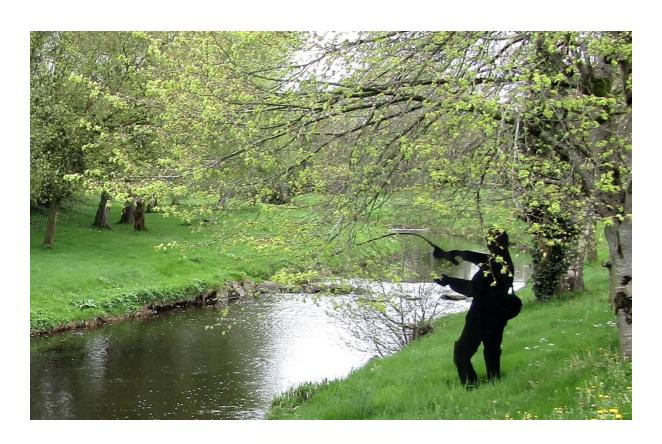
Emyvale Community Plan 2018-2028 DRAFT

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Foreword

Co. Monaghan communities have a long and proud tradition of community development. A strong community takes a special sense of pride in the area, reaches out to those that are vulnerable, cares for those most in need, celebrates together when times are good, and gathers around to support one another in the sad times.

Monaghan County Council is committed to supporting communities to be the best places to live, work and visit in Ireland. As part of our drive to support communities, we are helping communities to prepare Community Plans. Through a process of consultation with the people living and working in your community, Council staff have drafted a Vision of the Future for Emyvale and compiled a set of Priorities which will help the community to develop towards this Vision over the next ten years.

This document is a Draft Plan, which is a first try at gathering up everyone's thoughts on the way forward. We'd like you to take a look and let us know what you think. It's not too late to add new ideas, take some things out, or even go back to the drawing board, if necessary!

- What would make Emyvale a great place to live?
- Have the right priorities been identified in this Plan?
- If everything in this Plan was achieved, would life in Emyvale be better? For everyone?

At the back of this Plan, you will find a short questionnaire, which you can tear out and send back to us with your thoughts. We'll use those to make any necessary changes and additions to the document, before finalising the Community Plan.

Monaghan County Council is committed to supporting the communities of Co. Monaghan to become the best they can be. We hope to play a significant role in many of the projects outlined in the Plan and view the drafting of this document together with you, the community, as the first step in a long and fruitful partnership.

Thank you for your investment in Co. Monaghan.

Eamonn O Sullivan

Chief Executive

Monaghan County Council



At the back of this document, you will find a short survey, which is provided for you to give us your thoughts. Please detach and return to either of the following:

Community Dept Monaghan County Council The Glen Monaghan Box provided in Emyvale Leisure Centre

You can also fill out the survey online by following this link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DH7PSCM

Please return your submission by the 18th January 2019.

We hope to publish the final Plan by the end of February 2019. If you would like a copy of the final Plan, please make sure to supply your contact details with the survey form.

1. Introduction

Monaghan County Council and the community of Emyvale have a long history of collaboration, covering many areas, including sport, heritage and the arts. In 2017, the Council secured funding for Emyvale under the Town & Village Renewal Scheme and organised a public meeting in November 2017 to give control of how this funding was to be spent over to the community. At that meeting, the various groups and residents present agreed that a Development Plan was needed. A follow up meeting in February 2018 identified many key needs in the area. An online needs survey was then carried out, to give those not present at that meeting an opportunity to have their say.

This draft Community Plan considers all of the comments submitted throughout the various meetings, emails, and online submissions. It will be circulated to the community for discussion, before being further developed to take into account any comments received during the consultation period. It will then become the final Plan for the community.

2. Community Profile

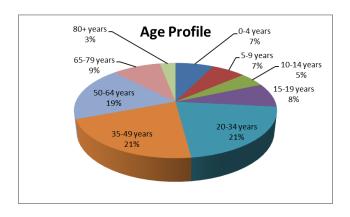
Location

The village of Emyvale is located in north Co. Monaghan. It lies on the main Dublin to Derry and Letterkenny road, the (N2), about 10 km (6 miles) north of Monaghan and 8 km (5 miles) south of the border with Northern Ireland.



Population

Its population in 2016 was 701 people, comprised of 334 males and 367 females. 26% of the population of the village is aged under twenty.





Disadvantage

The village of Emyvale is covered by two Small Areas. Both are rated as having a 'marginally below average' score on the HP deprivation index. The village serves a wider hinterland, and so it is useful to look at the disadvantage levels in the surrounding area. The area immediately surrounding the village is quite well-to-do, as evidenced by the amount of 'marginally above average' green-coloured DED's surrounding the village, and the 'affluent' status of neighbouring Glaslough. However, this does not tell the whole picture; moving northwest, towards Sliabh Beagh, as the quality of farmland decreases, the level of disadvantage increases. As the largest village in North Monaghan, Emyvale plays a role in supporting these vulnerable upland communities, and therefore their fortunes are interlinked.



Areas shown in yellow have a 'below national average' score for disadvantage. Those shown in green are 'marginally above average'. Glaslough, shown in blue, is 'above average'

Housing

Almost 48% of the houses in the village are rented, 26% from the local authority/voluntary housing association and 22% from the private sector. 69.5% of the people living in the village rely on rented accommodation to meet their housing needs.

This is a much higher rental rate than elsewhere in Co. Monaghan

89 households are living in accommodation constructed prior to 1980. The insulation and energy efficiency of these dwellings is likely to be below current building standards and may indicate a potential vulnerability to fuel poverty due to higher heating bills.

Nationality & Religion

29.5% of the village's citizenry are not from Ireland. By far the largest community which has made Emyvale their home is the Lithuanian community; there are 141 people of Lithuanian nationality living in the village, making up 20% of the population.

Location	Birthplace	Nationality
Ireland	452	492
UK	70	13
Poland	4	5
Lithuania	135	141
Other EU 28	17	19
Rest of World	20	10
Not stated	0	18
Total	698	698

The majority of people living in the village speak English as their first language. Of those for whom English is not the first language, 50 stated they could not speak English well, and 10 said they could not speak English at all.

Education & Employment

There is a community pre-school in the village. Primary schools in neighbouring parishes provide primary school facilities, notably Corracrin and Knockconan, both of which are located along the N2. Older children must travel to Monaghan town or further afield for second and third level education.

The village is associated with the production of duck in Silver Hill Farm Foods, which is the main source of employment in the area.

The land immediately surrounding the village is fertile and productive, and known for dairying and beef production. To the north west of the village, the land becomes wet and boggy, as it extends towards the uplands area known as Sliabh Beagh.

The area would have formerly been strongly associated with furniture manufacturing and mushroom production. Both these enterprises have seen significant changes in recent times, with many small entrepreneurs opting not to reinvest. As a result, there are unused industrial buildings in the area.

Culture & Heritage

The Irish translation of the village's name, Scairbh na gCaorach, means, 'ford of the sheep', referring to the importance of the location as a river crossing in years gone by. The village was once an important market for the region and had its own market house. The Tidy Towns group has devised a heritage trail to mark important buildings in the village's history and has erected plaques throughout the village.

The area is associated with the McKenna and Treanor clans, both of which trace their ancestry back several hundred years.

Social & Community

Buildings & Facilities:

Leisure Centre

Located on Main St, this building was one of the first community-built sports and leisure centres in Co. Monaghan. It continues to serve the community's needs, with a sports hall to the rear, some meeting rooms to the middle section and upstairs and offices occupied by Truagh & Donagh Parishes CE scheme facing onto the street. The building also houses a stage, a snooker/ pool room, boxing club and squash/ handball courts.

Groups which use the facilities include Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann and Emy Belles women's group. Services to the community facilitated by the amenity include day

care to older people, refreshments after funerals, and hosting celebrations such as 50th wedding anniversaries.

The committee is currently involved in a major upgrading initiative, which includes installing a lift to the first floor, which will make this floor fully accessible for the first time.

The Centre is well used, and there is little spare capacity at peak times for new activities or groups.

Parish Field

Located on the Glaslough road out of the village, the Parish Field has been developed over the years into a football pitch with a running track around the perimeter. It serves as home to the Glaslough Harriers Athletics Club, Drumlin Youths FC and Emyvale Cycling Club. As it is located within the village, it is ideally located for use by juveniles.

The Parish Field was used as the venue for community events in years gone by, most notably the parish sports day, which was remembered fondly by many during the consultation process associated with putting this Development Plan together.

Enterprise Centre

Located just off Main St, on Old Mill Road, this building was constructed in 2004 and is an initiative of Monaghan County Enterprise Fund, facilitated by a board of local community leaders. The main tenants in the building are the Riverside Creche, which takes up 3 units. There are a small number of retail units to the street front and offices which are occupied at the moment by the HSE.

Riverbank Community Childcare

Opened in 2005, this facility is based in the Enterprise Centre. The facility offers full & part time day care, pre-school, after-school and summer camp for children aged 3 Months to 13 years old. There are currently 18 staff employed at Riverbank, and they can cater for up to 70 children.

Oratory

There is no Church in the village. However, there is an interdenominational Oratory, which is located along Main St, and is available to anyone.

Emyvale GAA Grounds

Emyvale GFC fields both men's and ladies teams from Juvenile to Senior level. The grounds are located 1km from Main St, along the Glaslough road.

Active Groups in Emyvale:

Emyvale Tidy Towns

A recently rejuvenated committee have been making great strides in the National Tidy Towns competition, winning the inaugural national Waters & Communities Award in 2017 for their work out at Emy Lough.

The committee also worked with Monaghan County Council to deliver a number of village enhancement measures during 2017, following a public consultation process.

Residents Associations

There are three residents associations currently active in the village; Gort an Caibhleara, Lakeview and Scairbh na gCaoreach. They carry out local enhancement works within their estates and receive support from Monaghan County Council for so doing.

Emyvale Development Association

This group has been in existence since the 1980's. Its work has a heritage focus, having produced numerous historical books and carried out a number of heritage surveys.

It also maintains a website, **emyvale.net**, which acts as a one-stop shop for news about the community.

Emy Belles

Emy Belles is a women's group which was formed so that ladies would have a chance to socialise, further their education & realise their full potential through learning & self-development. It organises talks, trips away, training events and social gatherings.

Emyvale Cycling Club

The club has been going since 1910, and organises weekly social road cycles, as well as competition events. Its members participate in races at all age levels. It has an active juvenile programme.

Emyvale GFC

Plays out of grounds on Glaslough road, on the way out to Emy lake. Fields teams at all ages, both men's and ladies.

Emyvale Boxing Club

There is a strong boxing club in the village, which operates from the Leisure Centre. It opened in 2010.

Drumlin Youths Football Club

Drumlin Youths, an underage soccer team, trains in the hall and plays in the Parish field.

Human Resources

The CE, RSS and TUS schemes are all active in the village. Of the 35 workers available across Donagh Parish, which includes Glaslough, 18 work exclusively on projects in the Emyvale area, including:

- Leisure Centre 4
- Parish Sports Field (Glaslough Harriers) -1
- Emyvale GAA 4
- Emyvale Tidy Towns 4
- Donagh Development (Emy Lough) 2
- Donagh Parish (Corractin) 2
- Emyvale Seniors 1

Attractions & Amenities

There is a children's **playground** in the village, beside the Cois Locha housing development.

There is a **community garden** opposite the Silver Hill Farm shop. This is owned and managed by the farm shop.

Emy Lough

The main amenity in Emyvale is **Emy Lough**, which lies some 2km outside the village on the road to Glaslough and has been used as a local amenity spot for fishing and bathing from as far back as the 1930's. Donagh Development Group has developed a 4km walk along the lakeside, and it is a popular venue for picnics, as well as with bathers in good weather.

There are plans to develop the amenity further, to include improved bathing amenities.

Fishing

Emy and District Anglers Ltd manage the fishing on Emy Lough in conjunction with Inlands Fisheries Ireland. Emy Lake is a stocked fishery and is supplemented with some 3,000 Rainbow Trout every year up to 6lbs in weight. The fish are free rising and competent anglers enjoy excellent fishing even in difficult conditions.

Festivals

Emy Belles have hosted a Street Feast event for the past two years. This is the nearest the village has to a community get-together. It is a very small scale event at present, but has the potential to grow.

Environment

The landscape of the area is typified by rolling drumlins, offering spectacular views across the hills, with pockets of wetlands and small lakes laced in between. Outside of Emyvale the area is very rural, and agriculture – mainly dairy and beef farming – is the predominant feature. Fields are typically bordered by whitethorn hedges, and these are the typical boundary along the roads through the area, including on the approaches to Emyvale.

Transport

Travel in Co. Monaghan is by road network, and thus there is a heavy reliance on the private motor car.

There are a number of bus services which pass through the village on a daily basis. There is a public bus stop on Main St. However, the lack of a bus shelter or seating at the bus stop has been an issue which has been raised consistently by the community.

Cavan Monaghan Transport Co-Ordination Unit (CMTCU) operates two routes which pass through Emyvale. On Wednesdays, a bus departs from Emyvale at 10am for Monaghan town, passing through Glaslough en route. It returns at 1pm. ON Fridays,

a bus departs from Tydavnet at 9am and travels north through Braga and Clara before arriving in Emyvale and then travelling onwards to Monaghan. It returns at 1pm also.

3. Area Character Assessment

The surrounding countryside is characterised by the rolling drumlins for which Co. Monaghan is famous. Emy Lough, one of the county's largest lakes, lies just to the east of the village, connected to the Sliabh Beagh uplands area by the Mountain Water river, which flows through Emyvale and adds greatly to the amenity of the village.

The village of Emyvale is bisected by the N2 national route, which runs through Main St. The heavy traffic on Main St has had a detrimental effect on the village over the years, preventing it from enjoying the tranquility one would expect a settlement of this size to enjoy. Instead, the centre of the community is plagued with an unending stream of vehicles, many of which are HGV and a tight fit through the street.

The need to facilitate the efficient flow of traffic through Main St has taken priority over aesthetic considerations, and the streetscape has suffered for it. The street is devoid of plant life and lacks a focal point. The buildings are mismatched, and lack continuity. Unusual for an urban streetscape, there are several points on Main St occupied by residences set back from the street, which breaks the line of the buildings. This has created a lack of 'flow' through the street. In a well-designed urban streetscape, adjacent buildings relate to each other, but in Emyvale, it's as if neighbouring buildings have nothing to do with one another. The result is a disjointed row of mismatched styles and a village without a central focus point.

The arrival into the village from all directions is understated. There is little ribbon development, which is a good thing. However, as the speed limit on the N2 is 100kmph, the effect is that the village 'arrives on you' very quickly, with little in the way of announcement. This may be contributing to the lack of consideration that traffic passing through tends to show the village residents; speeding is a regular hazard in the village and crossing the street can be very difficult for local residents. There have also been crashes in the past, due to a failure to reduce speed sufficiently when approaching from the north.

The ever-present traffic passing through Main St has a hugely detrimental effect on the fabric of the village, overshadowing every aspect of daily life for the residents. It has made it impossible to create a physical centre to the village, such as one would expect to find in a community of this size. It has also had a psychological effect, serving to give many new arrivals to the community the impression that the village is a place of transition, rather than a place to put down roots. This may have made it difficult to encourage some new residents to get involved in local community life.

4. SWOT Analysis

Every community, and every place, has things which give it an advantage over its neighbours, and maybe a few things that are still a work in progress. Arranging the key attributes of an area under the headings of 'strength, weakness, opportunity, threat' can help a community to decide how to harness the assets and tools it has at its disposal, and to get the best from them.

We have prepared a draft SWOT analysis for Emyvale. This will be further developed at the public consultation workshop at which this draft document will be presented.

Strengths

- The village is large enough to support shops, pubs, hairdressers, butchers, providing a good range of produce and services locally
- A history of community development in the village
- A long established Leisure Centre, which is debt free
- An active, keen Tidy Towns group
- Good clubs and activities
- Emy lough amenity
- Strong CE scheme

Opportunities

- Increased engagement with new communities into community life
- Opportunity to develop a 'brand' or theme for the area
- Emyvale.net has potential to be a communication hub for the community
- Bring back 'Emyvale Fair' festival
- The imminent construction of a bypass for the N2 will reduce the amount of traffic on Main St, particularly of HGV's, enabling it to be redesigned with pedestrians and local traffic in mind
- A pilot 'sports hub' operated in the village by Monaghan Sports Partnership offers the potential to build further activities aimed at encouraging people to get more active more often

Weaknesses

- Broken-up streetscape of Main St
- Heavy traffic from N2
- Few public spaces in the community
- Few public events during the year, where the community comes together

Threats

- Failure to integrate new communities to include them in community life
- Important to continue to strengthen cross community bonds, as well as reach out to new arrivals failure to do so will lead to a breakdown in community spirit
- Low usage of the sports hub may lead to a discontinuation of funding and the loss of this initiative to the area

5. Community Views

We invited the people of Emyvale to give their views through a Community Survey in April/May 2018. This helped us to see the area through your eyes, both the good and the bad, and to understand what your needs and wishes are for the future development of the area.

The first thing we noted about conducting this survey is how difficult it was to get you to engage with us. We had surveys on Facebook. We left surveys in shops, in the Leisure Centre, in Silver Hill and in the local restaurant/takeaway but only 3.5% of the people of Emyvale took the time to respond.

We were conducting three other Community Surveys in different parts of the county at the same time as the survey in Emyvale. While we received roughly the same % response rate to our survey in each of the other communities, the response rate we received in Emyvale was considerably lower. From some of the comments we received, we worry that it is a sign of a significant number of people in your village becoming disconnected from community life.

In summary, you told us:

- Life in Emyvale is good but could be better. You gave it a 6.5 out of 10
- You liked the friendliness of the people best, but you said that there are a lot of new people in the village now, and that you haven't got to know them
- You liked the shops
- You love Emy Lough, and would like to see it better connected to the village
- You think it is a well-kept, clean village

What you don't like:

- The traffic. You said this A LOT!

"nonstop speeding traffic"

"large lorries driving through main village road."

"Volume of through traffic, i.e. heavy Lorries and restricted parking facilities."

"Traffic congestion with large lorries etc especially on Fridays"

"Heavy traffic in Main Street. Speeding. Parking on the footpath and even driving along it!" "Very dangerous for locals and visitors. Commuter cars parked on street all day in places."

- You also felt that the area lacked things to do, especially for young people. You wanted to see new activities, and more choice in the leisure centre.

"Renovate community centre upstairs, not done for 35 years. Stage not fit for our shows as no sound or lighting equipment Most of the seats are ancient and need replacing"

- "The leisure centre should always be open to the public, as in Emyvale there is nowhere for young people to hang out. Like in Scotstown you're allowed into their leisure centre if you want"
- "Community centre needs to be more readily available"
- "Leisure centre needs an overall face lift, it needs to be happy looking"
- "Leisure Centre: -VERY hard to contact committee -Limited uses -Committee not open to new ideas"
- Some felt that the activities that are available need shaking up, with a new programme which appeals to a wider cohort of people needed.
- Many expressed concerns about the appearance of the village:
 - "Appearance of certain buildings"
 - "the look of the town has gone downhill very much"
 - "road surfaces / footpaths in places are poor."
 - "Bridge and River area needs enhancements"
 - "Need more colour on Main Street "
 - "Glaslough road dirty looking same goes for council yard beside parish field terrible looking"
 - "The bridge needs to be less concrete looking. Silverhill corner needs brightening up."
- Some felt that the community spirit wasn't as strong as it once was:
 - "losing its spirit"
 - "Community Spirit diminishing"
 - "community groups don't talk among one another"

We asked you what you thought was missing from life in Emyvale. You said:

- Off-road parking
- More family-based activities
- Somewhere for young people to go
- A bus shelter & daily service to Monaghan town
- An upgrading of the Leisure Centre
- More social events and community gatherings
- More activities to encourage integration of new residents
- A quiet public park
- A bypass less traffic through Main St so local residents can reclaim the village
- Local pride in the village

Only 40% of respondents to our survey said they felt 'connected' to the community, with half of you saying you felt only 'a little connected'. 10% of you didn't feel connected at all to local community life. It is clear that there is work to be done in promoting a sense of community spirit in Emyvale.

The good news is that you wanted to feel more connected to your community, and had lots of ideas about how to do this:

- "Bring people together festival"
- "Extend the community invitation to Emyvale rural dwellers"
- "yearly festival would help. Bring back the Fair of Emyvale festival!"
- "What about a local directory of clubs, groups, courses..?"
- "Annual sports day, like years ago."
- "Drop in coffee hour. More activities for older age groups in the mornings"

There were some words of wisdom for those currently serving on committees around the village:

"the community would need a better sense of togetherness, more groups working together and the removal of barriers that have developed over the years"

- "Co-ordination of existing activity"
- "Get younger generation involved with groups, not just the same old faces in all the committees for years".
- "Older people to include us more in things and let us voice our own opinions also. Let us join committees."

People wish to help. Let them!

So, let's try and bring as much of this to life as we can. Our Community Plan for Emyvale focuses on:

- **Improving the physical space**, to make Emyvale a more visually appealing village, with more public spaces and safer streets
- **Providing more activities and services** in the village, upgrading the community facilities in which these happen, and getting more people to use them
- **Encouraging people to get involved** in their community, so that there are more people volunteering and more groups active in the village
- **Building opportunities for the community to come together** as often as possible, so that the people of the area can strengthen their connection to each other, building up community spirit across the entire community in general.

Turning Views into a Vision

The people of Emyvale have spoken. You have said what you like about your community and about the area. You have spoken about what you think is missing, and what would make Emyvale an even better place to live. So, let's try and bring as much of this to life as we can.

The next section of this document puts forward a Vision for what Emyvale might become if we all put our shoulder to the wheel and worked together to make it a

place which is welcoming and supportive. It includes a number of projects which we think will help to get us there. Some of these can be done by people in the community; some will need a little help from the County Council to get across the line. By working together, we'll get there.

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6. A Vision of the Future

A 'vision' is a picture that the community creates in its head of the end result of its efforts. It describes what Emyvale will look like at a specified time in the future –say in ten years' time - after all the hard work has paid off, and the various initiatives have been put in place to create the 'Ideal Emyvale'.

A Vision for Emyvale in 2028:

"Everybody feels welcome in Emyvale, and everyone has a part to play in the community. There is always something going on, and nobody is left out, young or old.

The village is well kept, and benefits from community spaces which encourage residents and visitors alike to spend time in the village. The community buildings are up-to-date, well-used hubs of community life, where people come together for organised social gatherings, as well as for informal drop-ins, training events and to access a range of services.

The community has an excellent communication network, backed up by a programme of events and activities which helps to keep this community closely connected, and ensures that the needs of the people are identified and acted upon, thereby ensuring this community will remain strong and successful for many years to come."

There are four key elements to this Vision:

- 1. The **physical appearance** of the area
- 2. The activities & amenities which are built up within the area

- 3. The **connections** which are made and maintained by the people of the area. This involves keeping people informed, giving them roles, including them in committees, and facilitating new initiatives to grow.
- 4. **Building community spirit**, so that everyone feels equally welcome and knows how they can contribute best to their community. This includes selling the concept of 'community' to those who may not yet have embraced what it has to offer, as well as creating opportunities for people to become involved in volunteering, and for them to give their feedback in a way that ensures it will be heard.

7. Main Strategies & Priorities

Addressing the Physical Appearance of the Village

The issues

The overall streetscape of the village is very 'hard', with little natural planting. The buildings also tend towards grey and beige on the colour spectrum, lending to the feeling of hardness.

The biggest problem that the village has though, is the lack of 'flow' to Main St. The building line is very broken up, with some buildings set back off the street, some low boundary walls, others high, and a mixture of architectural styles and finishes.

There are few places for people to pause in the village, to sit and watch the world go by, to meet with neighbours, hear today's news, discuss the football and the state of the roads.... Places such as village greens or squares play an important role in the social fabric of a village. They provide a space for people to 'rub together', to at least know one another exists, so that the journey towards no longer being strangers can commence.

Road safety is a major concern on Main St, arising from the volume of traffic through the village on the N2. In addition to the volume of traffic, driver behaviour affects the safety of residents with speeding, lack of courtesy to local traffic trying to park/pull out, and pedestrians trying to cross the road all issues which were repeatedly flagged in our community survey.

The Proposals

It is proposed to engage the services of an artist/ architect team to devise a solution to the broken streetscape. It is envisaged that this may involve elements such as planting, screening, some matching of themes/ motifs used elsewhere in the village in order to create a sense of continuity, and perhaps a more colourful painting scheme for the village.

It is also proposed to create welcome features for the area and install these at entrance points and at the centre of Emyvale. Whilst the features will serve to create an identity or brand for the village, which will help to promote local pride, they will also perform an important road safety function, in that they will alert road users that they are entering a built-up area, and clearly demarcate the rural environment, with its 100kmph speed limit from the 50kmph zone of the village. The features might draw from the heritage of the area, e.g. Emy Lough, the furniture trade, the McKenna Clan, Silver Hill Farm Foods.

The process of developing the theme for these features might in itself be used as a tool to promote community spirit, perhaps by way of running a local competition, with the winner to be selected by public consultation. This would ensure that the winning theme is the one which has the most widespread support.

We propose to 'green' Main St. and create some vertical height by planting trees along the street. This will need careful planning, to avoid losing car parking spaces, and will be done in consultation with residents.

A lot of the issues around traffic are related to the busy national primary route which runs through the heart of the village. Plans are at an advanced stage to construct a by-pass of the village, thus taking the bulk of this traffic away from the village altogether. This will relieve the pressure on the village, slow down the traffic, and make Main St a less intimidating environment to be. It will also remove many of the development restrictions which are currently placed on the route due to its status as a national primary route, and make it possible to design in traffic calming measures, introduce more pedestrian crossings etc. to give pedestrians priority over vehicular traffic in the village centre. This change in emphasis in the purpose of the village centre (ie from 'a linear space which must be negotiated in order to pass through as part of a long journey', to 'the space at the centre of a community') will also enable us to reimagine how it looks and functions for the people of the area, putting their needs above the needs of those who wish to get through the village as quickly as possible.

One step towards this 're-imagining' will be the creation of a 'plaza' or community space where the people of Emyvale can gather to see who's about, catch up on news etc. It will act as a hub for Main Street and will be located in front of the Leisure Centre. It is proposed to leave this space open to the street, but to provide a canopy to protect users from the Irish weather. The area underneath will feature a mix of seating and planting and will serve to draw the eye towards the Leisure Centre, which as it is set in from the roadside, is presently disconnected from the street.

As the Bus Eireann bus stop for the village is located on the footpath immediately in front of this point, the seating and canopy will also provide shelter for those waiting for bus services. The pavements are too narrow to accommodate bus shelters out on the pavements, but this option provides a workable solution, which has added benefit to the community into the bargain.



The Leisure Centre, showing Bus Eireann bus stop to the roadside



Proposed plaza and shelter, to incorporate bus stop. Design of shelter provides a visual connection between the leisure centre building and Main Street



Improving Community Amenities & Activities

Upgrading Existing Facilities at Community Centre

Over time, any building will age and be overtaken by improved standards and rising expectations. These days, the public make no allowances for the fact that a facility is being run by volunteers; they expect the same level of comfort and range of service as they can get in a commercially-run facility and will vote with their feet if they receive anything less. If a community centre fails to keep improving both the building and the services and activities on offer, it will not keep pace with developments in the private sector and will slowly lose its relevance and its place at the heart of community activity.

It is heartening, therefore, to see the current upgrade works being undertaken at the Leisure Centre. We would encourage more work to be done, and for this to be undertaken in consultation with the users and the wider community, to ensure priority is given to the right amenities, and also to encourage more people to get involved in the work.

It is time to examine the facilities within the centre, whether each is being used to its full potential, and realign the facilities with the Needs the community asks the Centre to fulfil. Key amongst these needs are:

- A place for young people to hang out socially
- English language classes
- A place for the people who are renting accommodation locally to mix with the longer-term residents, and become integrated into the community
- Supports to parents & toddlers
- Activities for older people

Raising the level of comfort and re-organising the building so that at least a section of the premises can be open for most of the day, allowing it to be used as a social hub for the community, should take priority.

Youth Facilities

If space cannot be made in the Leisure Centre, an audit of other local community buildings should be carried out to identify if any has a suitable room which could be set aside for the dedicated use of young people as a 'hang-out zone'. Once a suitable location has been identified, consultation with young people to take place on the design of the facility and the services to be offered. Funding to be sought based on the outcome of the consultation.

One way or another, the young people of Emyvale need a dedicated space to call their own. They also need to be given responsibility for this space and should be given a say over both its design and décor, and ultimately the management of the space once up and running.

Access to Sports Facilities

People are becoming very aware of the important role that exercise plays in staying healthy in both mind and body. Emyvale is very lucky to have a sports field right in the village, and that there is a running track already developed around its perimeter. However, at present, some may not be aware that the field belongs to the parish and more could be done to promote it as a community facility for the benefit all.

While there will be insurance issues to be overcome, we urge the clubs concerned to find a way to make this amenity a whole-community facility once again. The amenity could be further developed to include an outdoor gym, with items of fitness equipment set in at intervals around the edge of the athletics track, so that walkers might use the track during the winter and get additional benefit from the gym equipment.

Playground Extension

The playground beside Cois Locha housing estate is in good repair. The formal equipment is set in a larger mown area, which offers some potential for further development of a natural play space. This could be explored with local parents and children. Some car parking and signage to be added to the playground, to clarify that it is an all-village facility, and not just for the immediate locale.

Creation of a Community Park

The open grassed area beside the playground at Cois Locha is meant to provide a public park amenity to the village. It is underused at present, partly due to the fact that to access it, residents must pass through the housing estate.

There is a short distance between the top right corner of the park and Main St, as the crow flies. There is potential for the Council and community to work together to find a way to create a pedestrian access point from Main St. to the Park, and open up this amenity.

Adult gym equipment, seating, planting and other features could be added to develop the amenity of this space.

Enhancing Services and Activities

Rural Transport

48 households in Emyvale have no car. A further 132 households are dependent on one car, meaning that while one person is away with the car – perhaps away at work all day – everyone else in the house may be stuck at home for long periods of time. This equates to 68% of households in Emyvale having potential transportation problems on a regular basis. Being able to get about easily and therefore being able to access services, socialise, etc has a huge impact on a person's quality of life and on their wellbeing, and therefore it is a priority in our Community Plan.

We will flag this issue up with Cavan Monaghan Transport Co-Ordination Unit and ask them to investigate the feasibility of providing a daily Local Link service to connect the people of Emyvale to Monaghan town.

Community Alert

Property Marking events to be carried out in the community, availing of Monaghan County Council's free property marking scheme.

A new drive to be carried out to connect people in the village into the new county-wide community text alert scheme to be launched in early 2019 by Monaghan County Council.

Come & Try It

To encourage more people to try more things, and also to see what activities might do well without taking on a huge commitment, we suggest organising a 'Come and Try it' series.

The idea is to set aside a set number of weeks and run different activities on the same night of the week each week. So, say on a Tuesday night at 7pm for 8 weeks. Each night would offer a completely different activity, the idea being that it gives you a taster of what the activity is like, without you having to commit to signing up to anything longer. People are more likely to go along and give yoga a try, for example, if they're not worried that they'll not be insulting anyone or letting anyone down if they decide it's not for them and don't want to go back.

The concept can work well for the individuals, as they can discover new hobbies, make new friends, etc. But it also works well for the venue, as they can poll those who attend and see which activities would attract interest if they were to run them on a regular basis. This reduces the financial risk for the centre.

English Language Classes

The Census 2016 results showed a need for English language support in the village. This might be provided in collaboration with local workplaces. Cavan Monaghan Education & Training Board, Monaghan Integrated Development and Fáilte Isteach all offer supports which may be of assistance.

Improving Community Connectivity

Community Council

In order to aid communication between all the various committees in the village, and to provide a mechanism for running events which involve all the groups together, we suggest that a Community Council be formed.

Each group active in the community will be given one seat on the Community Council (CC). Also to be given a seat will be Silver Hill's health workplace committee, to aid them in co-ordinating their activities with the wider community.

The CC's first task will be to agree the Community Plan and set the Priorities from the Plan. Thereafter, it will arrange to meet with Monaghan County Council to discuss progress on the Plan and plan the next steps.

The CC would also be ideally placed to pull together initiatives which will take the cooperation of all groups to achieve, such as re-instating the Fair Day, or running the Community Noticeboards.

Collective Fundraising

To assist the community overall, and give it control of its own destiny, we suggest that it starts to fundraise for the future development of the village. A couple of high profile fundraising initiatives should be undertaken on a collaborative basis, and the proceeds then distributed on an agreed basis, as per how the community votes at an annual event. Every year, the community should decide what the priorities will be for next year, and what funds should be allocated to each project.

Community Noticeboards



A network of digital noticeboards, linked and managed via the internet, would be a great investment. promote events and activities and encourage people to come along. They could also be used to reach those who do not step inside the community buildings, helping to connect with those who are not currently engaging in community life. They also provide an invaluable way of putting across a sense of the community's character, and creating a sense of messages togetherness, by posting of support, congratulations, condolence etc. As the software allows for screens to display multiple images and text simultaneously,

they can be customised to enable local advertising and sponsorship, and thus can become self-sustaining.

We suggest that a screen is required internally at the leisure centre and also externally, on the street to the front of the building, in order to advertise what is happening inside to those who may not be regular users of the centre. We also suggest a screen in the canteen of Silver Hill Foods, in the doctor's surgery, and at the busiest entry point to the village.



Emyvale.net

The concept of all clubs and facilities using one central online location to post their news to is a sound one, and we think that the good work begun with Emyvale.net should be built upon.

We suggest that the website expand its content to not only feature news, but to carry details of upcoming events and activities in the Emyvale area, as well as information on how bookings can be made.

Rather than leaving the management of such an onerous enterprise to one person, as is the present arrangement, we suggest that the expanded site be migrated onto a 'Wordpress' platform, so that someone from each club/ amenity can be given 'contributor' status to the site and can start to post information to it.

The only way a website will be kept up to date is if it is very quick and easy to do so, so the new format will enable contributors to upload content from their phones by the click of a button, ensuring that content is always up to the minute.

It will enable clubs and committees to be contactable much more easily, and quickly, also, and thus significantly improve one of the biggest barriers to participation in local activities which was expressed in the community survey last spring.

Building Community Spirit

There are a lot of people living in Emyvale who are new to the area; they need to be made feel welcome. Half the people living in Emyvale live in rented accommodation; how might this change their lifestyle, and how might the community support these people through providing services, activities and amenities?

Hubs of community life such as the Leisure Centre are crucial contact points for many newcomers to the area, and should carry information on all the local services as well as citizens information. English language classes and intercultural events which help to promote a local welcome to new cultures should also be encouraged.

Community Festival

We think two 'come together' events per year are needed, in order to support the work of the community to strengthen the bonds of friendship and co-operation which have been at the heart of Emyvale for many years.

So, we suggest that the community runs two events per year aimed at drawing in the whole community. The first, which will run in the summer, should promote the concept of community and let people know what is on offer in Emyvale. Almost 30% of the people living in Emyvale did not have the privilege of growing up in this special community, so it is up to the people of Emyvale to tell them – and in the process, remind ourselves – what it means to be from Emyvale, and what makes the village special. This is an opportunity to tell newcomers about the values of neighbourliness, of helping out, of joining in. It's also an opportunity to tell them about all that is going on, and to let them know that they are welcome - both as users or participants, and as people who wish to organise/ have a say/ serve on committees.

Strong communities come together often, and we need to create those opportunities. You told us that you miss the old Emyvale Fair Day. We recommend that an event of that nature be re-instated; a family day, with a bit of craic, food and music, and which may even raise a bit of money towards the next community project.

This annual event will also serve as a 'community check-in' event, where all the community groups could take a stand and showcase their activities, encouraging new people to sign up. The event might also provide us with an opportunity to ask the community for feedback on how we're doing with our goal of improving life in Emyvale, and keeping an eye out for emerging needs (all communities are constantly evolving, so it's good to have a way of keeping tabs on that).

It could also be used as a community consultation event, to select the projects which are to be pursued during the upcoming year, and how much money is to be spent on each, with those in attendance voting for projects to be awarded a proportion of the funds raised from the event.

The second event should be all about building friendships and giving thanks. It should be about celebrating what we have achieved together during the year and thanking those who helped us to do it – the volunteers. What better time to celebrate friendship and the value of creating bonds and helping each other than at Christmas?

Perhaps we may have run competitions during the year to help motivate volunteers, and we may have a fun awards ceremony now to add to the occasion, with awards for things like 'biggest splash while cleaning the river', or 'most laps of Emy Lough with a litter picker'.

Pulling Together

We heard from many sources during the consultation phase of this project, 'it's all left to a few people to do'. Sometimes, people simply don't realise that their help is needed, and would be more than willing to give a few hours if asked.

We suggest that everyone in the community be asked, as part of the process of committing to this Development Plan, to sign a Pledge of Support stating that they are committing to playing their part to making Emyvale the best it can be.

This should be followed up with a list of groups looking for help and a list of activities which need help to get organised.

A 'Give your Community 10-minutes a Month' notice board could be started in the Leisure Centre where groups needing a particular task done can post it up and ask for support from a member of the community. This initiative could also be run through the Emyvale.net website and calls for help with various tasks could be featured on the digital noticeboards from time to time. A link-up with Monaghan Volunteer Centre will assist in getting this initiative started.

The Main Objectives Behind the Priority Themes

Addressing Isolation

The research has shown that for many reasons, there are many people in the community who are at risk of becoming isolated, be it because they live alone, or they are newly arrived to the area, or they have small children and can't get out much, or they are disabled, or they have no transport or no internet access.

Councils and community groups working together can be very good at addressing causes of isolation, through the provision of services, the development of amenities, and the running of activities such as fun days, evening classes etc.

A number of actions are proposed for Emyvale, including the creation of a mini plaza in front of the Leisure Centre, to encourage people to spend time hanging out in the village centre, and the creation of an annual family festival, to enable people to celebrate together and strengthen community connections.

Involvement in community activities can be difficult when you don't know many people; it can be intimidating to step into a gathering where you're the only person who seems to not know everyone there. Clubs need to be mindful of this and find innovative ways of providing a less 'closed' face to those who may not have the confidence to approach them. Could you introduce a 'newbies' day into your calendar of events, for example?

Welcoming New Communities

29.5% of the people living in Emyvale in 2016 were not born in Ireland. 20% are Lithuanian. That's a lot of people, a long way from home. 50 people told the 2016 Census that they couldn't speak English well, and 10 said they couldn't speak it at all. How isolated must they be! What can the people of Emyvale do to help?

This Plan is about reaching out and ensuring that the amenities and activities of the village are as accessible as possible to everyone. Little things make a big difference, like adding words of welcome in Lithuanian above a doorway.

The important thing is to build, and to keep building. Persist and be consistent in your persistence. Don't stop. Keep at it. They will come.

An old piece of marketing research comes to mind. Researchers discovered that for every nine times a business places an advertisement, their prospective customer sees it once. And the prospective customer needs to see your message five times before he actually thinks to himself 'You know, I hear about those guys a lot. They must be good. I'll give them a go.' So, to convert a prospect into a customer takes 9x5= 45 adverts. Here's an important thing they also discovered: if you get discouraged at advert 44, and stop advertising, the door never opens – the prospect never converts into a sale!

The message is place your message as often as you can, and never, ever stop!

Promotion of Community Spirit & Pride

Giving the community – young and old, newly arrived and lifelong residents alike – a Community Plan to get behind, to sign up to, and to play an active role in delivering, gives everyone a chance to be a part of a fresh start for Emyvale. Everyone will be asked to identify what part they play, and what gifts they bring to the community, and to pledge '10 Minutes a Month', where they put something back into their community.

Two Reward Events will be introduced, to motivate and thank those who volunteer in whatever capacity throughout the community. One event will happen during the summer and will double as a family fun day and 'how are we doing' consultation event. The other will happen at Christmas, where the theme will be celebration and thanking the volunteers for their contribution during the year.

Sensitive Development & Promotion of Local Heritage

The community is situated in an ancient pocket of the county and has much heritage to be explored. The Plan includes actions which will promote the area's heritage and make it more accessible for visitors. This will also help to generate local pride in the area.

8. The Actions & Actors

The table below outlines the wider suite of projects and activities which have been suggested by you, each of which will play a place in achieving the Vision we've set out for Emyvale.

We find that unless a task is assigned to someone, it doesn't get done, and unless you give that task a deadline, it never moves forward. So, against each Action, we have listed the organisation/s which need to take the initiative to make that project happen, and an indicative cost and timescale for delivering the action where possible.

These Actions, Costs and Timeframes are for guidance only. Plans work best when they stay flexible and respond as local circumstances change. This is why we recommend that the community comes together once a year to review how things are going and see if it's priorities remain the same.

When prioritising projects, as a community, we recommend that the following criteria be used, in determining how one project is given priority over another on the list:

their potential to impact on a large number of people

- their potential to have far-reaching impact through facilitating people accessing personal development opportunities
- their potential to improve the quality of life for people in the community through improved services, access to opportunities etc

Only the people of Emyvale will know the right balance of projects to meet their needs.

Project Detail	Who	How
Leisure Centre upgrades:		
- Provide dedicated youth space		
 Leave at least part of the building open all day to serve as a social hub 		
- Install community notice boards		
- install community notice boards	Leisure Centre committee	Re-organise internal space to make best use
Development of mini-plaza to front, to create outdoor		
community space for the village & bus shelter to the street in front of the leisure centre	Managhan County Council	
New services within Leisure Centre:	Monaghan County Council	Does the CE scheme need to take up prime space to
- Drop in coffee/ social hub		roadside? These rooms are the ideal space for youth
- Community library/ book exchange		rooms
- Wifi	Leisure Centre committee	CE scheme could move to rear of building perhaps?
		One seat per group on the Community Council. Draft
	All local groups, with support	a Memorandum of Understanding & a Terms of
Set up Community Council	from Monaghan County Council	Reference.
Develop two Festivals involving all local groups		
- Emyvale Fair		All groups to pull together to organise.
- Christmas Thanks	New Community Council	New events committee to be set up
		Engage architect to help blend Main St's many
Carry out streetscaping improvements		elements together into a harmonious whole
- 'green' the street		Prepare work plan breaking architect's
- Traffic calming measures		recommendations down into actions which can be
- Extend the 'presence' of the village outwards, to	Managhan County Council	implemented by Tidy Towns, County Council, and
encourage traffic to slow earlier, through use of more visual clues such as welcome features	Monaghan County Council, Emyvale Tidy Towns	local premises owners
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Create mini plaza in front of Leisure Centre	Monaghan County Council/ Leisure Centre	Leisure Centre to lease to MCC. MCC to design & construct
Install Digital Noticeboards at key locations & use to promote community activity	Emyvale Development/ Emyvale Tidy Towns	
Develop Emyvale.net to become activity portal as well as news site	Emyvale Development & all groups	
Implement regular 'Come & Try It' events, to encourage new people to come along, and to increase the range of activities on offer locally	All groups, Leisure Centre	
Organise English Language classes, in co-operation with local employers	Monaghan Integrated Development, ETB, Failte Isteach	
Investigate feasibility of daily bus service to Monaghan town	Monaghan County Council	MCC to contact Local Link
Upgrade the playground	Monaghan County Council	
Provide a safe walking/ cycling link to Emy Lough and Emyvale GFC grounds	Monaghan County Council	
Enhance sports facilities and provide all-community access to the Parish Field	Glaslough Harriers and Emyvale GFC	
Develop a 'brand' for the village, based on its heritage, to promote local pride	Monaghan County Council, Emyvale Tidy Towns	Carry out public consultation for ideas. Commission an artist to work with local children on theme. Develop theme. Commission final brand

Create a pedestrian link to park in Cois Locha & upgrade		
community park	Monaghan County Council	

9. Making it Happen

To transform any Community Plan from a document into a reality needs three key ingredients:

1: Commitment from the Community

2: A Process/ Structure which enables everyone to play their part

3: Resources

We would like to energise the whole community behind this Plan and use it to get people who are not yet active in community life to come out and find out more about the benefits that being more closely connected to the community brings.

We propose to use the adoption of this Plan as an opportunity to ask people for a formal commitment to their community. This presents everyone with an opportunity for a fresh start and to travel forward together in building the Emyvale they wish to share.

To help give this new approach the shape and structure it will need, we propose a new Community Council be put in place, facilitate communication between the many groups in the area. The Community Council will work to co-ordinate the efforts of all, for the overall benefit of the area rather than the good of any one organisation. It will also seek to address gaps, get new activities going etc if there is an agreed need. It will also meet with the County Council to review progress and address any barriers. And critically, it will develop and run a fundraising initiative which will provide the community with the means to finance its projects going forward.

We propose the following simple steps to ensuring there is follow-through on this Plan:

1. A Community Launch for this Plan

At the launch, the concept of every person signing up to playing their part in community life will be launched, and the '10 minutes a Month' volunteer campaign launched. Also on offer will be volunteering opportunities with existing and new organisations in the community.

Opportunities will include;

- To create and maintain an all-community Emyvale web presence
- To plan and promote the 'Come and Try It' activities
- To get the '10 Minutes a Month' volunteering scheme off the ground
- To plan the first Community Reward Night

2. First meeting of Community Council

The business of the meeting will be:

- to agree a Terms of Reference
- to lay out a Workplan for Year 1
- to set up a Fundraising system

3. Meet with Monaghan County Council

This meeting will take first place six months after the Community Council is formed, then annually after this. The purpose of the meeting will be to review progress on the Plan and discuss how the Council can assist the community.

4. Agree when the first Community Feedback Event will be

There are two Feedback Events designed into the Plan – a summer one and a winter one. As well as being designed as opportunities to celebrate together as a community and build community links and raise local morale, they provide an opportunity to update everyone on progress, which is critical to maintaining public support.

Monaghan County Council will cover the cost of a Facilitator to organise the first twelve months' set up of the implementation phase of the Plan, to help get the process off to a smooth start.

5. Review progress and adjust the Plan

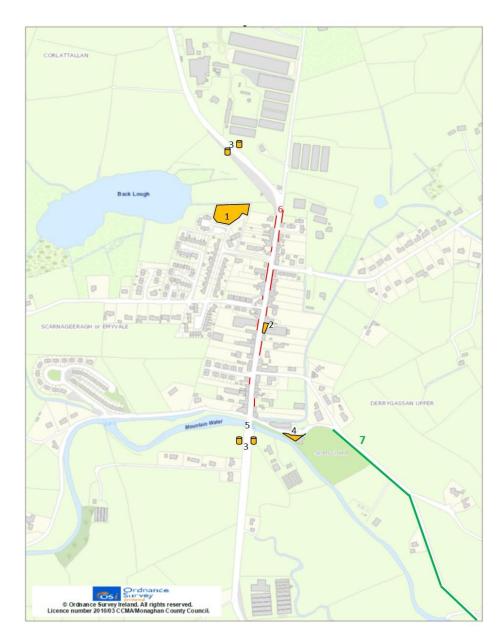
As with everything in life, not everything will work out exactly as planned, but the odds are better with a plan than without one, and so we plan! And because we know things will change along we way, we build into the Plan a review, so that we come together again on a regular basis to look at progress, learn from what is going well – and what isn't – and adjust the Plan accordingly.

This is a vital part of making sure things happen. If nobody is going to be asking you for your homework, is there any need to do it at all....? Monaghan County Council will meet with Emyvale Community Council to review progress on this Community Plan every three years.

Following each review meeting, we will release a short newsletter to the community to give you an update of how the Plan is progressing, who is doing what, where the hold-ups are and what is being done about them.

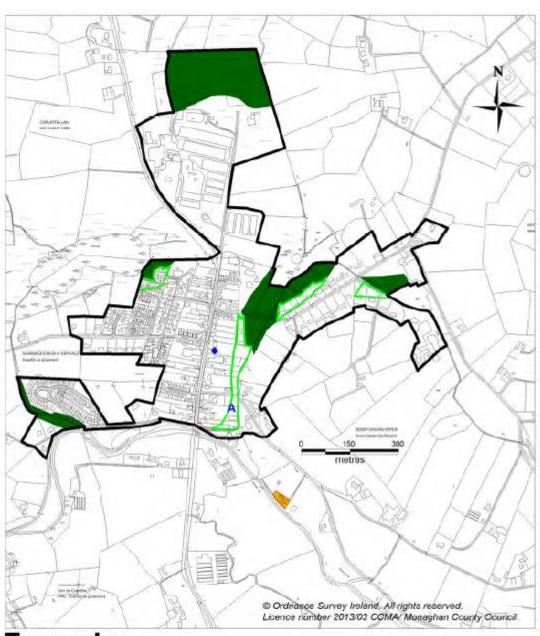
Appendix A: MAPS

Main Infrastructure Projects proposed in Community Plan



- 1. Improve Playground & extend to create community park
- 2. Create Mini Plaza in front of Leisure Centre to create 'Hub' for community to gather
- 3. Branded 'Welcome' features at approaches to village
- 4. Improved parking & access to parish sports field
- 5. Redesign of bridge to create more character & appropriate scale for the village
- 6. Streetscaping scheme to address gapping in lines of buildings on Main St, create colour and vertical scale
- 7. Pedestrian link to Emy Lough looped walk

Map of Emyvale from Monaghan County Development Plan, showing Development Envelope of the village



Emyvale

Monaghan County Development Plan 2013-2019



Development Constraints - EMYVALE

(A) Magee Meats (Protected Structure)

Appendix B: Protection Accorded to sites under the

Monaghan County Development Plan 2013-2019

List of Protected Structures

Structures listed in Monaghan County Development Plan as Protected, with National or Regional Importance are:

None

Structures recorded as being of Local Importance and given Protected status under the Plan:

• Magee Meats, Main St.

Special Protection Areas in the vicinity of Emyvale village:

Bragan Mountain – habitat protected for: Hen Harrier

Areas of Secondary Amenity in the vicinity of Emyvale village:

- Emy Lough & Environs
- Mountain Water River Valley

Scenic Views

Scenic Drives/Views & Prospects	Road Name
Scenic views along Emy	LT12001
Lough	LT12002
Scenic views of open countryside from Bragan Mountain	LT11354
	LT11355
	LT11356
	LT50411
	LT10011
	LS05040
	LP01003

Proposed National Heritage Area:

Emy Lough - Foremost wintering area for greylag goose in the county

Appendix C: Draft Plan Feedback Form



Community Dept

PUBLIC FEEDBACK SECTION

Emyvale

COMMUNITY PLAN

DRAFT PLAN - November 2018

Thank you for taking the time to review this document. We hope that you found much
to like in it. Please let us know how the Plan can be further improved upon, by filling
out the form below and returning it before the 18th January 2019 to either of the
following:

Box provided in

Mona The G Mona		Emyvale Leisure Cei	ntre
You	can also fill out the survey o	online by following this linl	κ:
Q1. that s	Have we got the best pr should be added or taken		in? Please tell us about any
Q2.	Do you have any other io	deas which you wish to se	ee included in the Plan?

Q3.	Do you	support the idea of developing a theme or brand for the area?
	Yes	
	No	
If you	wish to p	propose an idea for the theme, please give details here:

Q4. What are your thoughts on the following ideas which are proposed in the Plan?

(please tick one box for each project)

	Don't like it	No opinion	In favour of it
Dedicated youth space in leisure			
centre			
Create a coffee/ Social hub to			
encourage people to drop in and hang			
out in leisure centre			
Electronic notice board on street to			
advertise what's on in the village			
Community library/ book exchange in			
leisure centre			
Wi-Fi in leisure centre			
More non-sports activities in leisure			
centre			
English language classes in leisure			
centre			
Create plaza in front of leisure centre			
'green' Main St with tree planting	_	_	
Traffic calming on Main St			
Bring back Emyvale Fair as a			
community festival			

Introduce a Christmas thankyou event	
for volunteers & to bring the community	
together	
Engage an architect to design a	
scheme to improve the overall look of	
Main St	
Open the current Emyvale.net to all	
groups to update their content and use	
as the main communication point for	
the village	
Run 'Come & Try It' taster sessions to	
encourage people to try new things	
Investigate feasibility of more frequent	
rural transport services through the	
village	
Upgrade the playground & expand to	
create a community park	
Provide a safe walking & cycling link	
between the village & Emy Lough	
Enhance sports facilities at Parish field	
Develop a brand for the village	
Set up a Community Council with	
membership drawn from each local	
committee	
Review progress of Community Plan	
every 3 years with County Council	
every 3 years with Country Council	
Q5. Which project(s) should be prioritis	ed?
Q6. If you have anything else you wou	ld like to say, here's your chance:

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Your information will only be used to send out the Plan to you and will not be stored.

Thank you for helping to make Emyvale a fantastic place to live.