



Glasgow City Council
City Administration Committee

Item 8

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**Report by Councillor Ruairi Kelly, City Convener for Housing,
Development, Built Heritage and Land Use**

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**PRIDE IN PLACE IMPACT FUND AND PRIDE IN PLACE PROGRAMME
FUNDING: APPROVAL**

Purpose of Report:

- To provide overview of Pride In Place Impact Fund and approve programme
- To provide a progress update on the Pride in Place Programme set up and approve use of funding

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the Committee:

1. note the contents of the report;
2. approve the grant programme for the Pride in Place Impact Fund
3. approve use of Pride in Place Programme set up funding as set out in paragraph 4.6 of this report

Ward No(s):

Citywide: ✓

Local member(s) advised: Yes No consulted: Yes No

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The [Pride in Place Impact Fund](#) (PiPIF) is a £1.5m city-wide, capital grant programme and is one strand of the Local Growth Fund as reported to [Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee on 27th January 2026](#). PiPIF is to be delivered by local authorities targeting areas 'in need' with funding to be committed by end of March 2027 and spent by end of March 2028.
- 1.2 PiPIF has a range of [interventions](#) that can be supported with a focus on community, public spaces and town centre revitalization. In seeking to create as wide benefit and best value as possible for this funding this paper outlines a deliverable programme of grants and interventions in line with both Pride in Place and Glasgow City Council objectives.
- 1.3 This programme runs alongside the Pride in Place Programme which will deliver up to £20 million of funding to two areas of the city over 10 years.

2. PIPIF GRANT PROGRAMME

- 2.1 It is recommended that there are 3 main components to the PiPIF programme which are to be delivered either directly by the Council in collaboration with local communities or by way of a grant awards. This will build on existing [Town Centre and Place Fund Programmes](#) run by the Council which have funded a wide range of projects ranging from community-led projects to works to public spaces and buildings. The three main components of the programme are:
 - 1) [Liveable Neighbourhoods](#) (Connecting Glasgow) – Possil Town Centre: Placemaking works complementing Liveable Neighbourhoods Active Travel project being undertaken in Possil town centre are proposed. This will encompass improvements to public realm -including traffic calming measures, pocket spaces to side streets, and lighting improvements. An allowance of £400,000 is made to this element with works delivered directly by the Council.
 - 2) [People Make Glasgow Communities](#): Building on the community-led PMGC programme and previous years' grant funding through the Place Fund, which sought to make Council-owned capital assets ready for community use. It is proposed that funding is made available either to local community bodies to carry out works or to the Council acting on behalf of identified community organisations. It is recommended that up to £450,000 is allocated to this element.
 - 3) Community – led capital projects: There are two main elements proposed under this scheme which are both subject of open grants call.
 - i. Projects which are aimed at developing a sustainable and robust food system to provide healthy and locally sourced food in the city. This ranges from locally-led community growing projects to development of

infrastructure for food distribution focusing on town centres and areas identified as food deserts.

- ii. In addition to this, there will be a separate open grants call for environmental projects in collaboration with Local Housing Associations and with a focus on Transformational Regeneration Projects. It is recommended that up to £600,000 is made to this component

An additional allowance of up to £50,000 is allocated to cover any required legal and other technical costs as incurred by the Council.

2.2 NRS intends to open a call-out for potential projects, as soon as possible after this Committee. Guidance on the process and an application form will be sent to an extensive circulation list of Council officers, partners, and regeneration agencies, in a similar process to previous Scottish Government Place Based Investment Program (PBIP) call outs. Submissions are to be made to a designated email address by 3rd July 2026. These will then be assessed by a panel of senior officers representing various NRS services (Planning, Housing and Regeneration; Property and Consultancy Services) and Economic Development with grant awards subject to City Administration Committee approval if required.

2.3 Projects will be assessed on key criteria with scoring aligned to:

- outputs and outcomes;
- specific regeneration outcomes (physical, social, economic);
- community involvement and engagement;
- SIMD data;
- sustainability and contribution to carbon net zero
- contribution to equalities;
- viability, deliverability and management capacity;
- ability to deliver outputs and outcomes within the programme timescales;
- risk management;
- value for money

3. DELIVERY AND FINANCIAL MONITORING ARRANGEMENTS

3.1 NRS will enter into the standard legal agreements with third party grant recipients. These will specify project outcomes and timescales, grant claim processes, reporting and monitoring requirements, and, where appropriate, clawback and subsidy control clauses if applicable.

3.2 Governance of funding awards and project delivery will be carried out by senior officers within NRS relevant projects will be reported to GCC's Capital Board.

3.3 As with all other UK Government funded programmes within the city, progress with the delivery of the fund will be regularly scrutinised by the Council's UK

Funds Governance Group. Any requirements will be passed down to successful projects.

- 3.4 A paper on project delivery and outcomes will be presented to Economy, Housing, Transport and Regeneration City Policy Committee in due course

4. PRIDE IN PLACE STATUS UPDATE AND FUNDING

- 4.1 In addition to the PPIF as outlined above the UK Government has launched the Pride in Place Programme (PiPP), as another strand of the Local Growth Fund.
- 4.2 This programme will deliver up to £20 million of funding over the next decade into areas that have been described as ‘doubly disadvantaged’ by both the highest deprivation levels and weakest social infrastructure, focused on neighbourhoods of circa 10,000 population.
- 4.3 The UK Government has confirmed that Glasgow has been selected for two awards for two neighbourhoods, Castlemilk and Springburn/Sighthill.
- 4.4 Neighbourhood Boards are to be appointed in each area, in partnership with the local authority, to deliver the strategic objectives of the programme. The Government expects that they should bring together residents, local businesses, grassroots campaigners, workplace representatives, faith, the local MP and community leaders. Involving their community, the Board will be asked to create a vision for the future of their area and set out a pathway to deliver that over the course of the 10-year programme, considering opportunities to attract and combine new and existing private, public, and philanthropic funding streams.
- 4.5 Each Neighbourhood Board will be led by an independent chair, appointed by the local authority following consultation with the local MP. The chair should act as a champion for the place and provide leadership for the board, ensuring it is community-led and embedded within the local area. Neighbourhood Boards must include the relevant local MP and at least one ward councillor, and it is expected these will be up and running by 17 July. Established governance processes used by the Chief Executive’s Department to appoint place-based representatives and groups are being used to make appointments.
- 4.6 £150,000 of revenue funding for both areas respectively has been received by the Council to cover the set up of the board, engage with residents, promotion and set up costs by the Council and the MPs as appropriate. This will also assist with council resource allocate to these programmes. Processes appropriate under the Scheme of Delegation – for example invoice approval - will be put in place to approve any appropriate spend by MPs. Future revenue resourcing allocations and capital projects agreed by the Neighbourhood Board with the council will be delivered and/or procured by the council. Committee approval will be sought for the associated spend in line with governance processes put in place for established programmes such as the council’s Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund.

5 Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications:

<i>Financial:</i>	Glasgow City Council has been awarded £1,500,000 of Pride In Place Impact Fund monies from UK Government. In addition GCC has been awarded £300,000 for the set up of the Pride in Place Programme Neighbourhood Boards
<i>Legal:</i>	GCC Legal Services will conduct due diligence on the process to provide support where required.
<i>Personnel:</i>	Personnel resources required to assist in the delivery of the overall programme will be supported through existing project resources.
<i>Procurement:</i>	No specific procurement matters.

Council Strategic Plan: The following Strategic Plan outcomes are supported:

Grand Challenge 1 – Reduce Poverty and inequality in our communities.

Mission 3: Improve the health and wellbeing of our local communities and Mission 4: Support Glasgow to be a city that is active and culturally vibrant.

Grand Challenge 2 – Increase opportunity and prosperity for all our citizens.

Mission 1: Support Glasgow residents into sustainable and fair work.

Mission 2: Support the growth of an innovative, resilient and net zero carbon economy.

Grand Challenge 3 – Fight the climate emergency in a just transition to a net zero Glasgow.

Mission 2: Become a net zero carbon city by 2030.

Grand Challenge 4 – Enable staff to deliver essential services in a sustainable, innovative and efficient way for our communities.

Mission1: Create safe, clean and thriving neighbourhoods.

Equality and Socio-Economic Impacts:

Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2025-29? Please specify.

Yes, through engagement across social and economic sectors

What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report?

The programme is expected to generate a positive equality impact, strengthening access to employment, social, cultural and sporting opportunities.

Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio-economic disadvantage.

Funding is targeted at areas of socio-economic disadvantage and will improve the physical environment, address social issues, and increase economic activity

Climate Impacts:

Does the proposal support any Climate Plan actions? Please specify:

Projects will support the following Climate Plan Themes:

Theme 2: Just and Inclusive Place.
Theme 3: Well Connected and Thriving City
Theme 4: Health and Wellbeing.

What are the potential climate impacts as a result of this proposal?

Capital investment proposals are likely to have a beneficial impact on climate as a result of improving or augmenting existing buildings to the most modern standards.

Will the proposal contribute to

Yes, through reuse of existing buildings and embodied carbon.

*Glasgow's net zero
carbon target?*

**Privacy and Data
Protection Impacts:**

Are there any potential No
data protection impacts
as a result of this report
Y/N

If Yes, please confirm that
a Data Protection Impact
Assessment (DPIA) has
been carried out

6 Recommendations

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