

# Pinwherry and Pinmore Place Planning

Priorities for Action

Engagement outcomes June 2022



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## Introduction

South Ayrshire Council is currently undertaking Place Plans with many of the communities in South Ayrshire. These plans are at the heart of a new approach to placemaking in South Ayrshire, one that is embedded within, and driven by the Community's own concerns and aspirations. The aim is to develop plans collaboratively with the community that are a true reflection of the priorities of those who live and work in the towns and villages of South Ayrshire. The plans will provide a series of actions that the community, the Council and other partners can work together in delivering.

Between October and December 2021, the Council undertook a series of Community Conversations with the communities in Pinwherry and Pinmore, that sought to identify the main concerns facing residents. This report presents the findings from the engagements and provides the basis from which the next round of conversations can take place where actions to address priorities will be developed.

## Outcome of Engagement

The Community Conversations in Pinwherry and Pinmore began in October and continued through December 2021. The engagement consisted of a number of focused meetings with community groups as well as an online survey. The Scottish Government designed Place Standard toolkit was used to measure and assess the community's priorities.

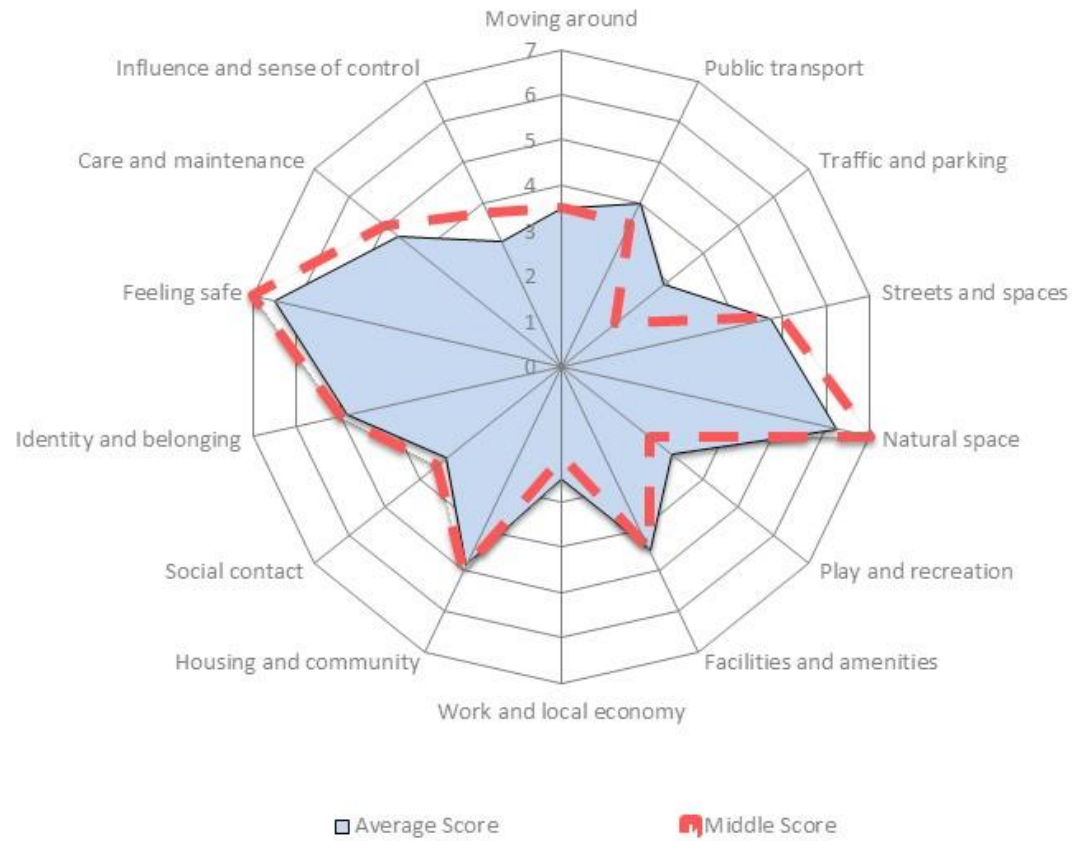
The Place Standard sees a score awarded for each of the identified topics that make up a successful place. This ranges from 1, where most improvement is needed, to 7, where no improvement is needed. The scores given by each member of the community who took part were averaged to give an indication of priorities. A total of 25 people took part in the consultation including through 1 community meeting and 7 online surveys.

The findings of the consultation are laid out in the table below, and in the diagram on the following page. There were five areas that were identified as being of particular concern, with scores below the median of 3.5. These were the topics of Work and Local Economy, Traffic and Parking, Influence and Sense of Control, Play and Recreation and Social Contact.

At the other end of the scale Identity and belonging, Natural Space and Feeling Safe scored highly.

Topic	Average
Work and local economy	2.5
Traffic and parking	2.9
Influence and sense of control	3.1
Play and recreation	3.1
Social contact	3.3
Moving Around	3.5
Public transport	4.0
Facilities and amenities	4.5
Care and maintenance	4.6
Streets and spaces	4.8
Housing and community	4.9
Identity and belonging	4.9
Natural space	6.3
Feeling safe	6.5

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As part of the conversations, participants were invited to provide comments relating to the topic areas. These provide an insight into the reason for the scores, as well as some of the possible solutions. A sample of some of the comments received are set out in the boxes below.

<b>Work and Local Economy = 2.5</b>	
<p><b><u>Positive</u></b></p> <p>Opportunities in agriculture / tourism            Seasonal work available            Holiday let industry            Potential for self employed start ups in trade</p>	<p><b><u>Negative</u></b></p> <p>No good quality work in area            Not enough people to fill local job vacancies            No active local economy</p>
<p><b><u>Suggestion</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Could vacancies be advertised on community facebook to reach everyone</li> </ul>	

<b>Traffic and Parking = 2.9</b>	
<p><b><u>Positive</u></b></p> <p>Trunk road gives good access</p>	<p><b><u>Negative</u></b></p> <p>Parking difficult for residents and minimal for visitors            On main road – heavy traffic            On road parking difficult for pedestrians as they need to walk on the road</p>
<p><b><u>Suggestions</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waste ground next to auld cemetery could be used for parking</li> <li>• <del>Double yellow lines on Shore Road</del></li> </ul>	

<b>Play and Recreation = 3.1</b>	
<p><b><u>Positive</u></b></p> <p>Field can be used for outdoor recreation</p>	<p><b><u>Negative</u></b></p> <p>No play equipment for young people            No sports facilities – need to travel outwith            Lack of disabled access</p>
<p><b><u>Suggestion</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create footpath to access field</li> </ul>	

<b>Influence and Sense of Control = 3.1</b>	
<p><b><u>Positive</u></b></p> <p>Positive community being asked to contribute            Local development council            Better level of representation from Trust – and work well with community association</p>	<p><b><u>Negative</u></b></p> <p>Don't know how to be listened to            Community organisations not visible to residents            Community Council has too much control - no influence or trust in them</p>

**Social Contact = 3.3****Positive**

Community Hall

**Negative**

Lack of facilities in village – better in neighbouring villages  
Lack of day to day contact – no school, church, shop  
Most clubs stopped now

**Suggestion**

- Could do more to improve social contact
- More organised clubs and events

**Moving Around = 3.5****Positive**

Some vehicles and locals slow down

**Negative**

No paths making it unsafe to travel around  
No designated cycle lanes  
Volume of traffic – HGVs ; tractors ; lorries  
Poor signange – road signs missing

**Suggestions**

- Need pavements in some areas
- Traffic calming measures – eg. Speed cameras, speed bumps, flashing signs

**Public Transport = 4.0****Positive**

Bus service is good  
Train service from Barrhill to Girvan is good  
Public transport meets my needs

**Negative**

Frequency of buses – every 2 hours, no Sunday service  
Taxis don't cover area or are too expensive – rural discrimination  
Difficult for those who commute or need to get somewhere

**Suggestions**

- Improve transport options (rail) and discourage car use

**Facilities and Amenities = 4.5****Positive**

Land which could be potential facility  
Village hall  
Clubs and activities pre-covid  
Various amenities – fishmonger, library, ice-cream van

**Negative**

Need to travel outwith to access facilities and amenities  
Existing hall not fit for purpose – no disabled access

**Suggestion**

- Hall needs a meeting space and upgraded

**Care and Maintenance = 4.6****Positive**

Open spaces appear well cared for  
Some areas well maintained – bridge, trees, laybys  
Grass cut in response to emails (but should be done regularly)

**Negative**

Litter is an issue  
Drains not cleared causing issue with flooding  
Two years to fix bridge  
Weeds/leaves on pavements  
Hall not cared for

**Suggestion**

- Clean drains more regularly

**Streets and Spaces = 4.8****Positive**

Natural landscape is beautiful  
Most buildings well maintained  
Pinmore Green maintained for events

**Negative**

Derelict site in Pinwherry is an eyesore  
Some properties need work  
No streets – all are roads, no pavements

**Suggestion**

- Pavements would improve access and availability

**Identity and Belonging = 4.9****Positive**

Strong community spirit  
People are happy  
No problem with positive identity

**Negative**

Community council is inactive  
Community association is struggling with lack of volunteers

**Housing and Community = 4.9****Positive**

Good mixture of housing – different sizes and types  
Private housing standard ok  
Housing is adequate for area

**Negative**

Not affordable for young people  
Little social housing, rentals  
No housing for elderly

**Suggestion**

- Need to be more for the elderly

**Natural Space = 6.3****Positive**

Natural space on doorstep and is beautiful  
Rural area with abundance of wildlife  
Good accessible greenspace

**Negative**

Too many turbines  
Litter and flytipping an issue

**Feeling Safe = 6.5****Positive**

Small village and feels very safe  
Safe in house and village

**Negative**

Not safe because of the road

**Suggestion**

- Better traffic lights

**Next Steps**

The community conversations undertaken to date have established the strengths and weaknesses and priority issues facing Pinwherry and Pinmore. This information will be used as the baseline for developing actions that will form the final Place Plan in due course. A number of workshops will now be held with community groups to further investigate the issues and possible actions that could be undertaken to address these. Following these workshops a draft Place Plan will be prepared and published online for comment and further input from the wider community.