

CLIMATE RESILIENCE AND COMMUNITY

Reimagining Monaghan Town



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Objective

Enhance green spaces and building climate resilience in Monaghan, encouraging active travel and biodiversity.

Public Consultation Feedback

Sports & Outdoor Activities

- Increase public amenity space in the town
- Access to free public facilities
- Provide facilities and base for existing sports clubs
- Improve walking, cycling & jogging routes
- Lake sports canoe/kayak
- Pump track
- Running track
- Basketball Court
- Indoor & outdoor courts
- Paddle, tennis
- Football, 1Wall - handball

Community Gathering Spaces

- Increase event & community spaces
- Create multi-functional spaces that cater for various community activities
- Base for community groups & Tidy Towns
- Storage facilities

Public Spaces/Facilities

- Improve public spaces and event facilities in the town
- Create a town that caters for various user groups
- Teen 'hang out' space
- Town centre play areas
- Facilities for children & babies (baby & toddler parking/changing & feeding facilities)
- Special needs facilities
- Increase outdoor seating/ picnic benches (sheltered) outdoor eating options/Disabled Access seating

Preservation of Natural Areas

- Enhance areas of natural beauty
- Rejuvenate parts of the Ulster Canal
- St. Peter's lake
- Convent lake

Biodiversity

- Increase Biodiversity within the town
- Green streets - tree lined streets, flowers & planting
- Pocket parks & more green open space
- Biodiversity corridor along Canal

Flood Management

- Concern about rising lake levels
- Sustainable development informed by flood mitigation strategies

Where in the town would you like to see a pocket park?

Opportunities



Biodiversity Corridors



Public Seating



Public Space Enhancement



Shared Public Spaces



Soft Landscaping



Pocket Parks

H8 Public Realm Enhancement - Peters Lake



Proposed Map of Peters Lake

1. North-South Active Travel link through Peters Lake, identified by a shared surface.
2. Sheltered pavilion as a space for younger people to hang out in wet conditions.
3. Playground with smaller play spaces along main pedestrian route.
4. Safe crossing points across North Road
5. Potential for future development to incorporate views towards the lake
6. Public Realm improvements to Plantation Road.
7. Remove hedging to open up view to Peter's Lake from North Road
8. Extend footpaths / shared surface with soft landscaping from Glaslough Street to Peters Lake to prioritise pedestrian access

Town Vision Climate Resilience and Community



Proposed Climate Resilience and Community Actions



R1 Spaces for young Persons and Teenagers

Funding for a Youth Centre in Monaghan



R2 Playful City and Outdoor Play

Implement outdoor play strategy, incorporating St.Louis Lands



R3 Monaghan Sports Campus

Plan a public indoor and outdoor sports facility in Monaghan Town



R4 Irish Language and Cultural Centre

Develop a plan for a permanent Irish Language Centre



R5 Broad Road Link

Develop a pedestrian route from town centre to St Louis Lands



R6 St Louis Long Term Car Park

Reallocate car parking spaces to allow for a new public entrance to St Louis Lands



R7 Biodiversity Corridors

Develop a network of green spaces throughout town