

Lancaster 2035 Comprehensive Plan



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Executive Summary – Community Vision & Values	Community and board engagement
Community Engagement	Community forums, SWOT analysis, survey analysis
Background	Past reports and demographics
Land Use Plan (MGL C. 41, s. 81D)	Past plans: open space, master plan, housing production
Housing (MGL C. 41, s. 81D)	Housing production plan
Economic Development (MGL C. 41, s. 81D)	Economic Development Plan
Natural and Cultural Resources (MGL C. 41, s. 81D)	Open Space Plan, Historic and historical society reports
Open Space and Recreation (MGL C. 41, s. 81D)	Existing Open Space and Recreation Plan
Sustainability and Resilience	Creates framework, including green infrastructure
Service and Facilities (MGL C. 41, s. 81D)	Capital Improvement Plan
Circulation (MGL C. 41, s. 81D)	Past project plans
Implementation & Action Plan (MGL C.41, s.81D)	Includes Cost-Benefit Analysis

Lancaster 2035 Engagement Plan (tentative)

Kickoff town staff and Planning Board chair COMPLETE	Coordination of effort and information gathering
Develop Lancaster2035.org website COMPLETE	Public can follow and comment as plan advances
Kickoff with Planning Board—11/27/23	Information, involvement and prioritization
Town staff conducts outreach	Coordinated by Brian Keating with Plan Sustain support
Blue sky (all ideas) kickoff public forum- 12/2/23	Community vision, plan scope details, goals,
(with gift cards and snacks)	information gathering, priorities.
Planning Board public forum follow-up— January 2024 Invite other board representationSelect Board, Conservation, Affordable Housing, Agricultural, Zoning Board, Committee on Disability, Council on Aging, Economic Development, Energy, Finance, Historic, Open Space and Recreation, and Recreation)	Draft community vision, plan scope details, goals, information gathering, priorities, background and demographic analysis, and survey
Community survey- January-February 2024	Refine public input on vision, goals, and priorities
Planning Board (other boards welcome)- Feb. 2024	Test draft plan outline
Public Forum to test draft plan- March 2024	Refine draft plan
Planning Board (other boards welcome)-April 2024	Refine draft plan
Public forum – present full plan- April 2024	Refine final plan
Planning Board (others welcome)-May-July 2024 Planning Board adopts and Select Board endorses	Final plan completed and adopted

Lancaster 2035 – Share your vision



Lancaster 2035 Comprehensive Plan, sponsored by the Planning Board and Selectboard, will help guide Lancaster for years to come.

What do you want for Lancaster's future? We need to hear YOUR vision and your values.

The process begins with a public forum:

WHAT: A public engagement forum. Free refreshments and a gift card random drawing.

Tell your friends and family to attend. We need to hear from diverse voices.

WHERE: Mary Rowlandson Elementary School Auditorium, 103 Hollywood Dr.

WHEN: 10:00 AM, Saturday December 2, 2023

WHY: To hear your vision, values, goals, and ideas.

MORE: www.Lancaster2035.org - Leave your comments. Sign up for project emails. See

the results of the public forum and follow the process.

NEXT: The Planning Board and Selectboard will discuss what we hear at the forum.

We will release a survey and hold additional community forums on the plan in the

winter and spring.

The planning process is coordinated by the Selectboard, the Planning Board, and the Town of Lancaster. Plan Sustain, Inc. is facilitating the process.

Background: The Town of Lancaster has begun the process of writing a new master plan. The plan will provide a longterm vision for the future, while strategically focusing on the most important issues and opportunities. The plan will be implementation focused with a list of suggested next steps.



Lancaster 2035 – Run of Show

Time	Activity	Details
	Prepare	Supplies, cups, plates, food, gift cards
9:00	Set up space	Wayne Feiden, Amelia Lavalle, Brian Keating
9:45	Arrivals start	Sign-in list, envelopes with supplies
10:00	Places of the Heart	Map, X for special place- why (post-it)
	Unsafe roadways	Map, X for unsafe – why (post-it)
	Environment	Map, X for special features – why (post-it)
10:10	Town Welcome	Suggest Planning Board chair
10:15	Workshop welcome	Wayne Feiden
10:20	Gift card drawing	Amelia
10:21	What I love about Lancaster	Audience or post-its

