Town of Barnstable Local Comprehensive Plan Phase I Review

Local Comprehensive Planning Committee Town Council

August 17, 2023



Barnstable Local Comprehensive Plan

A local comprehensive plan defines a long-term land use vision and policies for the community by anticipating and guiding the rate of new development and coordinating it with capital facilities and infrastructure. A comprehensive plan defines the unique values we seek to protect, and encourages balanced development with preservation of the environment.

Barnstable Local Comprehensive Plan

Phase 1 – Community Engagement, Vision, and Existing Conditions

Phase 2 – Land Use Topics with community supported goals and strategies for each and a Targeted Action Plan

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Welcome to the Barnstable Local Comprehensive Plan Project Page

Your voice matters — this is our community's plan and we are seeking input from residents, business owners, and workforce members alike in order to envision what Barnstable should be over the next 10 to 20 years. What kind of place do you want Barnstable to be in the future? How do you want to see Barnstable evolve? What do you want to see preserved? We encourage you to be a voice for the issues that you care

Public Comment		
Name *		
First	Last	
Email *	Select your Village *	
	Barnstable	~



This viewer provides interactive maps and dashboards to support the existing conditions section of the update of the Town of Barnstable's Local Comprehensive Plan. Explore data and maps by topic area by clicking on one of the icons below.



LCP Survey & Mailer

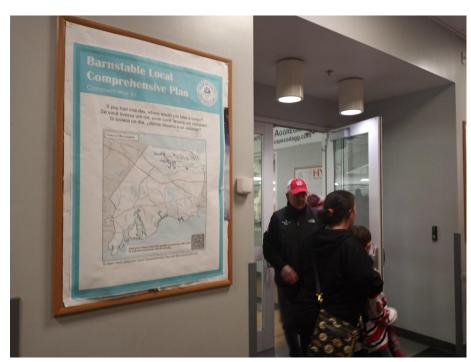
LCP Survey & Mailer

- 1,545 responses
- Mailers was distributed to all mailing addresses in Town
- Public School System Emailer in collaboration with the Superintendent
- All outreach in English,
 Portuguese, and Spanish

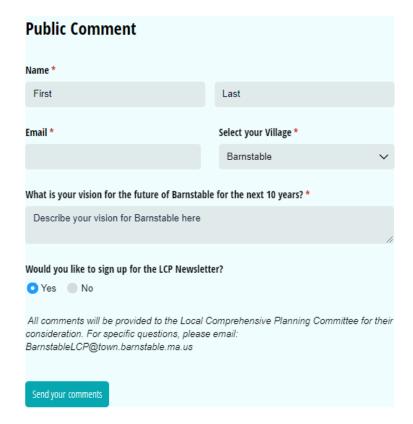
Comment Walls at the High School, HYCC, and BACC

Newsletter









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Key Themes from Engagement:

- Protect water quality in all forms harbors, rivers, ponds, drinking water
- Protect the environmental resources that Barnstable maintains including open space, beaches, lakes, ponds, habitat, trails, vistas, etc.
- Preserve and enhance tree canopy throughout town but especially in Hyannis
- Protect and enhance tourist appeal, such as quaint Cape Cod features, beaches, open space, etc.
- Preserve diverse community character that is unique to each village
- Preserve historic structures, features, and ways that provide Cape Cod charm
- Expand housing options and opportunities at affordable prices for all ages
- Reduce traffic congestion and speeding; improve pedestrian safety
- Provide more opportunities for children and families—recreation, village events, medical access, specialized education, etc.
- Create more year-round employment opportunities, especially in the Blue Economy and job sectors that provide living wages
- Improve safety in village centers and supportive health and human services for those in need
- Foster opportunities to form community connections and get to know neighbors
- · Increase proactive communication and transparency from town government









Carlos Barbosa, Bob Twiss, Amanda Converse, Lindsey Counsell, Mark Hansen, Meghan Mort, Wendy Northcross, Fran Parks, Cheryl Powell, Avery Revere, Susan Rohrbach, Jenn Williams, Felicia Penn, and Steve Costello

1. Vision

The town of Barnstable is a vibrant and diverse community where people and nature thrive together. We are committed to creating a healthy, safe, inclusive, and equitable place for all residents and to restore, enhance and protect our natural resources for future generations.

To achieve our vision, we will proactively:

- Protect, restore and enhance priority natural habitats, salt and fresh water resources, and open spaces.
- Maintain healthy coastal ecosystems along with commercially viable harbors.
- · Protect and improve the quality and quantity of our drinking water.
- Prepare and adapt to climate impacts including sea level rise.
- Reduce our environmental footprint by investing in low-carbon energy, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and better managing our waste.
- Build on our outstanding recreational opportunities and enhance access to open spaces while
 also ensuring no environmental harm as recommended by the open space and recreation plan.
- Preserve, enhance and celebrate the unique historic character and sense of place of the town and each of its seven villages.
- Promote a diverse economy that supports living wages and local businesses and restores, enhances and protects the natural environment.
- Commit to providing affordable and attainable year-round housing options.
- Provide access to high-quality public education, healthcare, human and social services, and a healthy environment.
- Foster an inclusive community that values diversity.
- · Create a healthy, safe community, and care for those in need.
- Incentivize redevelopment and encourage new development toward locations with adequate infrastructure and away from environmentally sensitive areas town-wide.
- Enable people to travel safely and efficiently by the mode of their choice.
- Build essential infrastructure that is resilient, adaptable, and sustainable and minimizes its environmental impact.
- Increase transparency of the local government so that it can make effective decisions ground in citizen input and implement necessary changes efficiently.
- Strengthen community connections and communication town-wide and seek opportunities for collaboration with neighboring towns.
- Recognize and build upon previous efforts by citizens and the Town to make Barnstable the best that it can be.





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Phase I: Vision, Engagement, and Existing Conditions









Existing Conditions + Data





Existing Conditions & Data

- Inventory and overview of existing assets and conditions
- Guides discussion about future growth and development and resource protection
- Informs the development of Phase II

Marinas and Harbors

Town landings and ways to water are a vital part of Barnstable's marine infrastructure and support a variety of commercial and recreational activities. The Town operates four marinas, two in Hyannis (Bismore Park and Gateway), one in Marstons Mills (Prince Cove) and one in Barnstable (Barnstable Harbor Marina). In 2022, the Town issued 2,519 mooring permits. As the year-round and seasonal population has grown, these resources are more heavily used and some show the stress of this heavy use. Moorings and marinas are in high demand in town, and on-going management issues include increasing the full utilization of existing mooring permits to increase access to waterways and managing the environmental impacts of moorings and marinas.



Degraded water quality can negatively impact coastal property values.

Initial findings from a recent Cape Cod Commission study evaluating home prices in the Three Bays area in Barnstable indicate a 1% increase in nitrogen is associated with a decrease in single-family home sale prices in the range of 0.407% to 0.807% (average 0.61%), with a 95% confidence level. Source – Cape Cod Regional

The Town maintains and regularly updates an inventory of public and private uses in its harbors and needed repairs.

2023 EXISTING CONDITIONS

Phase 1 Report: Vision, Engagement, and Existing Conditions

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Thank you.

