

Planning for the Future of our Town
Weathersfield Planning Survey
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Comments:

List the top three things that you enjoy about Weathersfield (Planning-related only) and do not want to change:

Dirt roads – do not pave anymore. The police force does not need to be upgraded. No more restrictions on private property.

The fact that it's not highly developed.

No large industries. Minimal environmental impact by any industry.

Rural districts, limited density.

Predominantly rural; restrictions on artificial lighting; lot size regulations.

Commercial development kept to higher density areas.

Open spaces, views, rural setting.

Undeveloped land, quiet areas away from well traveled roads, woodland trails.

Lack of chain stores and commercialism; peace and quiet; no trailer parks.

Accessibility to interstate and New Hampshire.

Rural vistas, open land; flexibility to allow home businesses/industries in residential areas.

Small hamlets, open spaces, forested land – Mt. Ascutney, Little Ascutney.

Rural character, undeveloped CT River shoreline.

Open spaces; uncluttered ridgelines.

Close knit community; no big business; friendly citizens; wildlife habitat

Natural environment; sense of community.

Clear ridge lines; minimum lot size; agricultural environment.

Town Hall in Ascutney; historic quality of Weathersfield Center; conservation efforts.

Covered bridges; no street lights; no towers; no highway to Rutland; two small schools.

Lack of “Walmart” and fast food chains; scenic views.

“Old New England” look in village centers; open fields; clean air.

List the top three things (Planning-related only) that you would like to change:

Less restrictions on property owners.

Restrict used cars rusting in view of roads and trash around properties.

No more expansion of 2 private campgrounds.

Limit big houses up on top of hills – I don’t want to look up and see mansions.

Lower property taxes; stricter lighting regulations.

Encourage commercial growth in Perkinsville and Amsden.

Restrictions on junkyards.

Stop trying to establish policies; do not write more regulations; address the failures of zoning on a per case basis.

Control of debris on landowners property enforced; noise pollution, land clearing.

All new construction must be at least 10 acre zoning; cutting by utility companies restricted to within determined area (much less than now).

Speed limit in Perkinsville; more public presence; opening of the Perkinsville Store.

Prevention law to keep people from having cars, misc. stuff in their yards

Sidewalks in Ascutney and Perkinsville.

Lighting (it’s awful on Exit 8)

Access to the River that is free to all; no more gas stations & convenience stores in Ascutney

Encourage development in the village/hamlet areas; encourage land conservation; less mobile homes.

Reduce curbcuts in high density areas.

Less traffic on Route 131; restaurant and tavern

Town dump should be open more days; State Police substation in Ascutney

Help farms remain farms

More recreation for our kids

Control development on ridgelines; restore historical buildings

Reduced property taxes

Weathersfield needs one central school.

We need rental housing; expand areas where new multi family housing can be built.