Item 1

18th September 2026

SPRINGBURN/ROBROYSTON AREA PARTNERSHIP.

Minutes of meeting held on 9th September 2026, by video conference Hybrid.

Present: Councillor Graham Campbell (Chair), Councillor Audrey Dempsey, Councillor Christina Cannon and Councillor Thomas Rannachan, Glasgow City Council; Station Commander Craig Rider, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Joan McDonald, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Julie Toal, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Kimberley Duff, Wallacewell Community Council; John Thorburn, NG Homes; Jenny Reeve, Beatroute Arts; and Mala Jayhindraran, Springburn Unity Network.

Apologies: Inspector Emma Mark, Police Scotland; Carole Phillip, Robroyston Community Council; and Helen Carroll, Springburn Community Council.

Attending: N Palmer (Clerk); A Moore, D Spiers and A McLinden (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance); R MacPhail and L McRavey (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability); and T Mason and L Fleming, Living Rent Organisation.

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 22nd April 2026 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership noted etc.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update on the membership of this Partnership, advising that since the last meeting that Station Commander Craig Rider had replaced Station Commander John Allan as the representative for Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

Variation in order of business noted.

3 The Partnership agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service ward update noted.

4 There was heard and noted a report by Station Commander Craig Rider, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the ward for Quarter 1, advising the Partnership

(1) of the 156 incidents within the ward, 63 deliberate fires, 17 accidental fires, 46 deliberate fires, 1 casualty and 65 false alarms;

(2) that there had been 297 Home Fire Safety Visits of which 42 had taken place within the ward;

(3) that their focus had been to continue educating those within the community around fire safety through delivering fire safety talks in local schools and nurseries;

(4) that in preparation for bonfire night, Springburn Academy had welcomed Scottish Fire and Recuse Service to promote fire safety which had previously resulted in positive outcomes; and

(5) that Springburn Fire Service had attended Spirit of Springburn's recent event to also highlight fire safety.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) thanked Station Commander Craig Rider for the update and the work carried out by the fire service within the ward.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund (NIIF) – Update Noted etc – Funding Approved.

5 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 that

(1) the NIIF provided an opportunity to implement participatory budgeting at a scale with an approved budget that was set in 2021/22 of £23 million and that £1 million of this was allocated to each ward;

(2) this funding was capital expenditure and therefore could be carried forward to be spent in future financial years, although should be fully committed by March 2027;

(3) and of the progress to date, as detailed in appendix 1 of this report.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and

(b) approved

(i) Ref 17-014 - £2,000 – improve pavements, shop fronts, greening/planters/hanging baskets to enhance the look of the retail

area subject to confirmation from Helen Carroll, Springburn Community Council on who would be responsible for the maintenance of the planters;

(ii) Ref 17-024 - £16,000 – pedestrian crossing to aid traffic calming at Robroyston Road from Cortmalaw to Briarcroft – new dropped kerb and additional signage and lining on Robroyston Road;

(iii) Ref 17-029 – £56,000 - Resurfacing of pavement and roads at Wallacewell Road along pavement and road length beside housing;

(iv) Ref 17-041 - £9,500 – Provision of CCTV camera due to anti-social behaviour at the junction at Springburn Academy – Balgrayhill Road at Hawthorn Street; and

(v) Ref 17-042 - £19,000 – Provision of 2 CCTV cameras due to anti-social behaviour at Hillkirk Street Lanes on the condition that the location is suitable for deployment.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund - Community Engagement update noted – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

6 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

(1) agreed to submit the following ideas for costing

(a) installation of walkways and appropriate lighting for safer access to and from Wallacewell Primary School, Path 1 – from Robroyston Park entrance at Rockfield Nursery on Rockfield Road to Wallacewell Primary SchoolPath 2 – at Wallacewell Road across the road from Beatroute Arts Community Building to Wallacewell Primary School;

(b) lighting columns at Wallacewell Road with a view to being able to host festive lighting features;

(c) full renewal of the play area at Broomfield Park;

(d) a pump track in the Robroyston area near Robroyston Train Station;

(e) dropped kerbs at either side of the road at the entrance to the Cortmalaw estate with a very small path to these across the current grass verge;

(f) investment in the football pitch at Wallacewell Primary School; and

(g) changing the exsiting mud path that residents use to traverse the area behind Cortmalaw estate from Auchinloch village to Asda Robroyston roundabout and to Wallacewell Primary School; and

(2) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability investigate, as detailed in the report

(a) point 2 - whether the 8 lighting colums could be changed completely to accommodate festive lights in the future;

(b) point 4 - confirmation of who would maintain the park if NIIF money was committed;

(c) point 5 - confirmation that the land is owned by the Council;

(d) point 6 - of the latest version of asto turf being used to upgrade the football pitch at Wallacewell Primary School; and

(e) point 7 - whether the Council own the land and what permissions would be required to proceed with the footpath.

Festive Lighting 2026/27 update noted – Funding approved.

7 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS), 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 2025/26 festive displays and switch-on events and asking the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2026/27 programme;

(2) that the Partnership should notify NRS of any locations for a proposed switch on event for either a Christmas or natural tree;

(3) that members should approve the necessary funding for any additional costs over and above the central funding;

(4) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be deducted from the Springburn/Robroyston Area Partnership 2026/27 Area Budget allocation; and

(5) NRS had been informed that the current Horticultural Contract, which included the supply of Christmas Trees, had come to an end whilst the Councils Procurement team 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%.

After consideration, the Partnership;

(a) noted the lighting arrangements and the central funding available for the 2026/27 programme; and

(b) approved the total additional funding of £11,950 through using the Area Budget 2026/27.

Pride in Place Programme: Springburn & Sighthill 2026/36 – Update noted.

8 There was submitted and noted a progress update by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance, regarding the Pride in Place Programme: Springburn & Sighthill 2026/36 (PiP) advising

(1) of Springburn and Sighthill Pride in Place budget position for 2026/2036; submissions to date, and governance arrangements in development;

(2) that Springburn & Sighthill had been selected to receive funding of up to £20 million over a ten-year period, enabling long-term investment in projects that would create thriving places, strengthen communities and empower local people to influence the future of their neighbourhoods;

(3) the key feature of the Programme was the establishment of Neighbourhood Boards, placing local people at the centre of decisions around how funding was invested in their communities;

(4) the Neighbourhood Board was responsible for preparing a Regeneration Plan that set out a shared vision for Springburn/Sighthill over the next 10 years; and

(5) that all four relevant Area Partnerships in both Pride in Place areas were notified of the process to identify board Chairs with letters sent out by the MP's office to 7,000 households in the area, informing them about the PIP programme, and asking for expressions of interest in joining the board.

After consideration, the partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) raised concerns and disappointments as they had not received a letter informing them of the programme or inviting expression of interest to join the board, despite 7,000 letters reportedly being distributed. Councillor Audrey Dempsey highlighted that, despite living within the targeted area, she was unaware that letters had been sent out and was informed by local residents they didn't receive correspondence either; and

(c) John Thorburn also highlighted his concerns and frustration that North East Springburn had been removed from the map and not included within this targeted area.

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

9 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP), advising of an update on GHSCP activity at a city and North East locality level throughout March to August 2026, as detailed in the report.

After consideration the partnership

(1) noted the report; and

(2) requested that the Chief Officer of Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership provide further information on bowel screening within the ward, including figures on uptake and how many people accessed the service compared with previous years.

Police Scotland – Consideration continued.

10 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of a verbal update by Police Scotland to a future meeting of this partnership.

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

11 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 Springburn/Robroyston Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2026/27 was £104,851 and that £86,737 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £18,114; and

(3) 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 4 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:

Applicant	*Purpose of application*	*Decision*
International Women's – Providing for New Scots Women Through a Project Worker	Towards the costs of paying for additional advocacy worker to support expanding case load and reduce wait times of New Scots women, who depend on this support in a trusted environment	Awarded £1,380
Stronger Together Enterprise	Towards the cost to providing financial literacy workshop to Ethnic Minority Youths to enable them to make informed financial decisions in life	Awarded £3,106
Differabled	Towards the cost of supporting multiple programmes for children and neurodiverse females	Awarded £1,200
Shahanara	Towards the cost to deliver a 6 month programme of 12 free workshops, delivered twice monthly for up to 20 participants per session	Rejected due to not having enough information
Robroyston Community Council	Towards the cost for a santa visit to the Robroyston area of the ward and deliver selection boxes to the local children in the area	Awarded £478