

MARYHILL AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 24th April 2026, Shakespeare Street Youth Club.

Present: Councillor Abdul Bostani (Chair), Bailie Marie Garrity and Councillor Franny Scally, Glasgow City Council; Chief Inspector Mhairi Crawford, Police Scotland; Station Commander James Sullivan, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Sharon Bower, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Stephanie Thomson, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Liane Coia, Maryhill Integration Network; Nick Durie, Central Maryhill Community Council; and Simon Baxter, Summerston Community Environment Group.

Apologies: Sharon Mather, North Maryhill Acre and Summerston; Claire Drane, Maryhill Women's Centre; and Angela Kelly, Glasgow North West Citizens Advice Bureau.

Attending: N Palmer (Clerk); I Singh and P Boyce (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and R MacPhail and L Halbert (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 13th February 2026 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 since the last meeting, no changes have been made to the membership

Police Scotland – Ward update noted etc.

3 There was heard and noted a report by Chief Inspector Mhairi Crawford, Police Scotland regarding the priorities within the ward, advising that

- (1) the focus for community policing team remained on engagement and building connections within the ward to strengthen relationships and build on a collaborative approach;
- (2) officers continued to work in partnership with Third Sector Organisations, local schools and nurseries to educate young people;
- (3) bike marking events had started at Kelvin Walkway, helping reduce bicycle theft by allowing officers to mark and identify bikes;

- (4) 'Coffee with a Cop' had taken place at Maryhill Burgh Halls on 24th April 2026 at 1700 hours to allow residents to engage with local officers;
- (5) a direct report mechanism had been set up due to under reporting of shop lifting within the ward which had been effective;
- (6) additional funding had been approved for Police Scotland to address shoplifting and help ensure that retail workers and shoppers feel safe;
- (7) off-road vehicles remained a concern, with Police Scotland continuing to monitor the issue and seize bikes where necessary;
- (8) road policing had continued across the ward, with speed checks carried out on Queen Margaret Drive, where vehicles were seized for lacking insurance; and
- (9) anti-social behaviour over the Easter break had decreased, and officers continued patrolling local parks and this would carry on into the summer period.

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Chief Inspector Crawford for the update and all the hard work taking place within the ward.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted etc – Request to Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

4 There was heard and noted a report by Station Commander James Sullivan, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 4, advising the Partnership

- (1) of the 61 incidents within the ward, 18 were fires, 12 accidental fires, 6 deliberate fires and 28 false alarms.
- (2) that there had been 304 Home Fire Safety Visits of which 30 were carried out within the ward and 4 Fire safety audits completed in the North West Area;
- (4) that the PAFS programme was set to be rolled out within the Maryhill area however due to unforeseen circumstances this had been postponed.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) thanked Station Commander Sullivan for the update and the work carried out by the fire service within the ward; and
- (c) requested that Scottish Fire and Rescue Service work in partnership with Police Scotland and bring to the next meeting data on water-related fatalities,

as many were concerned with summer approaching and the growing concerns around children jumping into open water without understanding the potential dangers and consequences.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership – Update noted – Request to Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

5 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP), advising of an update on health improvement within the North West of the city from January to March 2026, as detailed in the report.

After consideration the partnership

- (1) noted the report and thanked Stephanie Thomson for the update;
- (2) raised questions which were answered by Stephanie; and
- (3) requested an update from Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership regarding the breast screening service that was previously available in local shops, allowing women to drop in for preventative checks, and whether this service had plans to be reinstated.

Festive Lighting 2026/27 update noted etc – Request to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability - Delegated Authorities to the Chair.

6 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, 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 2026/27 festive displays and switch-on events and requested that the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2026/27 programme, as detailed in the report;
- (2) NRS Festive Team had been informed the current Horticultural Contract, which included the supply of Christmas Trees, had come to an end. Glasgow City Councils Procurement would establish a new framework to invite suppliers to tender, and as such this may now impact the cost of Christmas Trees by 15% to 20%;
- (3) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-2028 festive lighting programme following the procurement exercise carried out to deliver the programme; and
- (4) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be met by Maryhill Area Partnership from the area budget.

After consideration, the Partnership noted

- (a) the lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2026/27 programme;
- (b) approved additional funding of £2,260 in principle pending further information at the next meeting;
- (c) agreed
 - (i) delegated authority to the Chair should further funding decisions be required for Festive Lighting; and
 - (ii) a provisional switch on event was agreed for the first week of December 2026.
- (d) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability provide an update on whether it would be possible to secure external funding from local businesses to support festive lighting within the ward.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund – Progress update noted etc – Request to the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

7 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 including proposals submitted for estimate and a summary of committed spend and actual spend for the ward, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted the report;
- (2) agreed to approve projects in respect of Ref (15-012) £52,000 – improvement work to pedestrian path including resurfacing and widening cycle lane and Ref (15-016) £15,000 – resurfacing of path; and
- (3) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability work in partnership with Central Maryhill Community Council representative to identify ideas for estimates.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund - Community Engagement update noted.

8 There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, providing a list of ideas for funding from the Neighbourhood

Infrastructure Improvement Fund that had been submitted by community organisations within the ward.

After consideration, the Partnership agreed to submit a memorial bench next to the memorial stone at the ground beside 60 Glenfinnan Road for costing.

Area Budget 2026/27 – Applications for funding dealt with etc.

9 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 12th March 2026, when the committee approved the 2026/27 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 2026/27;
- (2) that the Maryhill Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2026/27 was £68,817 and that £19,987 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £48,830
- (3) that as of April 2026, a new online application form would be introduced; and
- (4) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2026/27.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
 - (i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2026/27; and
 - (ii) the 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>
Queens Cross Community Foundation	Towards the costs of the Queen's Cross Gala Day on 15th August 2026 at Firhill Complex	Awarded £1,678
Halo Arts – Maryhill Youth Theatre	Towards the cost of delivering a new free weekly drama group for young people aged 6-16 at the Maryhill Burgh Halls on Monday evenings 5:30-7pm	Awarded £2,695 with the condition that the organisation present at a future meeting on how the funds were used

Wyndford Gardening Group – Equipment	Towards the cost to purchase tools, timber, soil, fruit trees and plants to create 4-6 raised beds and new growing spaces	Awarded £3,714
Maryhill Hub Steering Group - Tea Dance	Towards the cost to support monthly Friday tea dances from May 2026 to March 2027 for older residents providing regular social activity and reduce isolation	Awarded £6,800
Immaculate Conception Tuesday Group - Activities & Events	Towards the cost to support a programme of outings and events for members over the coming months	Awarded £3,716
Glasgow Tool Library	Towards the cost to support a 6-month pilot Repair Club programme designed to engage local 18-25 year olds to develop practical skills and improve their employability	Awarded £1,520
North United Communities Project Title - Opera Event at Stockingfield Bridge	Towards the cost to support the delivery of the annual Scottish Pop-Up Opera Event at the new Stockingfield Bridge on Saturday 4th of July 2026	Awarded £1,885
Achieve More Scotland Project Title – Parent Learning Opportunities	Towards the cost to support the delivery of First Aid and Food Hygiene Training to parents from the Maryhill Ward while helping English as Additional Language (EAL) families increase their confidence, develop practical skills and improve their employability	Awarded £5,700 with the condition that the organisation provide a list of activities they would undertake
Cadder Community Festival Group	Towards the cost to support the delivery of the Cadder Gala Day event on Saturday 22nd August 2026	Awarded £2,600