

TOWN OF CHILMARK, MASSACHUSETTS



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To: Menemsha Business Owners

From: Chilmark Planning Board

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Re: Menemsha Planning

The Planning Board has embarked upon a much needed updating of the Town's Master Plan. The Master Plan, first developed in 1985 and then revised several times (most recently in 2003), provides a wealth of information on the history of the town of Chilmark and its growth while also identifying goals and objectives for the future of the Town.

After a series of discussions with the Board of Selectmen this past spring, the Planning Board's initial focus for the current Master Planning efforts will be Menemsha, with subsequent efforts focusing on the town center and remaining portions of the Town.

The subcommittee of the Planning Board is tasked with the master plan information-gathering process. Its members include Peter Cook, John Eisner, Joan Malkin and Janet Weidner. The subcommittee hopes to gather information from across the community, identify issues and possible solutions, and issue a survey to gather further input. The product of this undertaking will be long-range planning guidelines as well as suggested short-term actions.

We need your help in identifying areas of concern in Menemsha and possible solutions. To that end, we would like to invite you to meet with us on **Thursday, September 29, 2016 at 8:30AM** at the Chilmark Town Hall. We are hoping this date may be a less busy time for you as the season winds down.

In preparation for our discussion, we would ask that you reflect upon your experience in Menemsha and identify two or three things that the Town has tried in Menemsha that you feel were successful as well as two or three things that may not have been so successful.

Thank you in advance for attending this meeting and working with us on this important initiative.

Sincerely,
The Planning Board

Richard Osness, Chair
Peter Cook
John Eisner
Christopher MacLeod
Joan Malkin
Mitchell Posin
Janet Weidner