

## Appendix 7: Our Partners



### **Glasgow City Council**

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Glasgow City Council's Mission:

We want Glasgow to flourish as a modern, multi-cultural, metropolitan city of opportunity, achievement, culture and sporting excellence where citizens and businesses thrive and visitors are always welcomed.

GCC delivers the following services to Glasgow's citizens – council tax and benefits; bins and recycling; schools and learning; roads and parking; business support; planning and building; registrars; parks and leisure; social care and health.

GCC Education and Social Work services are represented on and contribute to the Glasgow Community Learning and Development Strategy Partnership.



### **Glasgow Community Planning Partnership**

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Community planning helps a range of agencies including local authorities, NHS, Police Scotland, the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, and Scottish Enterprise to work together with communities to design and deliver services locally that make a difference and improve people's lives.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership (GCPP) includes several organisations including: Scottish Government, Glasgow's Third Sector Forum, Glasgow Chamber of Commerce, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport, Department for Work & Pensions, Skills Development Scotland, Colleges, Housing Associations and Community and voluntary representatives across the city.

The Partnership vision is to make Glasgow a thriving, inclusive and resilient city; where all of the citizens can enjoy the best possible health and well-being and have the best opportunities to meet their potential.

To realise this vision and acknowledging challenging financial times the partners are currently focusing through the Single Outcome Agreement on youth employment, reducing problems associated with alcohol, and vulnerable people. These priorities are complimented by an emphasis on particular neighbourhoods across the city, known as the thriving places approach, to tackle inequality, poverty, and deprivation.



### **Community Justice Glasgow (CJG)**

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The Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 established new delivery and oversight arrangements for the provision of Community Justice. Integral to the approach is local planning and delivery of services on a partnership basis by local authority area. Community Justice Glasgow has a particular focus on 'reoffending', ensuring as people come in contact with the justice system, the system is effective at reducing the likelihood they will offend again. In Scotland, only 30% of court convictions are for individuals with no previous convictions. By focusing on those already in the justice system, from point of arrest, through prosecution, sentencing and beyond, there is scope to reduce second and subsequent offences, reduce crime and improve community safety. Community Justice endorses the evidence of community based responses to crime, and aims to reduce an over-reliance on the use of custody, in particular short term sentences.



### **Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector (GCVS)**

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GCVS is the main development agency and advocate for voluntary and community organisations in Glasgow and one of the largest Councils for the Voluntary Sector in the UK. It is one of four key partners – (GCVS, Volunteer Glasgow, Glasgow Social Enterprise Network and the Third Sector Forum) – that form Glasgow's Third Sector Interface – the partnership that supports and represents the third sector in Glasgow. GCVS is a membership organisation open to all third sector organisations and

individuals, with a membership of over 600 voluntary-managed organisations. GCVS works with Interface partners and the third sector to: listen and respond to their needs; help them reach their potential and play a full role in Glasgow. Supported through Glasgow City Council's Integrated Grant Fund, GCVS is committed to its CLD and capacity building services, supporting voluntary sector staff and building the capacity of groups and organisations in local communities. Key elements for CLD include the delivery of a funding support service, bespoke capacity building and an extensive professional development programme.



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### **Glasgow Life (GL)**

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Glasgow Life is a charitable organisation whose mission is to inspire the city's citizens and visitors to lead richer and more active lives through culture, sport and learning. Glasgow Life is a charity that delivers cultural, sporting and learning activities on behalf of Glasgow City Council. The organisation's aim is to make a positive impact on individuals, the communities in which they live and the city as a whole by delivering a range of services including arts, music, sports, events and festivals, libraries, community development and learning programmes. In addition, Glasgow Life manages over 160 buildings including Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum and the Emirates Arena with its Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome.



### **Volunteer Glasgow**

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Volunteer Glasgow is the operating name of the Volunteer Centre – the Centre for Volunteering, Community Action and Employment Initiatives – which was established in 1970. In addition to promoting and supporting volunteering, VG has established a successful track record in providing community development, befriending/mentoring, training, community care, and advisory services across the city.

Volunteering is the lifeblood of our 21st Century, democratic, civil society. Tens of thousands of people in Glasgow choose to do something without remuneration to run sport and the arts, support other people when they're vulnerable, provide programmes and activities for our children and young people, govern charities and community groups, raise funds for charity, protect and enhance the environment, develop other people's skills, provide mutual support, health and social care services, and campaign for change.

VG is one of a number of key partners developing and delivering Glasgow's Strategic Volunteering Framework together with Glasgow Life, GCVS, Glasgow City Council, Glasgow Community Planning Partnership, the NHS, Glasgow's schools, colleges and universities, the private sector, Glasgow Works, VDS, SCVO, VAS, and the city's voluntary sector networks.



## **Wheatley Group**

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Wheatley is Scotland's leading housing, care and property-management group and one of the UK's best-accredited organisations. Owning or managing over 80,000 homes, Wheatley delivers award-winning services to 250,000 people across Scotland. Group subsidiaries are united by a common commitment to excellence in all they do and a joint mission in 'Making Homes and Lives Better' for the people they work for and the communities in which they live. Wheatley and its partner organisations continue each year to win national and international awards and accreditations from organisations ranging from the European Foundation for Quality Management to Investors in People and the UK Government Cabinet Office, which oversees Customer Service Excellence.



## Skills Development Scotland

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Skills Development Scotland (SDS) is Scotland's national skills body. The organisation contributes to Scotland's sustainable economic growth by supporting people and businesses to develop and apply their skills. They work with partners to provide services that deliver the very best outcomes for Scotland's people, businesses and the economy.



## Jobs and Business Glasgow

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Jobs and Business Glasgow's principal objectives are to reduce the gap between Glasgow's and Scotland's employment rate by increasing the percentage of Glasgow jobs going to Glasgow residents, and to match business density rates in competitor cities by raising the rate of sustainable business.

The company's 5 year strategic planning process determined their contribution to the economic development of the city. Their contribution is based on two key themes; the first is to increase the competitiveness of Glasgow's residents in the jobs market by equipping them with the skills that employers value in the workplace. The second strategic goal is to work with the small business base to increase the number of start-ups and help improve their resilience in order to create more jobs.



## **Glasgow Housing Association**

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Glasgow Housing Association (GHA) is the largest social landlord in Scotland with 40,000 homes across Glasgow. GHA is a not-for-profit company created in 2003 by the, then, Scottish Executive for the purpose of owning and managing Glasgow's social housing stock. GHA took over ownership of Glasgow City Council's housing stock after a ballot of tenants.

GHA is part of Wheatley Group - Scotland's leading housing, care and property-management group - which provides homes and services to over 200,000 people in 17 local authority areas across Central Scotland.



## **Workers Education Association**

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Founded in 1903, the Workers' Educational Association (WEA) is a charity dedicated to bringing high-quality, professional education into the heart of communities. With the support of nearly 3,000 volunteers, 2,000 tutors and over 10,000 members, they deliver friendly, accessible and enjoyable courses for adults from all walks of life.



## **Glasgow College Regional Board**

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GCRB was set up as part of the Scottish Government's reform of the college sector which merged colleges into regional public bodies. GCRB, Glasgow Clyde College, City of Glasgow College and Glasgow Kelvin College have developed a regional strategy for college learning: The Glasgow Region Strategic Plan for College Education 2017-2022.



## **Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership**

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Within Glasgow City, Glasgow City Council and NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde have integrated the planning and delivery of all community health and social care services for children, adults and older people, along with homelessness and criminal justice services. This work is directed by the Glasgow City Integration Joint Board, with the Council and Health Board delivering services under the banner of the 'Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership.'

The Partnership comprises of around 7,800 Social Work (Glasgow City Council) and Health (NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde) staff. It is led by an integrated Executive and Senior Management Team and it provides services through the three localities of North East, North West and South and directly provided residential and day care. Services are also delivered through health and social care providers.