



**CITY PLAN POLICY ENV2 / IPG12
PROJECTS ASSESSMENT GROUP**

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Developer Contribution (Informal Sport) – Funding Proposal 1147

Introduction

Officers are asked to support the request for £8,640 of Informal Sport IPG12 receipt (£6,912 capital and £1,728 revenue) towards the expansion and refurbishment of the ‘Callisthenics Park’ and surrounding landscape. This gym renewal will benefit Ward 11 – Hillhead & Woodside and also within Ward 10 - Yorkhill & Kelvingrove.

Location

14 S Woodside Road, Glasgow, G4 9HF

Project Description

This bid proposes to refurbish Kelvingrove Calisthenics Park by repairing existing equipment and additional kit. It is a small outdoor fitness area adjacent to the Kelvinbridge area and close to the Eldon Street entrance of Kelvingrove Park. It is easily accessed by active travel via a National Cycle route and close to the Kelvinbridge subway station.

Callisthenics is a type of exercise which uses body weight for resistance and is well suited to outdoor practice. Much of the equipment is static and therefore requires less maintenance. Static equipment will be prioritised for replacement within this park.

The gym area currently has some broken equipment, some of which is closed off. The surrounding surface also needs relevelled with new grass matting laid.

The proposal is to refurbish the existing timber posts with new parts and add a new piece of equipment to enhance the current inventory. The refurbishment will include a new surface.

Proposed cost breakdown:

<i>Existing equipment repair</i>	<i>£5,000</i>
<i>Additional equipment item</i>	<i>£4,000</i>
<i>Surfacing</i>	<i>£3,000</i>
<i>Total:</i>	<i>£12,000</i>

This proposed project will be delivered through IPG12 Contributions of **£6,912** and Parks Revenue of **£5,088**.

Other informal sport areas on GCC inventory include the Skatepark at the Royal Terrace entrance of Kelvingrove Park, as well as the lawn sports and tennis courts near the Museum. Kelvin Walkway Gyms is another nearby location. On balance, the Kelvinbridge gym is in need of enhancement works. Works to the outdoor gym, lawn sports and skatepark can be funded by other informal play allocations (ENV20836, ENV20453) and other nearby formal sport allocations (ENV20836, IPG0023).

IPG12 Funding Sources

It is proposed that a total IPG12 sum of £8,640 (capital and revenue) be sourced from the following Informal Sport receipt from Wards 10 & 11.

Ref No	Address	Ward	Informal Sport Capital	Informal Sport Revenue	TOTAL (£)
IPG 0196	Fergus Drive	11	£3,264.00	£816.00	£4,080.00
IPG 0047	North Claremont Street	10	£1,792.00	£448.00	£2,240.00
IPG 0075	Somerset Place	10	£1,856.00	£464.00	£2,320.00
			£6,912.00	£2,424.00	£8,640.00

Assessment against City Plan IPG12 Policy

Greenspace Category: Informal Sport

Distance Thresholds: Receipt 0196 is situated 960 metres from Kelvinbridge Gym, which is over the 500m distance threshold. Kelvin Walkway gym is nearby, however Kelvinbridge is the priority in need of major works.

Receipt 0047 is situated 925 metres from the gym, and over the 500m threshold. This is the best use of this IS allocation, with it being readily accessible by a National Cycle route through the park.

Receipt 0075 is 980 metres from the gym and is over the 500m threshold. It does, however, represent the best use of these funds, due to proximity to active travel opportunities.

Other Opportunities: As mentioned above, other opportunities include Kelvin Way Gym, Kelvingrove Park skatepark and lawn sports.

All of these locations have alternative Developer Contributions available for upcoming works.

Justification:

The proposal will improve opportunities for people to access quality outdoor gym equipment which is easily accessible by public transport and active travel.

PAG Consultation

This proposal will be presented for consideration at the next available ENV2 / IPG12 Project Assessment Group meeting in October 2025.

Subject to PAG approval, Greenspace & Biodiversity (NRS) will, in accordance with ENV2 / IPG12 policy, seek the support of elected members representing the multi-member Wards 10 & 11.

Recommendation

In accordance with City Plan ENV2 / IPG12 policy, members of the PAG are asked to approve the allocation of £8,640.00 (capital and revenue) in support of the Kelvinbridge Callisthenics gym.