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<b>What should the PPN focus on for the next 2 years?</b>	<b>No. Of Votes</b>	<b>%</b>
Assisting groups to find ways of progressing their projects, e.g. advice about funding	13	26.53%
Ensuring the community's needs are reflected in new funding programmes coming into Co. Monaghan	10	20.41%
Promoting community spirit and a sense of pride	9	18.37%
Ensuring that the community sector has a strong input into the new Local Community Plan, and other important strategies which will shape future development in the county	9	18.37%
Getting information out to local groups, to ensure they are always well informed and connected into latest developments	7	14.29%
Ensuring all communities are familiar with the PPN, are linked to it, and understand how it works	6	12.24%
Promote all artists in the county	6	12.24%
Ensuring hard-to-hear voices such as Travellers are facilitated to have their say	4	8.16%
Supporting the community reps to represent us effectively on the JPC, SPC's and LCDC and ensuring they feed back regularly to the groups	3	6.12%
Providing opportunities for groups to interact, network and learn from one another	2	4.08%
Ensuring balance across the PPN structures – MD, theme and gender	1	2.04%
Sustainability check all projects	1	2.04%
Enforces alcohol free law on our streets	1	2.04%
Make sure all of community is linked in with PPN	1	2.04%

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<b>What one thing would make the biggest difference of the lives of the people of Co. Monaghan</b>	<b>No. Of Votes</b>	<b>%</b>
Youth Engagement	14	28.57%
Job Creation	11	22.45%
Reduce fear of crime	11	22.45%
Access to broad band	10	20.41%
Better support for our older people	9	18.37%
Reduce isolation	7	14.29%
Increase in visitor numbers to the county	7	14.29%
Better rural transport	6	12.24%
More durgs awareness work	5	10.20%
Keep the Ulster Final in Clones	4	8.16%
Retain and improve services in rural areas	4	8.16%
More community health initiatives	4	8.16%
Give pedestrians and cyclist priority over motor vehicles in towns	3	6.12%
More sports facilities	3	6.12%
Services to cater for a multi-cultural society	2	4.08%
Consider our life support system the environment	2	4.08%
Isolation is not u just a transport issue – rural isolation is increased by the ever increasing	2	4.08%
Improve variety of tourist accommodation	1	2.04%
County Council meetings more centralised in the county	1	2.04%
Energy, producing our own energy e.g. solar	1	2.04%

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<b>What can Monaghan County Council do to help communities?</b>	<b>No. Of Votes</b>	<b>%</b>
Provide more funding to community projects	11	22.45%
Develop tourism brand for Co. Monaghan linked to heritage and culture	10	20.41%
Assist communities to find innovative ways of improving access to services in their areas	9	18.37%
Preserve the heritage buildings in its care and make available for community use	8	16.33%
Use local contractors where possible	8	16.33%
Undertake a flagship tourism project to support tourism development in the county	8	16.33%
Transparency in all budgets	6	12.24%
Develop the Ulster Canal Green-way beyond Monaghan Town	5	10.20%
Improve link roads and bypasses	3	6.12%
Run more cultural events	3	6.12%
Offer defunct equipment and materials to community groups	3	6.12%
Sort out ghost estates	3	6.12%
Conduct an audit of services to identify the gaps	3	6.12%
Sort out dereliction	2	4.08%
Assist people with new rent allowance scheme	2	4.08%
Make more use of Part 5 of the Housing Development Plan (to require developers to provide social housing)	2	4.08%
Purchase key assets to ensure they are available for future development	2	4.08%
More social housing	2	4.08%
Extend the Age Friendly initiative to include all towns	2	4.08%
Renewable energy projects	2	4.08%
Improve footpaths/remove sandwich boards to make it easier for people of limited mobility to get around	1	2.04%
Introduce more vehicle speed control measures in urban areas	1	2.04%
Ensure sign posts are clear of overgrown hedges and kept clean	1	2.04%
Help communities to increase participation in local groups	1	2.04%
Help local arts in the county	1	2.04%
Monaghan Co. Co. And community & voluntary sector should develop festivals & cultural events to raise profile of the county nationally & internationally	1	2.04%
Environmental education initiatives - local wildlife sustainability	1	2.04%
Seek to secure resources to reopen the ulster canal	1	2.04%

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<b>What are the biggest challenges facing County Monaghan?</b>	<b>No. Of Votes</b>	<b>%</b>
Poor condition of local roads	13	26.53%
Protection of our environment form illegal dumping, diesel wash, litter, etc.	10	20.41%
Conservation of our heritage buildings	9	18.37%
Mental health	8	16.33%
No prospects for young people locally	8	16.33%
Lack of facilities & supports for young people	7	14.29%
Lack of Garda presence	6	12.24%
Lack of Broadband	5	10.20%
Affordable childcare	4	8.16%
Families under increasing financial pressure	4	8.16%
Lack of services for children	4	8.16%
Poverty	4	8.16%
Underdeveloped tourism sector	4	8.16%
Crime	4	8.16%
Lack of social housing	3	6.12%
Access to health care	3	6.12%
Cuts to community schemes	3	6.12%
Lack of economic growth	2	4.08%
Unemployment	2	4.08%
Empty retail units in town centres	2	4.08%
Ghost estates	1	2.04%
Dereliction	1	2.04%
Reliance on low-wage industries	1	2.04%
Losing our identity and pride in being from Monaghan	1	2.04%
Rural transport	1	2.04%
Education levy and childcare services	1	2.04%
Anti social behaviour & how to address it effectively & interact with Garda re. Same	1	2.04%
Lack of Garda resources e.g. one vehicle available is not the desired response when reporting a crime	1	2.04%