



Town of Falmouth Comprehensive Plan Survey

Falmouth... in 10 Years?

We want your thoughts and opinions about where and how our town can grow and change over the next ten years.

As requested by the Town Council, the Long Range Planning Advisory Committee (LPAC+) is in the process of updating Falmouth's Comprehensive Plan, which is reviewed every ten years. This plan, which was last updated in 2000, is the basic foundation for Falmouth town planning, and outlines our vision and priorities. It shapes our physical, social, and economic development into the future.

We invite you to take part in this process now.

Please take a few minutes to answer the survey. Please be candid – individual responses are confidential. Please indicate your opinion by circling the appropriate number or by writing in the space provided.

The survey takes about 20-25 minutes to complete. All responses will be confidential. If you have any questions or experience difficulties accessing the survey, you may contact either Market Decisions Research Director Dr. Brian Robertson at 1-800-293-1538 ext. 102, brianr@marketdecisions.com; or, Falmouth's Long-Range Planning Director Theo Holtwijk at 699-5340, tholtwijk@town.falmouth.me.us.

When you are done, please return the survey in the postage paid envelope provided. For your opinions to be included in the results, it's important that you complete and return your survey by Monday June 13, 2011. The results will be tabulated and publicly reported.

Thank you in advance for taking your time to share your thoughts.

Sincerely,

Falmouth Long Range Planning Advisory Committee

Would You Recommend Falmouth?

1. From 0 (least) to 10 (most), would you recommend Falmouth as a town to call home to a friend or colleague?

Least										Most
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<input type="checkbox"/>										

2. Why did you give it that score?

3. What needs to change to increase your score?

4. What change would decrease your score?

Driving, Bicycling, and Walking

Traffic

The need to move about is essential to go to work, go to school, go shopping, or visit friends. Increases in traffic in Falmouth are inevitable as our town grows. The Town of Falmouth wants to plan for this growth and to take into consideration the use of roads not only by motorists, but also by bicyclists and pedestrians. Your input will help prioritize the use of our transportation infrastructure.

1. Overall, how do you feel about traffic congestion on Town roads? Please rate on a scale from 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all concerned and 5 means extremely concerned.

1 Not at all concerned	2	3	4	5 Extremely concerned
<input type="checkbox"/>				

2. **IF RATED 3-5:** Are there specific streets or intersections that you believe are particularly congested?

3. **IF RATED 3-5:** At what specific times of the day or days of the week do you experience congestion?

4. Overall, how do you feel about speeding on Town roads?

1 Not at all concerned	2	3	4	5 Extremely concerned
<input type="checkbox"/>				

5. **IF RATED 3-5:** Are there specific streets where you believe speeding is a particular problem?

Bicyclists/Pedestrians

The Town is considering various improvements in planning for multiple modes of transportation. One consideration is whether certain roads should better accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians. This may include portions of Lunt Road, Depot Road, Woods Road, Blackstrap Road, Bucknam Road, and both ends of Leighton Road, among others.

6. How important is it ...

	1 Not at all important	2	3	4	5 Very important
To extend a bike path/lane network across town?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To extend a walkway path/sidewalk network across town?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
To extend a pedestrian trail network across town?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7. Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following:

	1 Strongly oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly support
The Town should install paved shoulders, sidewalks or bike lanes on selected roadways (for bicycling and walking), even if some trees may have to be cut down or mailboxes set back.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The Town should install paved shoulders, sidewalks or bike lanes on selected roadways, even if it widens the road in front of my property. The Town should install paved shoulders, sidewalks or bike lanes on selected roadways, even if it requires Town funds to do so.	<input type="checkbox"/>				

	Yes	No
8. Do you currently live on a street that has a sidewalk?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. IF NO: If your street did have a sidewalk, would you use it?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Yes	No
10. Are there specific roads where the Town should consider installing sidewalks? (IF YES: Specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

11. Are there specific roads where the Town should consider installing paved shoulders or bike lanes? (IF YES: Specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Interconnections

Currently the Town requires that new residential developments reserve, where feasible, right-of-ways to adjacent properties for future roadway connections. The purpose of these interconnections is to reduce traffic impacts on the Town’s streets, to allow looping of public utilities, and to provide alternative access for emergency vehicles. Although a number of these right-of-ways exist on paper, in practice very few road connections are ultimately constructed by the Town. Typically, the opportunity for interconnectivity arises when the Town is being requested to accept a dead end road as a public road.

12. How important is it...

	1 Not at all important	2	3	5	5 Very important
To have road or path connections between residential developments?	<input type="checkbox"/>				
That, at the time of subdivision approval, funds for use by the Town should be set aside by the property owner and/or developer for the construction of future road connections to adjacent properties?	<input type="checkbox"/>				
For the Town to construct road connections on right-of-ways that already exist on paper between residential developments, when private roads are petitioned for acceptance as public roads?	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Funding of Road Repair

Certain sections of roads in town, such as Falmouth and Blackstrap roads, are “State” roads. Maintenance and capital costs for these types of roads vary depending on their road “classification.” In recent years, due to unavailable State funding, maintenance of those roads has been deferred. The Town reserves funds in its annual Capital Improvement Program for road repair. In the case of Falmouth Road the Council decided to use some of these funds to pay for 100% of the capital improvements of this road. This work will be performed over the next few years.

13. The Town should...

	1 Strongly oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly support
Use 100% local funds to maintain “State” roads, such as Blackstrap Road, if State funding for such maintenance is unavailable.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Defer maintenance of “State” roads until such time when State funding becomes available.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Give roadway improvements preference over pedestrian/bicycle improvements, if budget choices must be made. (Rate on a 5 point scale where 1 means all preference is for pedestrian/bicycle improvements and 5 means all preference is for roadway improvements.)	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Give bicycle improvements preference over pedestrian improvements, if budget choices must be made. (Rate on a 5 point scale where 1 means all preference is for pedestrian improvements and 5 means all preference is for bicycle improvements.)	<input type="checkbox"/>				

14. Is there anything else you believe is important for the Town to think about regarding traffic, traffic congestion, speeding, trails, roads, bicyclists, and pedestrians?

1. For each of the following departments and services, please indicate whether you or others in your household have had interaction with them in the last year and then indicate how satisfied you are with the department or service. (Continued)

Service or Program	Have you or others in your household interacted with...	<u>IF YES:</u> How satisfied are you with...				
	Yes	1 Very dissatisfied	2	3	4	5 Very satisfied
Road Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Town Clerk's office, such as motor vehicle transactions and voter registration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Town Trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transfer Station	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wastewater Treatment (sewer)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water Access (other than Town Landing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Falmouth High School	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Falmouth Middle School	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elementary Schools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Falmouth Memorial Library (Note: This is not a Town department, but a close partner with the Town)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Town web site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
On-line business transactions through the Town's web site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Falmouth Public Schools web site	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. If any service or program was rated 1 or 2, why did you rate that service/program so?

3. The Town would like to know your priorities for potential added or enhanced services that could be provided to residents. Please rate how important the following services and programs are to you by assigning points to each. You have up to 100 points to distribute.

The more points you assign to a program or service, the more important it is to you that the Town offer this program or service. You may assign as many points as you like to each of these up to a total of 100 points. You do not have to assign any points to programs or services you do not believe are important and you do not need to assign the entire 100 points if you choose not to do so.

	I do not want service added/enhanced.	Points	For each of the items to which you assigned points: Please indicate how much you would support or oppose a potential increase in taxes or user fees to fund.				
			1 Strongly oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly support
Community/Recreational Programming and Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Open Space Acquisition	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult Education/Enrichment Programming	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cultural or Social Programs, such as summer concert series and performing arts	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elderly Services, such as transportation and socialization	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Town Landing Facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Services, such as GED programs	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Center space	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Swimming Pool	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teen Center space	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other: (Specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Shared Services

Some of the Town’s services are offered through agreements with surrounding communities to coordinate the cost and support. Please answer the following questions to demonstrate your willingness to enter into other agreements to share services.

4. Please rate how strongly you support or oppose...

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
The concept of expansion of shared services with nearby communities and/or Cumberland County if there were cost savings for the Town?	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The concept of expansion of shared services with nearby communities and/or Cumberland County, if the services were moved to someplace outside of Falmouth?	<input type="checkbox"/>				

5. Expansion of each of the following shared services with nearby communities and/or Cumberland County if the services were moved to someplace outside of Falmouth:

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Transfer Station	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Town Hall business, such as Front Counter, Town Clerk, Assessing, and Permitting	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Community Programs	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Library	<input type="checkbox"/>				

6. Is there anything else you believe is important for the Town to think about regarding Town services or the sharing of services?

Town Center

Community Gathering Space

Historically and recently, Falmouth residents and Town leaders have discussed the concept of a municipal “Town Center.” A municipal Town Center could include facilities and uses that would accommodate community programs, recreational activities, library, multi-generational center, and others.

1. How important do you believe it is that the Town establish a municipal “Town Center” regardless of where it is located?

1 Not at all important	2	3	4	5 Very important
<input type="checkbox"/>				

2. Next, think about the features that best describe the essence of a “Town Center” to you. How important are the following?

	1 Not at all important	2	3	4	5 Very important
Availability of community activities	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Availability of recreational activities	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Availability of municipal services	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Pedestrian space for walking	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Community Programming	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Adult Education/Enrichment Programming	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Cultural or Social Programs	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Elderly Services/Senior Center	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Youth Services/Teen Center	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Falmouth Memorial Library	<input type="checkbox"/>				

3. What other features are important to you in a “Town Center”?

Public Water and Sewer

Utility Extensions

Over the past 10 years, Falmouth has made a number of upgrades and improvement to its Sewage Treatment plant and system. There is also a significant portion of our population that has a septic system and/or private well on their property. Many of the areas still available for residential growth may be marginally suitable for private septic systems. The costs of sewer or water extensions and pump station improvements associated with residential subdivision developments are financed with private funding. There are provisions in place for the Town to defray some of this cost, especially if other users benefit from such extensions. For example, the Town Council has approved financial assistance for projects on an ad hoc basis, such as West Falmouth Crossing, Ridgewood, and Tidewater Village. The availability of public sewer and water service is a growth management tool helping to determine where new development takes place.

1. How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	1 Strongly disagree	2	3	4	5 Strongly agree
The Town should pro-actively plan for sewer, water, and other utility extensions, where appropriate.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The Town should establish a policy that identifies if, and when, the Town will use any Town funds for utility infrastructure costs.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The Town should establish a policy that identifies if, and when, a developer can recoup any utility infrastructure costs.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The Town should wait for private proposals for sewer, water, and other utility extensions for new developments and respond accordingly.	<input type="checkbox"/>				

2. Is there anything else you believe is important for the Town to think about concerning public sewer, water or other utility planning or expansion?

Residential Development

Compact Housing

One way to increase housing and accommodate more diverse household needs, while maintaining our natural environment, is to create “compact housing.” Compact housing may include clustered housing, town homes, apartments, condominiums, and single family housing built on small lots.

Some examples of current compact housing in Falmouth are the “Flats” off Route One, Mussel Cove Landing and Applegate off Route 88, OceanView at Falmouth off Middle and Falmouth roads, Ridgewood off Falmouth Road, the Woodlands off Woods Road, and Foreside Estates and Tidewater off Clearwater Drive.

1. How strongly do you support or oppose the following polices?

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Continued development of residential housing in Falmouth.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Development of compact housing in existing neighborhoods.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Development of compact housing in new neighborhoods.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Development of single family compact housing.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Development of multi-family compact housing.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Optional development of compact housing for developers.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Mandatory development of compact housing in selected, suitable areas for developers.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Development of large residential lots instead of compact housing.	<input type="checkbox"/>				



2. Which areas in Falmouth are, in your opinion, suitable for compact housing (use the map for reference purposes if it is helpful to you)?

3. How interested are you in living in, or moving to, a compact housing neighborhood in Falmouth now or in the future?

1 Not at all interested	2	3	4	5 Very interested
<input type="checkbox"/>				

4. **IF RATED 4 or 5:** How interested are you in a compact housing neighborhood that includes:

	1 Not at all interested	2	3	4	5 Very interested
Single family homes on small lots	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Multi-family housing	<input type="checkbox"/>				
A mix of residential and commercial uses	<input type="checkbox"/>				

5. Currently, several large zoning districts make up Falmouth. In some cases, distinctly different neighborhoods are located within the same zoning district which results in the application of the same rules to all new development.

	Yes	No
Should the Town develop smaller zoning districts that more closely relate to the character of existing development in each neighborhood?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Should the Town allow small-scale “corner” grocery stores in residential neighborhoods?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. Is there anything else you believe is important for the Town to think about concerning residential development?

Master Planning

The 2000 Comprehensive Plan identified the importance of a “Master Planning” process to determine the land uses and growth patterns that are most compatible with different areas of Falmouth. Master planning involves a public participation process with residents, land owners, real estate professionals, developers, conservationists, and other interested citizens. In master planning decisions on public sewer extensions, new street locations, open space preservation, and bicycle/pedestrian linkages are made by the Town rather than by individual developers. The master planning process aims to create a vision for the future that provides general guidance, but also leaves adequate flexibility to deal with the unique characteristics of individual properties and the specific needs of land owners and developers.

As a result of the recommendations in the 2000 Plan, the Town has taken the initiative to undertake master planning in the Woodville and Falmouth Corners sections of Town. Despite an intention to undertake similar processes throughout the Town, this process stopped five years ago.

The Town has also encouraged smaller scale, collaborative efforts among developers, residents, and the Town for specific properties, such as at Tidewater Village and the Falmouth Shopping Center. These have typically been driven by developer interest. Going forward the Town could re-implement the larger scale neighborhood master planning process and/or encourage other smaller scale, site-specific, collaborative master planning efforts among developers, residents, and the Town.

7. How supportive are you for the Town to undertake large scale neighborhood Master Planning efforts?

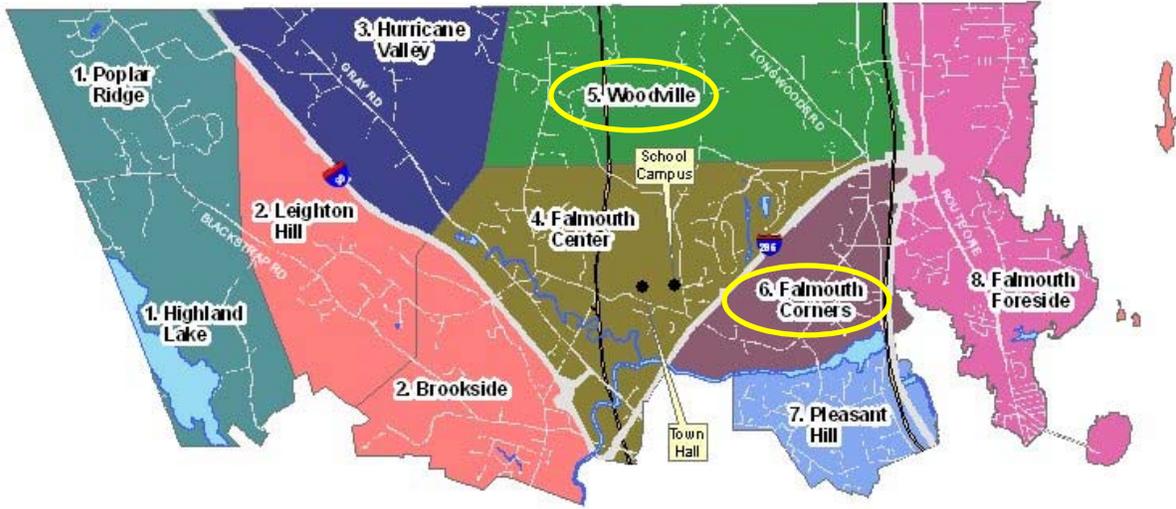
1 Not supportive at all	2	3	4	5 Very supportive
<input type="checkbox"/>				

8. IF RATED 4 or 5: For which neighborhoods should the Town prepare a Master Plan? Specify.

9. How supportive are you for the Town to encourage smaller scale, site-specific collaborative master planning efforts for specific properties among developers, residents, and the Town

1 Not supportive at all	2	3	4	5 Very supportive
<input type="checkbox"/>				

10. If rated 4 or 5: For which properties or areas should the Town encourage smaller scale, site-specific collaborative master planning efforts? Specify



11. How familiar are you with past residential Master Planning efforts by the Town in the Woodville neighborhood?

1 Not familiar at all	2	3	4	5 Very familiar
<input type="checkbox"/>				

12. IF RATED 3-5: How satisfied are you with the Town's past efforts in the Woodville neighborhood to engage residents and obtain their input into the Master Planning efforts?

1 Very dissatisfied	2	3	4	5 Very satisfied
<input type="checkbox"/>				

13. IF RATED 3-5: How effective do you think the Town's past Master Planning efforts in the Woodville neighborhood have been in guiding development?

1 Not effective at all	2	3	4	5 Very effective
<input type="checkbox"/>				

14. How familiar are you with past residential Master Planning efforts by the Town in the Falmouth Corners neighborhood?

1 Not familiar at all	2	3	4	5 Very familiar
<input type="checkbox"/>				

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15. IF RATED 3-5: How satisfied are you with the Town's past efforts in the Falmouth Corners neighborhood to engage residents and obtain their input into the Master Planning efforts?

1 Very dissatisfied	2	3	4	5 Very satisfied
<input type="checkbox"/>				

16. IF RATED 3-5: How effective do you think the Town's past Master Planning efforts in the Falmouth Corners neighborhood have been in guiding development?

1 Not effective at all	2	3	4	5 Very effective
<input type="checkbox"/>				

17. Is there anything else you believe is important for the Town to think about regarding neighborhood Master Planning or collaborative planning efforts?

Commercial Development

1. Would you recommend Falmouth as a place to do business to a friend or colleague (rate on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 means “least” and 10 means “most”)?

Least									Most	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<input type="checkbox"/>										

2. Why did you give it that score?

3. What needs to change to increase your score?

4. What change would decrease your score?

Future Commercial Development

The future of Falmouth will be affected, in part, by the development of commercial projects along Route 1 and Route 100. There are benefits and impacts that the Town will have to consider resulting from such development.

5. How do you feel about future business and commercial development along the Route 1 corridor if it...

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Provides employment opportunities for people in the community.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Provides more opportunities for local shopping, entertainment, and dining.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Provides more walkability.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Generates additional revenue for the Town through new property and equipment taxes and relieves some of the burden on residential taxpayers.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Leads to increased traffic.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Reduces buffers between business and residential areas.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Has an impact on the rural character of the community.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Requires Town investments in infrastructure such as roads, water, and sewer.	<input type="checkbox"/>				

6. How do you feel about future business and commercial development along the Route 100 corridor if it...

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Provides employment opportunities for people in the community.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Provides more opportunities for local shopping, entertainment, and dining.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Provides more walkability.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Generates additional revenue for the Town through new property and equipment taxes and relieves some of the burden on residential taxpayers.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Leads to increased traffic.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Reduces buffers between business and residential areas.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Has an impact on the rural character of the community.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Requires Town investments in infrastructure such as roads, water, and sewer.	<input type="checkbox"/>				

7. Which of the following uses would you like to see in the following areas along Route 1?

Between Route 88 and Turnpike Spur

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Retail, entertainment, dining, services	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Big box retail	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Professional office	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Light manufacturing	<input type="checkbox"/>				

North of Turnpike Spur to Cumberland line

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Retail, entertainment, dining, services	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Big box retail	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Professional office	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Light manufacturing	<input type="checkbox"/>				

8. Which of the following uses would you like to see in the following areas along Route 100?

Between Portland line and Leighton Road

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Retail, entertainment, dining, services	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Big box retail	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Professional office	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Light manufacturing	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Multifamily residential and compact housing	<input type="checkbox"/>				

8. Which of the following uses would you like to see in the following areas along Route 100? (Continued)

Between Leighton Road and Mountain Road

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Retail, entertainment, dining, services	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Big box retail	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Professional office	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Light manufacturing	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Multifamily residential and compact housing	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Between Mountain Road and Cumberland line

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Retail, entertainment, dining, services	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Big box retail	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Professional office	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Light manufacturing	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Multifamily residential and compact housing	<input type="checkbox"/>				

9. Is there anything else that you believe is important for the Town to think about regarding commercial development along the Route 1 and Route 100 corridors?

Alternative Energy

Alternative Energy Promotion

Alternative sources of energy are much more prevalent today in both private and town planning. The Town’s goals are to reduce its reliance on one single energy source – oil, to reduce energy costs, to reduce pollution, and to increase residents’ options for other energy sources.

Alternative energy sources may include wind, solar, natural gas, wood, geothermal, tidal, and other sources. “Green” building practices may include paying attention to energy efficiency, indoor environmental quality, durable materials and minimum impact on natural resources. As technology for using alternative energy advances, there is a very high likelihood that a homeowner, the Town, or a business will want to implement some of these technologies in the next 10 years.

The Town would like to know whether you support or oppose the Town developing regulations and policies allowing alternative energy generation and installations on properties in Falmouth. In the absence of any regulations, uses of these alternative energy sources may not be allowed.

1. The Town should...

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Implement policies encouraging “green” building practices in Town buildings.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Implement policies requiring “green” building practices in Town buildings.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Establish Town regulations to allow the development of alternative energy sources	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Encourage development of the infrastructure required for electric cars (charging terminals).	<input type="checkbox"/>				

2. For residents, the town should establish regulations to allow the development of the following alternative energy sources:

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Wind	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Solar	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Natural gas	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Wood	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Geothermal	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Tidal	<input type="checkbox"/>				

3. For business, the town should establish regulations to allow the development of the following alternative energy sources:

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
Wind	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Solar	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Natural gas	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Wood	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Geothermal	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Tidal	<input type="checkbox"/>				

4. Are you currently interested in installing alternative energy systems at your residence?

1 Not at all interested	2	3	4	5 Very interested
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. How likely would you be to install alternative energy systems at your residence in the next 10 years?

1 Not at all likely	2	3	4	5 Very likely
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. Is there anything else you believe is important for the Town to think about concerning alternative energy?

Open Space Preservation

Open Space Acquisition

Falmouth has historically invested in acquiring open space to preserve natural areas for passive recreational pursuits and land conservation. In November 2007, Falmouth voters approved 5 million dollars over ten years to fund the acquisition of open space following recommendations from the Council-adopted Open Space Plan, of which, as of July 2011, approximately \$1 million dollars will have been spent.

Three tools have typically been used for that purpose: spending tax revenue; acquiring funding from alternative sources; and using development zoning stipulations to set aside additional open space. With that in mind, please answer the following questions.

How satisfied are you with...

1. The Town's efforts to acquire open space.

1 Very dissatisfied	2	3	4	5 Very satisfied
<input type="checkbox"/>				

2. IF RATED 1 or 2: Why are you dissatisfied?

3. The Town's efforts to preserve and manage the open space it has acquired.

1 Very dissatisfied	2	3	4	5 Very satisfied
<input type="checkbox"/>				

4. IF RATED 1 or 2: Why are you dissatisfied?

5. How strongly do you support or oppose the following:

	1 Strongly Oppose	2	3	4	5 Strongly Support
The Town acquiring more open space.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The Town stop the practice of acquiring open space.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The Town spending tax funds to acquire more open space.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The Town spending tax funds beyond the 5 million dollar authorization in 2007 to acquire more open space.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The Town leveraging alternative funds through grants and other resources to continue to buy more open space.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The Town placing a priority on managing and improving the open space and conservation lands it already has rather than acquiring new open space.	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Requiring that land be set aside as open space in new residential developments through zoning ordinance requirements.	<input type="checkbox"/>				

Open Space in Subdivisions

Current land use regulations in Falmouth require that property owners and/or developers who develop residential subdivisions set aside as permanently protected open space a land area equal to:

- all unsuitable areas for house lots of the development parcel, such as flood plains, wetlands, steep slopes, roads, and easements, plus 30% of the remainder of the development parcel.

6. What percent of land area suitable for development should property owners and/or developers be required to set aside as permanently protected open space in new residential developments in addition to all unsuitable land area of a development parcel?

<input type="checkbox"/>	0%
<input type="checkbox"/>	Less than 10%
<input type="checkbox"/>	10%
<input type="checkbox"/>	30%

<input type="checkbox"/>	50%
<input type="checkbox"/>	More than 50%
<input type="checkbox"/>	Don't Know/No Opinion

7. Open space can be used and managed for a number of purposes. Depending on the suitability of the land, how important is it that the Town manages open space for...

	1 Not at all important	2	3	4	5 Very important
Trails for walking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trails for biking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trails for horseback riding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trails for snowmobiling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trails for motorized off-road recreational vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Organized outdoors events related to open space	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wildlife habitat preservation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Birding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hunting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fishing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scenic quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Land used for farming	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Land used for forestry and wood products	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wetlands and the land adjacent to wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Water quality protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recreation areas such as large parks and playing fields	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recreational use, such as canoeing or kayaking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Smaller, neighborhood parks or playgrounds within walking distance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Areas along waterways, river corridors, and streams	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8. Is there anything else you believe is important for the Town to think about regarding open space acquisition and management?

Conclusion

1. How important is each of the topics below for the future of Falmouth over the next ten years?

	1 Not at all important	2	3	4	5 Very important
Alternative Energy	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Bicycling	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Commercial Development	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Driving/Roads	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Education	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Open Space Preservation	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Public Safety	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Public Sewer	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Public Water	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Residential Development	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Town Center	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Town Services	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Walking	<input type="checkbox"/>				

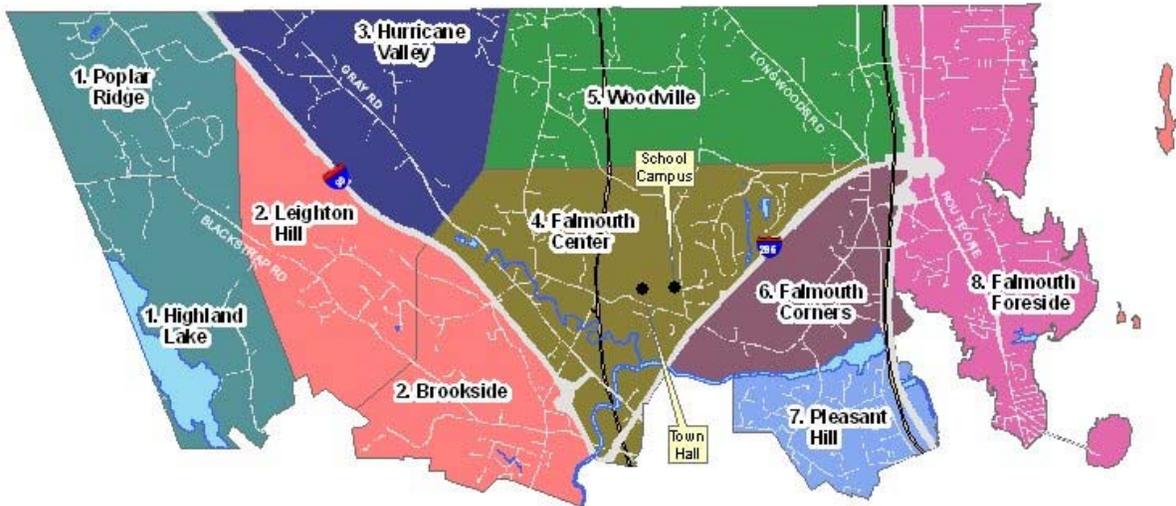
Demographics

These last few questions are for classification purposes only and will remain confidential.

What is your age? < 18 18-34 35-49 50-64 65+

Please indicate your gender: Female Male

Please indicate in which of the following areas of Falmouth you live.



<input type="checkbox"/>	Highland Lake/Poplar Ridge
<input type="checkbox"/>	Leighton Hill/Brookside
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hurricane Valley
<input type="checkbox"/>	Falmouth Center
<input type="checkbox"/>	Woodville

<input type="checkbox"/>	Falmouth Corners
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pleasant Hill
<input type="checkbox"/>	Falmouth Foreside
<input type="checkbox"/>	Do not live in Falmouth

How many adults (18 and older) live in your household? _____

How many children (17 and younger) live in your household? _____

Do any children who live in your household currently attend Falmouth public schools? Yes No N/A

Have any of your children in the past attended Falmouth public schools? Yes No N/A

Have you attended Falmouth public schools? Yes No N/A

Are you a year round resident in Falmouth? Yes No N/A

How many years have you lived in Falmouth? _____

How many years have you lived in your current residence? _____

Do you own a bicycle? Yes No

What is the highest grade or year in school that you have completed?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Less than high school	<input type="checkbox"/>	Four year college degree
<input type="checkbox"/>	High school graduate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Some graduate school
<input type="checkbox"/>	Some college (2-3 year college, technical programs)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Graduate degree

Please circle the number corresponding with your household's total annual income (before taxes).

<input type="checkbox"/>	Less than \$25,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$75,001 - \$100,000
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$25,001 - \$50,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$100,001 - \$150,000
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$50,001 - \$75,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	More than \$150,000

Are you currently working?

Yes

No

Where is your employer located (city or town): _____

What portion of your typical work week do you work from your residence?

	Never		Every day of the week
	One day a week		Not applicable
	2 to 4 days a week		

These next few questions are about your residence.

Do you own your home or do you pay rent?

	Own		Caretaker/parsonage
	Rent		Other, please specify _____

Which best describes your home. Is it a...

	Single Family Home		Condominium or Apartment
	Townhome		Other, please specify _____

If applicable, how large is your lot size?

	1/4 acre or less		2 acres
	1/2 acre		3 to 5 acres
	3/4 acre		6 to 10 acres
	1 acre		10 acres or more

Does your home have...

	Public Water		Private Water/Well
	Public Sewer		Private Septic

Do you have access to the Internet at your home?

Yes

No

Unsure

How do you typically get your news about Falmouth? (Check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	The Forecaster	<input type="checkbox"/>	Internet
<input type="checkbox"/>	The News	<input type="checkbox"/>	Town website
<input type="checkbox"/>	Portland Press Herald/Maine Sunday Telegram	<input type="checkbox"/>	School communications
<input type="checkbox"/>	TV	<input type="checkbox"/>	Word of mouth
<input type="checkbox"/>	Community Cable TV	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify below):
<input type="checkbox"/>	Radio		

Final Survey Question

Is there anything else that the Town should be thinking about as it plans for the future of Falmouth?

Falmouth... in 10 Years?

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Your answers are important to the development of the Comprehensive Plan for Falmouth

The results of this survey will be presented to the Town Council and will be made available on the Town website in summer 2011.

**Please return this survey in the postage-paid business reply envelope
to**

Market Decisions

PO Box 1240

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Please do not return to Town Hall