** There was heard a report by Inspector Graeme Hogg, Police Scotland advising the Partnership

- (1) that there had been no major issues with youth disorder over the Easter holidays;

- (2) of the ongoing work at Bridge Street and Calton Place with plain clothed officers in the area to combat anti-social behaviour and encouraged all incidents to be reported to allow them to be officially recorded;
- (3) that parking issues continued to be a problem with days of action carried out and offenders reported;
- (4) of the action taken to target speeding offenders; and
- (5) of the planned days of action for e-bikes and road safety for cyclists.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Inspector Hogg for the update and all the work carried out by Police Scotland within the ward.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service – Consideration continued.

4 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of an update report by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service on ward matters to a future meeting of this Partnership.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership ward update noted.

5 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP) providing an update regarding work being undertaken by GCHSCP in the South area of the city, as detailed in the report.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) update noted etc.

6 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; and
- (b) agreed the projects that should be taken forward and costed by NRS before the next meeting as follows:
 - (i) (Ref 08-007), (Ref 08-019) to include additional requests for CCTV locations, (Ref 08-020), (Ref 08-012) with information to be confirmed on the lifespan of columns, (Ref 08-013) with a site visit to be carried out to clarify full road markings area, (Ref 08-017) with lighting around the periphery of the park, (Ref 08-018) CCTV for Langside Hall only;
 - (ii) (Ref 08-009, 010, 011, 014 and 015) to be actioned under business as usual;
 - (iii) (Ref 08-006), duplicate project, to be removed; and
 - (v) (Ref 08-008), 3 locations confirmed.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) – Community engagement update noted etc.

7 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance providing a list of ideas for funding from the NIIF that had been submitted by community organisations in the ward and options for taking those forward, advising

- (1) 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;

- (2) of the next stages of the NIIF, as detailed in the report;
- (3) 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;
- (4) of all the ideas that had been gathered so far for the Southside Central 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;
- (5) 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
- (6) 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; and
- (b) agreed
 - (i) projects that should go forward to the next stage to be assessed and costed by NRS, as detailed in the report, with Balvicar Square, to include additional costs for railings at Pollokshaws Road; and
 - (ii) an additional project for lighting at the MUGA, Riverside area.

Area Budget 2024/2025 - Final monitoring statement noted.

8 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 £85,842.35 had been allocated to various projects in the Southside Central Ward, representing a 100% spend.

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

9 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 Southside Central Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £85,842 and that £4,400.50 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £81,441.50 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) the applications dealt with under delegated functions, as detailed in the report; and
- (c) 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>
Govanhill Community Development Trust	Towards the costs of creating the Govanhill Directory in Spring 2025	Awarded £3,274
The Wee Retreat	Towards the costs of purchasing equipment for the gardening club	Awarded £2,613
Annette Street Primary	Towards the costs of purchasing library furniture and litter picking equipment	Awarded £1,200
*Citizens Kitchen Equipment	Towards the costs of purchasing kitchen equipment to facilitate the continuation of the Community Collective shared meals initiative	Awarded £3,575.50 with the organisation to seek match funding or scale down costs
Gorbals Youth Cafe	Towards the costs of replacement furniture and equipment for Youth Café	Awarded £4,620
Glasgow Zine Library	Towards the costs of purchasing projector and associated equipment	Awarded £650
Friends of Southern Necropolis	Towards the costs of purchasing litter picking and gardening	Awarded £1,998

	equipment in order to maintain the grounds of the Southern Necropolis	
Given it Laldie	Towards the costs of providing equipment to facilitate ongoing free music and music related skills lessons.	Awarded £7,282
Fellowship Connection	Towards the costs of an outing on Wednesday 3rd September to Hays Garden Centre in Symington and for refreshments in Troon for The Fellowship Connection Group	Awarded £1,348
Halo Arts	Towards the costs of presenting a theatre production and workshops aimed at P6 and P7 pupils	Awarded £2,332
The Ferret	Towards the costs of supporting 6 free and fully accessible Community Newsroom events	Awarded £4,960
Saraha Scotland	Towards the costs of a person led workshops designed for people aged 18 and over from a Black and Minority Ethnic background residing in the Southwest and Southeast of Glasgow whose physical and mental health had been impinged by their social and economic circumstances.	Awarded £4,275
Scotsom SCIO OAP Club	Towards the costs of a 35-week pilot programme to support an older adult physical activity club aimed at the BAME (mainly Somali) community	Awarded £6,650
Friends of Queens Park	Towards the costs of new plants and signage for the rose garden, new tools, purchasing banners, chair and gazebo hire for educational events, fees for visiting bird watchers/poets etc to facilitate community events	Awarded £1,122

SEAL	Towards the costs of a 20 week Empowering Women's Wellness Programme	Awarded £2,364
Inhouse CIC	Towards the costs of the annual programme of free community events held at Queens Park Arena during the summer (3rd July – 3rd August 2025)	Awarded £6,964
Glasgow Life	Towards the costs of supporting Southside Stars which was a joint programme with the Pearce Institute to present a week long celebration of young people's talent in dance, arts, drama and music	Awarded £500
The Hidden Gardens	Towards the costs of a community garden event in June 2025 at the Hidden Gardens as part of the Scottish Refugee Festival	Awarded £1,083
Youth Community Support Agency	Towards the costs of 2 Fireworks Diversion events on the 5 November 2025 in Glendale Primary School and Govanhill Square Park targeting young people aged 11- 16	Awarded £3,898 subject to funding release pending information on Scottish Government funding for Fireworks Control Zones
**Govanhill Community Development Trust	Towards the costs of carrying out a refurbishment of the Govanhill Workspace reception area	Awarded £4,997
Govanhill Baths Community Trust	Towards the costs of the Govanhill Festival and Carnival	Awarded £5,000
St Francis Primary School	Towards the costs to facilitate 4x1 hour cooking sessions scheduled between 3:10pm and 4:10pm that would allow 7 families to take part in sessions planned and delivered by SEAL	Awarded £1,313
The Occasional Cabaret	Towards the costs to help facilitate group sessions and rehearsals, starting in May 2025,	Awarded £2,870

for a group of 18 learning
disabled adults in order to
produce a full company
production of Charles Dickens 'A
Christmas Carol'

*Councillor Gallagher declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

**Councillor Hunter declared an interest in this application and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.