

Community Budgeting In Glasgow

The Journey to date...

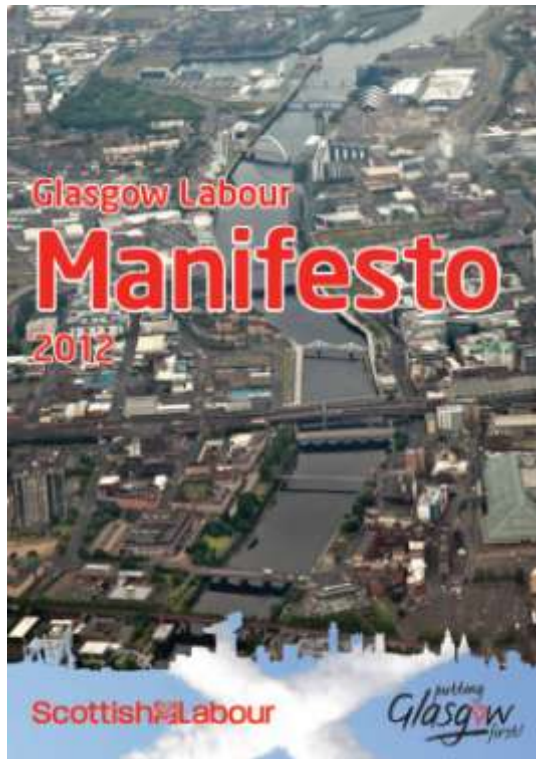


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Manifesto Commitment



- Labour will introduce community budgeting, giving local people the power and resources to shape services in their area.

Strategic Plan 2012-2017



- As part of our approach to community planning and devolving responsibility for how services are developed locally, we will roll out community budgeting to local areas in 2013 to 2014 so that local people have greater influence over, and input into, how services are developed and delivered.

Working Group

- Jim Gray (Chair)
 - Head of Democratic Services
- Duncan Black
 - Chief Accountant
- Anne Connolly
 - Strategic Advisor to the Chief Executive

Workshop – Issues Arising

- Neighbourhood or ward level initiatives
 - local initiatives
 - quality of life improvements
- Aim of better and more effective use of local funds for local priorities
 - greater community participation

Workshop – Issues Arising

- Phased approach 2013 to 2017
- Touch points with Co-operative Glasgow
 - transferring community facilities
 - using social enterprises
- Avoid cutting across existing strategies – compliment them

Workshop – Issues Arising

- Provides opportunity to engender neighbourhood pride
- Enhance citizens understanding the consequences of financial decisions (opportunity cost)

Work in Progress

- Pilots / Proof of Concept
- Secure political endorsement for approach
- Discuss pilots with key senior officials e.g. Land and Environmental Services, Glasgow Life
- Early Wins



Work in Progress

- Reaching the silent majority
- Not small grants repackaged
- Community Engagement at the heart of Community Budgeting

Work in Progress

- Political Impact on Participatory Democracy
- Relationship with Integrated Grant Fund
- Restrict to geographic area(s) (?)



Work in Progress

- Different Models (Spectrum) bending the mainstream through to £ changing hands
- Changing the Cities' relationship with it's Citizens
- Links to the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Bill

Questions?

