

Town of Shirley Master Plan Update Resident Survey

(All responses are anonymous)

Please help with the planning process to update the town's Master Plan. The Master Plan is a tool that guides the town for the future.

Completed surveys may be dropped off at the Town Hall, Hazen Library, Lambert Hardware, and the Senior Center.

1. Are you: a resident a business owner both

2. Your age group: 75+ 60-74 45-59 30-44 18-29

3. What do you like about living in Shirley? (Please rank your top three responses)

<input type="checkbox"/> family ties	<input type="checkbox"/> municipal services	<input type="checkbox"/> retail services
<input type="checkbox"/> open spaces	<input type="checkbox"/> access to highways	<input type="checkbox"/> tax rate
<input type="checkbox"/> school system	<input type="checkbox"/> access to commuter rail	<input type="checkbox"/> affordable housing
<input type="checkbox"/> small town/historic	<input type="checkbox"/> convenience to work	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation opportunities
<input type="checkbox"/> employment opportunities	Other (please specify) _____	

4. What do you dislike about living in Shirley? (Please rank your top three responses)

<input type="checkbox"/> school system	<input type="checkbox"/> municipal services	<input type="checkbox"/> development
<input type="checkbox"/> limited opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/> affordable housing	<input type="checkbox"/> retail shopping
<input type="checkbox"/> recreation opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/> traffic	<input type="checkbox"/> tax rate
Other (please specify) _____		

5. What types of housing do you think Shirley needs more of? (Check as many as you wish)

<input type="checkbox"/> single-family homes	<input type="checkbox"/> elderly housing	<input type="checkbox"/> assisted living senior housing
<input type="checkbox"/> duplexes	<input type="checkbox"/> in-law apartments	<input type="checkbox"/> cluster housing developments
<input type="checkbox"/> condominiums	<input type="checkbox"/> multi-families	<input type="checkbox"/> subsidized housing
<input type="checkbox"/> none	Other (please specify) _____	

6. Do you favor zoning changes that would allow for more affordable housing? yes no

7. Would you support an annual allocation to maintain a five year capital plan budget? yes no

8. How do you feel about the following services? (Please circle one)

Access to internet services:	<i>not satisfied</i>	<i>somewhat satisfied</i>	<i>satisfied very satisfied</i>
Cellular phone coverage:	<i>not satisfied</i>	<i>somewhat satisfied</i>	<i>satisfied very satisfied</i>
Trash and recycling:	<i>not satisfied</i>	<i>somewhat satisfied</i>	<i>satisfied very satisfied</i>
Street lighting:	<i>not satisfied</i>	<i>somewhat satisfied</i>	<i>satisfied very satisfied</i>

9. What types of renewable energy would you like for the town to support?
 solar wind geothermal none other _____

10. Do you support the efforts of the town to reduce energy costs? yes no not sure

11. What do you see as a benefit of encouraging more commercial and/or industrial development?
 ___more jobs ___more shopping ___more tax revenue ___more services
12. What are the disadvantages of encouraging commercial and/or industrial development?
 ___traffic ___change in town character ___damage to environment ___loss of open space
13. Where do you want to see more economic/commercial development?
 ___Lancaster Rd. ___Shirley Village ___Rte 2A/Great Rd. ___None _____Other
14. What additional types of business would you like to see in Shirley?
 ___Restaurant ___Cleaners/tailors ___Clothing ___Professional offices ___Retail
 ___Coffee Shop ___Home business ___Agriculture ___Healthcare ___Biotech
 ___Research & development ___Light manufacturing ___Warehouses
 Other (please specify) _____

15. Please rate the following town services: (Circle a rating)

Fire Department	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Police Department	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Ambulance service	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Select Board	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Town Administrator	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Department of Public Works	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Schools	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Sewer	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Board of Health (Trash/Recycling)	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Library	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Planning	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Recreation	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Inspection Services	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Conservation	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Council on Aging (Senior Center)	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Town Clerk	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Finance Departments	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>
Other_____	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>

16. How satisfied are you with access to town services, town offices, etc?
 ___Very satisfied ___Somewhat satisfied ___Not satisfied

Please offer any additional comments: _____
