

VICTORIA PARK AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 15th April 2026, City Chambers, Glasgow.

Present: Councillor Lana Reid-McConnell (Chair); and Councillor Feargal Dalton, Glasgow City Council; Sergeant Caroline Harrod, Police Scotland; Station Commander Kenneth MacSwan, Scottish Fire and Rescue Services; Mhairi Shephard, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Elaine Hindle, Broomhill Community Council; Dr Catherine Benton MBE, Jordanhill Community Council; Colin Price, Thornwood Community Council; Elizabeth Brown, Whiteinch Community Council; and Ross MacPhail, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

Apology: Councillor Eunis Jassemi, Glasgow City Council.

Attending: C Chisholm (Clerk), K Gannon (for the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance), M McColgan (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability) and S Stirling, Youth Work and Operations Coordinator.

Minutes of previous meeting approved etc.

- 1** The minutes of 12th February 2026 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework – Membership 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) Inspector Alexander Marshall had been nominated as the representative for Police Scotland, replacing Inspector Iain Sibbald.

Police Scotland Ward update noted – Request to Police Scotland.

- 3** There was heard a report by Sergeant Caroline Harrod, Police Scotland advising the Partnership

- (1) that Inspector Alexander Marshall will start his role on the 27th April 2026;
- (2) that body-worn cameras have now come into place and Police Scotland have noticed a positive impact;

- (3) of the ongoing works with local Primary Schools to target road safety and parking issues; and
- (4) of the ongoing issues within Victoria Park around football graffiti.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) requested that Police Scotland provide a more detailed report going forward on how the works with local Primary Schools to target road safety and parking issues was progressing.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Services ward update notes ect.

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

- (1) that there had been 3 accidental dwelling fires, 2 non-fire casualties, 2 deliberate fires, 15 unwanted fire alarm signals, 1 road traffic collision and 26 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 Calton, Easterhouse and Pollock fire stations to experience emergency services and the plans to role this out further; and
- (3) that the Fire at Union Street is currently under investigation and that they will bring back more information to the Partnership when the investigation is complete.

After consideration, the partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) expressed concerns around BBQ's in parks to which was responded to by Station Commander Kenneth MacSwan.

Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership – Update noted.

5 There was submitted and noted a report by the Chief Officer, Glasgow City Social Care Partnership (GCHSCP), providing an update during the last quarter regarding health improvement and of the ongoing work within the North West of the city.

DRC Youth Project (Diversionary Street-Based Youth Work) Update noted

6 There was submitted and noted a report by the DRC Youth Project (Diversionary Street-Based Youth Work providing the Partnership with an overview of the activities they had been carrying out within the Whiteinch/Victoria Park area, as detailed in the report.

Festive Lighting 2026/27 update noted.

7 There was submitted and noted 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 2026/27 festive displays and switch-on events and asked the Partnership to confirm whether these should be included in the 2026/27 programme;
- (2) of the standard pricing schedule for the 2024-2028 festive lighting programme following the procurement exercise carried out to deliver the programme;
- (3) that approved funding in excess of the central funding would be met by Victoria Park Area Partnership from other funds; and
- (4) NRS Festive Team had been informed the current Horticultural Contract, which included the supply of Christmas Trees, had come to an end. Glasgow City Councils Procurement 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 report;
- (b) raised concern and disappointment around how it is inappropriate to cost one visit to put lights in three trees next to each other as three separate jobs. A second and third tree should add very little to the cost of putting the lights in a single tree; and
- (c) agreed to refer Festive Lighting 2026/27 until September 2026 when new costings had been received.

Neighbourhood Infrastructure Improvement Fund – Progress update – Report by 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) approved projects Ref No 12-031, full resurfacing of footpaths on both sides of Crow Road from Dumbarton Road up to Shopping Precinct, Ref No 12-025 - repaint cycle lanes in Jordanhill and Ref No 12-048 – up to £5,000 - creation of hardstanding at the end of Churchill Drive/Randolph Road;
- (b) agreed to defer consideration to identify if the works would be carried out as business as usual cases by NRS
 - (i) Ref No 12-041 to improve quality of 2 pedestrian underpasses with improved maintenance for drainage to address regular flooding;
 - (ii) Ref No 12-042 to improve quality of pedestrian underpasses ensure wall/roof surfaces are secure and refresh paintwork;
 - (iii) Ref No 12-043 to improve quality of pedestrian underpasses provide improved lighting;
 - (iv) Ref No 12-044 to improve quality of pedestrian overpasses with spaces for public art;
 - (v) Ref No 12-012 to improve quality of pedestrian underpasses to improve drainage/address flooding;
 - (vi) Ref 12-014 to improve quality of pedestrian underpasses on Balshagray Avenue;
- (c) agreed to remove
 - (i) Ref No 12-027 to be treated as business as usual case - to resurface potholes on Jordanhill Drive, Seggielea Road and Helensbrugh drive;
 - (ii) Ref No 12-013 to improve quality of pedestrian underpasses; and
 - (iii) Ref 12-015 to improve quality of pedestrian underpasses; and
- (d) agreed Isobel Yates from Broomhill Community Council and Councillor Lana Reid McConnel as the named contacts in relation to Ref No 12-023 – assess safety measures around entrance and exit point of Broomhill Primary School and Ref No 12-046 – crossing point at Crow Road/Marlborough Avenue; and

- (e) requested the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS)
- (i) seek clarification on what footway means and why the cost has risen so much in relation to Ref No 12-047 – Repaving of Pathways at Crow Road-Clerence Drive;
 - (i) seek clarification on why Ref No 12-036 and Ref 12-037 are 2 separate jobs - improving pavement and driveways MUGA on Thronwood Drive;
 - (ii) further information on why costing couldn't be provided due to commercial sensitivity and raised concerns around this in relation to Ref No 12-033 – raised red bitumen for the crossing of Norval Street;
 - (iii) clarification on costing est for Ref No 12-035 and Ref No 12-037 as these are separate jobs with the exact same costings – MUGA on Thornwood Drive;
 - (iv) revised details of works for Ref No 12-028 – resurfacing of roads and paths, by removing Woodend Drive carriage way resurfacing at a cost of £71,000, removing footway adjacent at a cost of £61,325 and removing Essex Drive to Beresford Avenue carriage way resurfacing at a cost of £27,200 and provide the Partnership with an updated costing;
 - (v) provide an updated estimate for Ref No 12-006 and Ref No 12-007 – installation of fixed CCTV to address fly tipping;
 - (vi) provide costings at next Area Partnership meeting for Ref No 12-030 – football pitch upgrading;
 - (vii) provide revised design and costings for Ref No 12-040 – create a safe walking root through Scotstoun Street; and
 - (viii) that the approved funding of £10,000 for a feasible study and revised up to £100,000 for works if required in relation to Ref No 12-010 is included and noted within the amount approved column.

Area Budget 2025/26 - Applications for funding dealt with etc.

9 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 13th March 2025, when the committee approved the 2025/26 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 2025/26;

- (2) that the Victoria Park Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2025/26 was £59,733 and that £58,280 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £1,453; and
- (3) of the applications for funding from the Victoria Park Area Budget for 2025/26.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
 - (i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2025/26; and
 - (ii) the 4 applications dealt with under the Delegated Functions, as detailed in the report.

Area Budget 2025/2026 – Final monitoring statement noted.

10 There was submitted and noted a report by the Head of Policy and Corporate Governance regarding the Area Budget for 2025/2026, providing a final monitoring statement in relation to projects previously funded, as detailed in the appendix to the report.

Area Budget 2026/27 - Applications for Funding - Report by Head of Policy and Corporate Governance.

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 Victoria Park Area Partnership's Budget allocation for 2026/27 was £60,381 and that £8,594 had been allocated to date, leaving a balance of £51,787; and
- (3) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2026/76.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
 - (i) the position regarding the Area Budget allocation for 2026/27;
 - (ii) the induction of the new area budget application form; 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>
130th Glasgow Company, The Boys Brigade	Towards the cost of annual summer for 12-16 Young People at Lagganlia Outdoor Centre in the Cairngorm (7-10 August 2026)	Awarded £1,000
Scotstoun Primary School	Towards the costs of delivering a summer programme for families in partnership with St Pauls Primary and Stepping Stones for families	Awarded £1,224
Halo arts (Education)	Towards the costs to support a free to attend outdoor community event in Victoria Park on Saturday, 25th July 2026	Awarded £2,486
Plant Up CIC	Towards the cost to deliver community events at the Clydeside Gardens. The programme will include two events - summer event on Saturday 25/09/26, and an Autumn event as part of the Doors Open festival on 26/09/26	Awarded £783
Weekday Wow Factor	Towards the cost of delivering a weekly dementia pilot at Victoria Park Bowling Club, Whiteinch. The sessions will run every Wednesday from 10am to 4pm	Awarded £2,334