

DRUMCHAPEL/ANNIESLAND AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 29th April 2026, Netherton Community Centre.

Present: Bailie Anne McTaggart (Chair), and Councillor Davena Rankin, Glasgow City Council; Sergeant Fahad Bashir, Police Scotland; Commander Kenneth MacSwan, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Alex Durie, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Douglas Taylor, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network, Ellen Wright, High Knightswood and Anniesland Community Council; Elspeth Kerr, Drumchapel Community Council; Paul Maher, Blairdardie and Old Drumchapel Community Council; and Ross MacPhail, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apologies: Councillor Fyeza Ikhlaiq, Glasgow City Council; and Inspector Siobhan Paterson; Police Scotland.

Attending: N Palmer (Clerk); S Johnstone (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and D Plizga, K McCormick, R Strachan and J Pickering (for Executive Director for Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

- 1** The minutes of 18th February 2026 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 the membership of this Partnership, advising that

- (1) Andy Lynch was no longer the substitute representative for Drumchapel Community Council, leaving this position vacant; and
- (2) Rachel Muir was no longer the substitute representative for Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network, leaving this position vacant.

Police Scotland – Ward update noted etc.

3 There was heard a report by Sergeant Fahad Bashir, Police Scotland regarding the priorities within the Ward, advising that

- (1) body-worn video cameras were introduced on 23rd March 2026 and had performed effectively, proving to be a valuable tool for officers;

- (2) the number of incidents and crime within the Ward had decreased;
- (3) officers had continued to attend Community Council meetings, with no significant issues being reported;
- (4) the Retail Crime Taskforce officers worked closely with colleagues to tackle theft within the ward which had predominantly been shoplifting from commercial premises and supermarkets with no significant trend changes with several people being detected or reported and released with specific bail conditions and Officers continued to work closely with colleagues in the divisional retail crime task force to identify repeat locations and offenders to ensure maximising opportunities to carry out arrests;
- (5) there had been no change in recorded housebreakings for the area for the same reporting period from last year;
- (6) officers had continued to target anti-social behaviour within the ward and had held several successful days of actions where e-bikes and off-road bikes were seized, officers continued to urge residents to report these types of incidents and patrol the specific areas;
- (7) there had been an increase in calls of youth disorder at McDonalds on Great Western Road and had identified some individuals and took them home to parents. Officers continued to engage with some youth provision services to assist in engagement;
- (8) the Scottish Violence Partnership North East had been established and was being rolled out within the ward to tackle youth violence, on 12th March 2026, 30 attendees met at Scotstoun, with meetings scheduled to take place fortnightly;
- (9) officers had supported several road traffic initiatives by using speed detection equipment, high-visibility patrols for anti-social behaviour, and plain-clothed deployments to tackle drug-related activity; and
- (10) officers supported International Women's Day, and future engagement will focus on continuing to monitor anti-social behaviour and e-bikes as the summer approaches.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report and thanked Police Scotland for all their hard work being carried out within the Ward; and
- (b) raised questions which were answered by Sergeant Bashir.

Variation in order of business noted.

- 4** The Partnership agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

Living Well Community Referral – Presentation noted etc.

5 There was heard and noted a presentation by Garry Watt, Glasgow Life, regarding the Living Well Community Referral (LWCR) advising that

- (1) the community-based wellbeing referral programme supported people who experienced barriers to reconnect with their communities and take part in opportunities that improved health and wellbeing;
- (2) the pilot project operated in Calton and Shettleston areas and following an independent evaluation this had now expanded to 10 wards which included Drumchapel/Anniesland;
- (3) LWCR was a free service open to anyone over 18, who required support reconnecting to their community; and
- (4) referrals were welcome online, by phone or in-person.

After consideration, the Partnership,

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) raised questions which were answered by Gary Watt, Glasgow Life.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Ward update noted etc.

6 There was submitted and noted a report by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, advising the Partnership of the incidents that had taken place in the Ward over the last quarter, advising

- (1) that there had been 106 incidents within the ward with 52 total fires, 16 accidental dwelling fires, 36 deliberate fires, 45 unwanted fire alarm signals, 14 road traffic collisions and 40 home fire safety visits carried out;
- (2) of the new tri service first Police, Ambulance and Fire Service initiative (PAFS) aimed at youth engagement which had been held in the Calton, Easterhouse and Pollok fire stations to experience emergency services and would be rolled out to Maryhill soon;
- (3) that the Union Street fire is currently subject to a formal investigation, and further information will be provided once it had concluded; and
- (4) that information regarding the service delivery review had been due in January 2026, however this was still outstanding and possibly be available in June 2026 following the elections.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) highlighted that Knightswood fire station had an open day on the 23rd of May 2026 between 10:00 and 16:00 hours for all to attend.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership update noted – Request to the Chief Officer of Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.

7 There was submitted 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 Alex Durie for the update; and
- (2) requested that the Chief Officer of Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership engage with Blairdardie and Old Drumchapel Community Council via email regarding updates within the ward.

Area Budget 2025/26 - Final monitoring statement noted.

8 There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the Area Budget for 2025/26, providing a final monitoring statement in relation to projects previously funded, confirming that £84,175 had been allocated to various projects in the Drumchapel/Anniesland Ward, representing a 100% spend, however, one amendment was made, and Yoker Resource Centre returned £350 which was a financial loss to the Area Partnership.

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

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 Drumchapel/Anniesland Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2026/27 was £88,059 and that £5,352 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £82,707;
- (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 2 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>
G15 Thriving Places – Pensioners Group	Towards the costs of supporting the creation of a Seniors Group in the area	Refused due to further information being required from the organisation regarding a breakdown of costs
G15 Thriving Places – Climate Justice Event	Towards the cost to run Climate Justice Workshops in the 5 primary schools within Drumchapel and organise litter picks and raise awareness of the Climate Justice within the ward	Awarded £3,250
Abercorn Secondary School – Residential Trip	Towards the cost of a residential trip to Italy for pupils	Awarded £818
Barnardo's – Blairdardie Transition Project	Towards the cost of supporting children during primary school transitions (new P1 and P7 pupils)	Awarded £5,175
Blairdardie Parent Council – Ride & Thrive	Towards the cost to purchase a set of bikes and waterproof coats for pupils	Awarded £2,275
Weekday WOW Factor – WOW Drumchapel	Towards the cost to run the groups minibus adventures for vulnerable adults with limited mobility	Continued for consideration to the next meeting

*High Knightswood and Anniesland Community Council	Towards the cost to run community run events throughout 2026/27	Awarded £7,500
Men Matter Scotland – Community Street Outreach & Men’s Wellbeing (Drumchapel)	Towards the cost to deliver a targeted Street Outreach and Early Intervention Programme within Drumchapel	Awarded £8,000 on the condition that the match funding is used to cover the lead group worker cost
Halo Arts – Drumchapel Summer Arts	Towards the cost to run a free summer arts youth programme	Refused due to a lack of clarity on the number of participants involved from Ward 14, an overrepresentation from a single school, concerns that insurance and publicity costs were excessive and that there was limited engagement within the ward

*Ellen Wright declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Festive Lighting Programme 2026/27 – Consideration continued.

10 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of an update report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding Festive Lighting to a future meeting of this partnership.

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

11 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; and
- (2) agreed to remove project in respect of Ref (14-007) – installation of flashing 20 plenty signs on Cowdenhill Road; and
- (3) requested the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability
 - (a) provide a breakdown of costs for project Ref (14-005) – refurbishment of the Tall Temple Shafton;
 - (b) provide further information on Ref (14-018) – 4 secure benches to provide resting areas along Linkwood Drive due to steep hill; and
 - (c) follow up on a site visit in respect of Ref (14-023) which was scheduled to take place on 13th of April but has not been carried out yet for the installation of redeployable CCTV at Knightswood Early Years located within St Ninian's Primary School.

Local Parks and Open Spaces Improvement Fund update noted etc.

12 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability, regarding the Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund providing an update on projects allocated within the ward for years 2021/22 and 2022/23, as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (1) noted the report; and
- (2) agreed Officers would engage directly with High Knightswood and Anniesland Community Council regarding the questions they had in relation to the developer contributions within the ward.

Drumchapel Town Centre Development – Consideration continued.

13 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of an update report by Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding Drumchapel Town Centre Development to a future meeting of this partnership.