



About

Envisioning Williamstown 2035

Background

Envisioning Williamstown 2035 is a comprehensive planning initiative to collaboratively plan for Williamstown's future. The Comprehensive Plan is the official, long-range planning document that guides future growth, development, land use, infrastructure, and municipal services.

It informs future decision-making and programs across the community. It also provides a roadmap of actions that address key issues related to housing, climate change, equity, community resiliency, open space and recreation, and others.

Williamstown's Comprehensive Plan was last updated in 2002. Since then, a number of initiatives and planning efforts have been undertaken by the Town. The new Plan will integrate these efforts with substantial public outreach, a contemporary understanding of Williamstown, and a comprehensive framework guiding future growth and natural resource protection in the community. The Plan is expected to be completed in the spring of 2023.

What topics will be addressed in this Plan?

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY



EQUITY, INCLUSION, CULTURE,
AND SENSE OF PLACE



MUNICIPAL SERVICES,
FACILITIES, AND
INFRASTRUCTURE



LAND USE, DEVELOPMENT,
AND HOUSING



OPEN SPACE, RECREATION,
NATURAL RESOURCES, AND
SUSTAINABILITY



TRANSPORTATION AND
CIRCULATION

Our Process



Current Phase

Analyze Williamstown Today and What's Changed

January to June 2022

- Review local and regional plans and data to better understand

conditions, trends, challenges, issues, and opportunities.



Envision the Future of Williamstown

July to October 2022

- Participate in collaborative conversations with the Steering Committee, Town Staff, and the public to identify the community issues, observations, and priorities that are important to us.
- Develop a **community-driven vision** for the future of Williamstown. The vision should provide the direction for the overall plan and a unified path forward for the physical development of the town in the future.
- Organize opportunities for forward thinking community conversations.
What issues are Williamstown community members facing? What do we, as a community, want to preserve in Williamstown? How do we want to see Williamstown evolve in the future?



Write the Plan

October 2022 to May 2023

- Develop **goals and actions** to ensure Williamstown's future is vibrant, resilient, and inclusive and achieve the desired pattern of development and natural resource protection.
- Create an implementation roadmap that lays the groundwork for achieving the desired future conditions outlined in the Town's vision.
- Finalize and formally adopt the Plan.

Williamstown Steering Committee

The Steering Committee will work closely with Town staff, residents, and the consultant team to provide oversight and guidance on the comprehensive plan content, and expand public outreach throughout the comprehensive planning process. The Steering Committee members were appointed by the Planning Board and include:

Stephanie Boyd, Co-Chair

Peter Beck, Co-Chair

Sarah Gardner

Melissa Cragg

Daniel Gura

Don Duberndorf

Susan Briggs

Huff Templeton

Justin Adkins

Tanja Srebotnjak

Susan Puddester

The official **Steering Committee webpage**
(<http://sites.google.com/williamstownma.gov/masterplan2022/home>) on the
Town's website includes meeting minutes, agendas, and other relevant materials.



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