

**GOVAN AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.**

Minutes of meeting held on 3rd February 2026, Pearce Institute, Govan Road.

**Present:** Councillor Dan Hutchison (Chair), Councillor Imran Alam and Councillor Stephen Dornan, Glasgow City Council; Inspector Jamie Lyall, Police Scotland; Station Commander Martine Barr, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Louise Gallacher, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Carol Ball, Drumoyne Community Council; Greg Easton, Govan Community Council; Alice Connelly, Govan East Community Council; Avril Williamson, Ibrox and Cessnock Community Council; Thomas Napper, Kinning Park Community Council; Deidre Gaughan, Central Govan Action Plan; and Karen Venables, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

**Apology:** Councillor Richard Bell, Glasgow City Council.

**Attending:** L Richards (Clerk); K Dooley and L Haddow (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); and K Argue, A Cassidy, J Ellis, J McDonald, S McGinlay and R Smith (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

**Appointment of Chair.**

**1** In terms of paragraph 7.4 of the Governance Framework, the Partnership noted that in the absence of Councillor Bell, Councillor Hutchison had been appointed to Chair the meeting.

**Minutes of previous meeting approved.**

**2** The minutes of 2nd September 2025 were submitted and approved.

**Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework - Membership update noted.**

**3** 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) Thomas Napper had replaced Serge Sanle as the representative for Kinning Park Community Council; and
- (2) Greg Easton had replaced Esme Clark as the representative and Madeleine Skeoch had been nominated as the substitute representative, for Govan Community Council.

## **Community Planning Partnership – Governance Framework - Register of Interests noted.**

**4** There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration advising the Partnership of the requirements in relation to the Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework regarding the registration and declaration of members' interests and detailing those interests which had been declared by members of the Partnership, as detailed in the report.

## **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.**

**5** There was submitted and noted a report by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 3, from 1st October to 31st December 2025, advising the Partnership that

- (1) the service had attended 652 incidents in the South area, these being 145 fires, 161 non-fire incidents and 228 false alarms;
- (2) the service had visited schools in the area to give presentations on anti-social behaviour and are looking to set up a programme where they work with youths who are disengaging from school;
- (3) there had been no significant incidents in the ward since the last meeting; and
- (4) the service were looking to engage with Social Work Services to offer training to help make things safer for vulnerable people.

## **Police Scotland ward update noted.**

**6** There was heard a report by Inspector Lyall, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership that

- (1) there had been a reduction on previous years in incidents reported on bonfire night with joint patrols with officers from Glasgow City Council undertaken around the ward;
- (2) a drink driving campaign had been held over the festive period;
- (3) Police Scotland were continuing to focus on the use of e-bikes and that there had been 2 serious incidents recently involving e-bikes, with the primary focus being to link in with schools and educate young people on the potential dangers;
- (4) there had been continued intelligence gathering for drug dealing within the ward;

- (5) Chief Inspector William Campbell had been newly appointed and would be happy to reach out and speak to people in the community; and
- (6) work carried out by the Community Team regarding the Community Alcohol Partnership was ongoing and that due to the success of this, similar schemes would be launching in other areas of the city.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report and thanked Inspector Lyall for the update; and
- (b) raised a number of questions and concerns that were addressed by Inspector Lyall.

### **Govan Demonstration of Change Funding Process - Noted etc.**

7 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Policy and Corporate Governance, regarding the criteria, application and governance process in place to select a lead Partner organisation for Glasgow Child Poverty Programme, Govan, Demonstration of Change, advising

- (1) that Glasgow's new Community Plan 2024-34 sets the overarching aim to 'tackle poverty by sharing opportunities, wealth and power more equally and at the core are two key principles guiding our ways of working – to be both people-centred and place-based;
- (2) as part of a citywide effort to reduce child poverty, three wards, Calton, Southside Central and Govan, had been identified to pilot the Child Poverty Programme (CPP) Demonstration of Change (DOC) initiative and Glasgow's Child Poverty Programme was now seeking a community organisation in Govan to act as Strategic Lead Partner for the Govan DOC;
- (3) that in June 2024, the City Administration Committee approved an allocation of funding to 10 booster wards across the city, one of them being Govan and that the total amount of funding available to support the partnership in Govan would be £786,000 from the expanded Whole Family Early Intervention Fund (WFEIF);
- (4) that predominantly work with 231 Govan families with children aged 0 – 5 was identified via Glasgow's CPP dashboard and that the CPP had recently reached a pivotal stage in that the programme would proactively contact these families to make an offer of support; and
- (5) of the criteria, the plans for budget, the performance framework requirements and the members of the selection panel that would select the lead partner organisation, all as detailed in the report.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) raised questions in relation to the criteria and the purpose of the fund which Ms Haddow responded to; and
- (c) welcomed the opportunity to hear more information regarding ward specific programmes.

**Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) Progress Update noted etc – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.**

8 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

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) approved
  - (i) the following proposals, as detailed in the report, in respect of (Ref 05-010), (Ref 05-012), (Ref 05-023) and (Ref 23-048);
  - (ii) £32,000 for grass surface in respect of Ref No 05-004;
  - (iii) £28,500 in respect of Ref 05-014; and
  - (iv) Ref 05-009 subject to NRS providing final designs to the Partnership.
- (c) agreed to
  - (i) remove the following proposals as detailed in the report, in respect of (Ref 05-005) and (Ref 05-017); and
  - (ii) continued consideration of all other remaining proposals as detailed Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 of the report, to the next meeting of the Partnership; and
- (d) requested that Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability;

- (i) arrange a walk around the ward in respect of Ref 05-018 to establish what was required.
- (ii) liaise with Kinning Park Community Council in respect of Ref 05-021 to assess what was required.

### **Area Budget 2025/26 - Final monitoring statement noted.**

**9** There was submitted and noted 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, as detailed in appendix 1 to the report.

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

**10** There was submitted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, advising

- (1) that the Area Budget had still to be agreed by the City Administration Committee and any revisions to Area Budget allocations for 2026/27 would be detailed in a future report;
- (2) that Area Partnerships had the option to approve a portion of funds from its 2026/27 Area Budget at the January/February 2026 cycle of meetings for any projects/services that would take place early in the 2026/27 financial year;
- (3) that any funding recommended would be subject to confirmation of available finances; and
- (4) that any applications considered at the January/February 2026 cycle of meetings should be time critical.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
  - (i) that the Area Budget allocations for 2026/27 were subject to availability of funds following approval of Glasgow City Council's 2026/27 budget, with any revisions to current levels of budget being subject to a future report;
  - (ii) the interim arrangements which enabled the allocation of a portion of the funding from the 2026/27 Area Budget in the January/February cycle for time critical applications; and
  - (iii) that time critical awards of up to £750 could be allocated from the 2026/27 budget under the existing delegated authority arrangements; and

- (b) dealt with the application 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>
Parents for Future Scotland	Towards the cost of active travel coordinators to work with parents within Darnley, St Saviours and Riverside Primary Schools	Awarded £5,520

- (c) agreed the increased playscheme award, as detailed in the report, for spring, summer and October holiday periods as follows:-

<b>Playscheme</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Spring 2024</b>	<b>Summer 2024</b>	<b>October 2024</b>	<b>Total</b>
Beachcombers Playscheme	44 Crossloan Terrace G51 3NW	£240	£720	£188	<b>£1,104</b>
Inclusive Homework Club	Kinning Park Complex, 243 Cornwall St G41 1BA	£368	£1,104	£184	<b>£1,656</b>

### **Future meeting dates approved.**

**11** The dates of the 2026 meeting dates were submitted and approved by the Partnership as detailed below:-

- (a) Tuesday, 14th April 2026 at 14:00 hours;
- (b) Tuesday, 1st September 2026 at 14:00 hours; and
- (c) Tuesday, 10th November 2026 at 14:00 hours.