



Long Range Planning Advisory Committee (LPAC+)

Survey Design

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Survey Introduction

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.

A survey is available online at www.town.falmouth.me.us to share your opinions. Paper copies, with return envelope, are available at the Town Hall, Falmouth Memorial Library, and the customer service desks at Hannaford (West Falmouth Crossing) and Shaw's (Route 1).

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.

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

CONTINUE TO SURVEY

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?**
- 2. Why did you give it that score?**
- 3. What needs to change to increase your score?**

Driving, Bicycling, and Walking

Traffic

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.

Questions:

- 1. Overall, how concerned are you 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.**
- 2. IF RATED 3-5: Are there specific streets or intersections that you believe are particularly congested? (specify)**
- 3. Overall, how concerned are you about speeding on Town roads? Please rate on a scale from 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all concerned and 5 means extremely concerned.**
- 4. IF RATED 3-5: Are there specific streets where you believe speeding is a particular problem? (specify)**

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.

How important is it ...(rate on a scale from 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all important and 5 means very important)

- 5. To extend a bike path/lane network across town?**
- 6. To extend a walkway path/sidewalk network across town?**
- 7. To extend a pedestrian trail network across town?**

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following (rate on a scale from 1 to 5 where 1 means strongly disagree and 5 means strongly agree):

- 8. 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.**
- 9. The Town should install paved shoulders, sidewalks or bike lanes on selected roadways, even if it widens the road in front of my property.**
- 10. Do you currently live on a street that has a sidewalk? (Y/N)**
- 11. IF NO: If your street did have a sidewalk, would you use it? (Y/N)**
- 12. Are there specific roads where the Town should consider installing sidewalks? (Y/N, IF YES: specify)**
- 13. Are there specific roads where the Town should consider installing paved shoulders or bike lanes? (Y/N, IF YES: specify)**

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.

How important is it ...(rate on a scale from 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all important and 5 means very important)

- 14. To have road or path connections between residential developments?**
- 15. That, at the time of subdivision approval, funds for use by the Town should be set aside by the developer for the construction of future road connections to adjacent properties?**
- 16. 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?**

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 type 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.

The Town should...(rate on a scale of 1 to 5 scale where 1 means strongly oppose and 5 means strongly support)

- 17. Use 100% local funds to maintain “State” roads, such as Blackstrap Road, if State funding for such maintenance is unavailable.**
- 18. Defer maintenance of “State” roads until such time when State funding becomes available.**
- 19. 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.)**
- 20. 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.)**

21. When conditions are appropriate, how often do you currently...

	More than once a week	Once a week	2-3 times a month	Once a Month	Less than once a month	Never	N/A
Carpool to work, shopping or entertainment							
Ride the Falmouth Flyer (public bus)							
Walk along Town streets							
Walk or hike on Town trails							
Walk to get to work, shopping, or entertainment							
Ride a bicycle on Town streets							
Ride a bicycle on Town trails or bike paths							
Ride a bicycle to get to work, shopping, or entertainment							

22. When conditions are appropriate, how often would you like to...

	More than once a week	Once a week	2-3 times a month	Once a Month	Less than once a month	Never	N/A
Carpool to work, shopping or entertainment							
Ride the Falmouth Flyer (public bus)							
Walk along Town streets							
Walk or hike on Town trails							
Walk to get to work, shopping, or entertainment							
Ride a bicycle on Town streets							
Ride a bicycle on Town trails or bike paths							
Ride a bicycle to get to work, shopping, or entertainment							

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

Town Services

Existing Town Services

Relative to other towns its size in Maine, Falmouth has a low property tax rate. Traditionally it has been conservative in expanding Town services. Adding services or enhancing services often requires an increase in taxes.

- 1. First, please think about current Town services and programs. 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. (Please select those services you have had interaction with and for each one of those please rate on a scale from 1 to 5 where 1 means very dissatisfied and 5 means very satisfied.)**

- a) Animal Control
- b) Assessing
- c) Code Enforcement and Building Inspection
- d) Community Access Television
- e) Community Programs/Adult Education/Enrichment Programs
- f) Economic Development
- g) Fire Protection
- h) Harbor Master/Town Landing
- i) Land Use Planning
- j) Parks, Athletic Fields, Tennis
- k) Playgrounds
- l) Police Protection/Crime Prevention
- m) Recreational Services Rescue Services/EMS
- n) Road Maintenance
- o) Town Clerk's office, such as motor vehicle transactions and voter registration
- p) Town Trails
- q) Transfer Station
- r) Wastewater Treatment (sewer)
- s) Water Access (other than Town Landing)
- t) Falmouth High School
- u) Falmouth Middle School
- v) Elementary Schools
- w) Falmouth Memorial Library (Note: This is not a Town department, but a close partner with the Town)
- x) Town web site
- y) On-line business transactions through the Town's web site
- z) Falmouth Public Schools web site
- aa) Falmouth Memorial Library web site

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

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.

- a) Community/Recreational Programming and Facilities
- b) Open Space Acquisition
- c) Adult Education/Enrichment Programming
- d) Cultural or Social Programs, such as summer concert series and performing arts
- e) Elderly Services, such as transportation and socialization
- f) Town Landing Facilities
- g) Youth Services, such as GED programs
- h) Senior Center space
- i) Public Transportation
- j) Swimming Pool
- k) Teen Center space
- l) Other: (Specify)

The following question will be combine with Q3 above in one grid.

4. **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 the development of the program or service. (Please rate on a five point scale where 1 is you strongly oppose and five is you strongly support).

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.

Please rate how strongly you support or oppose... (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means strongly oppose and 5 means strongly support):

- 5. The concept of expansion of shared services with nearby communities and/or Cumberland County if there were cost savings for the Town?
- 6. The concept of expansion of shared services with nearby communities and/or Cumberland County, if the services were moved to someplace outside of Falmouth?
- 7. 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:
 - a. Transfer Station

- b. Town Hall business, such as Front Counter, Town Clerk, Assessing, and Permitting**
 - c. Community Programs**
 - d. Library**
- 8. Is there anything else you believe is important for the Town to think about regarding Town services or the sharing of those services?**

Town Center

Community Gathering Space

The opening of the new elementary school in the fall of 2011 has generated many conversations within the community about the use of space that will become available in the Plummer-Motz and Lunt elementary schools and the expectations of residents for a central community gathering space, which some call a “Town Center.”

1. **How important do you believe it is that the Town establish a “Town Center” regardless of where it is located (rate on a scale from 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all important and 5 means very important)**

Next, think about the features that best describe the essence of a “Town Center” to you. How important are the following? Please rate on a scale from 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all important and 5 means very important.

2. **Availability of community activities**
3. **Availability of recreational activities**
4. **Availability of municipal services**
5. **Pedestrian space for walking**
6. **Community Programming**
7. **Adult Education/Enrichment Programming**
8. **Cultural or Social Programs**
9. **Elderly Services/Senior Center**
10. **Youth Services/Teen Center**
11. **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. Currently, a developer who builds a new subdivision pays for the costs of sewer or water extensions and pump station improvements. 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.

How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means strongly disagree and 5 means strongly agree):

- 1. The Town should pro-actively plan for sewer, water, and other utility extensions, where appropriate.**
- 2. The Town should establish a policy that identifies if, and when, the Town will use any Town funds for utility infrastructure costs.**
- 3. The Town should establish a policy that identifies if, and when, a developer can recoup any utility infrastructure costs.**
- 4. The Town should wait for private proposals for sewer, water, and other utility extensions for new developments and respond accordingly.**
- 5. 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

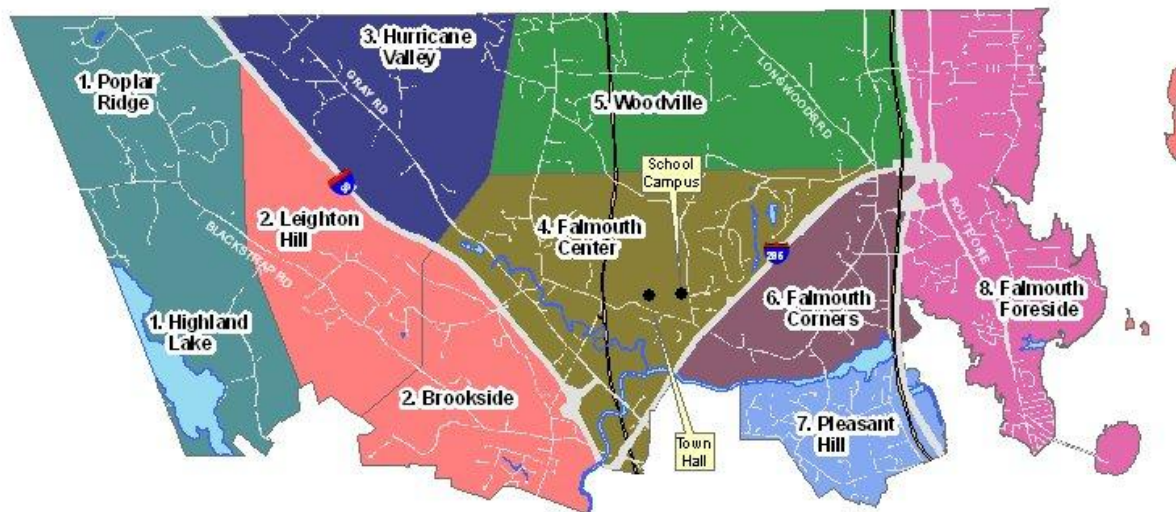
Compact Housing

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, Ocean View at Falmouth off Middle and Falmouth roads, Ridgewood off Falmouth Road, the Woodlands off Woods Road, and Foreside Estates and Tidewater off Clearwater Drive.

How strongly do you support or oppose the following polices? Please rate on a scale from 1 to 5 where 1 means strongly opposed and 5 means strongly support.

1. Development of compact housing in existing neighborhoods.
2. Development of compact housing in new neighborhoods.
3. Development of single family compact housing.
4. Development of multi-family compact housing.
5. Optional development of compact housing for developers.
6. Mandatory development of compact housing in selected, suitable areas for developers.
7. Development of large residential lots instead of compact housing.



8. Which areas in Falmouth are, in your opinion, suitable for compact housing? Use the map for reference purposes if it is helpful to you. Specify.

On a scale from 1 to 5, where 1 is not at all interested and 5 is very interested, how interested are you in...

- 9. Living in, or moving to, a compact housing neighborhood in Falmouth now or in the future?**

If rated 4 or 5, how interested are you in a compact housing neighborhood that includes:

- 10. Single family homes on small lots**
- 11. Multi-family housing**
- 12. A mix of residential and commercial uses**

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.

- 13. Should the Town develop smaller zoning districts that more closely relate to the character of existing development in each neighborhood?**
- 14. Should the Town allow small-scale “corner” grocery stores in residential neighborhoods?**
- 15. 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.

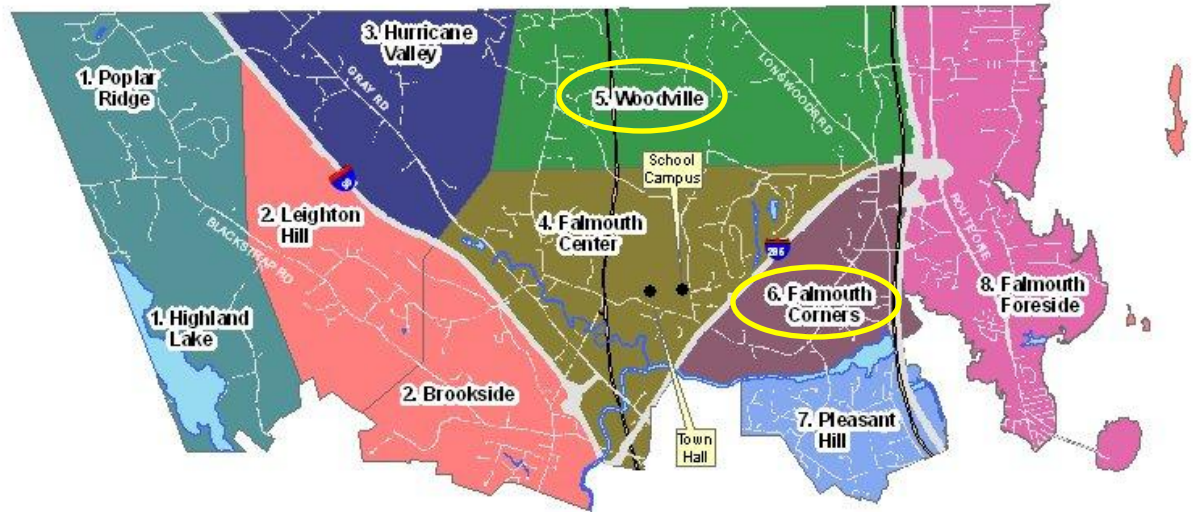
16. How supportive are you for the Town to undertake large scale neighborhood Master Planning efforts (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means not supportive at all and 5 means very supportive)?



17. If rated 4 or 5: For which neighborhoods should the Town prepare a Master Plan? Specify.

18. 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 (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means not supportive at all and 5 means very supportive)?

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



20. How familiar are you with past residential Master Planning efforts by the Town in the Woodville neighborhood (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all familiar and 5 means very familiar)? See map.

If rated 1 or 2, please go to Q23.

21. 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? (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means very dissatisfied and 5 means very satisfied)?

22. How effective do you think the Town's past Master Planning efforts in the Woodville neighborhood have been in guiding development? (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means not effective at all and 5 means very effective)?

23. How familiar are you with past residential Master Planning efforts by the Town in the Falmouth Corners neighborhood (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all familiar and 5 means very familiar)? See map.

If rated 1 or 2, please go to Q26.

24. 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? (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means not effective at all and 5 means very effective)?

25. How effective do you think the Town's past Master Planning efforts in the Falmouth Corners neighborhood have been in guiding development? (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all familiar and 5 means very familiar)?

26. 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”)?
2. Why did you give it that score?
3. What needs to change to increase 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 issues that the Town will have to consider resulting from such development. Any future development will likely impact the Town and its residents.

Would you support or oppose future business and commercial development along the Route 1 corridor if it... (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means strongly oppose and 5 means strongly support)?

4. Leads to increased traffic.
5. Reduces buffers between business and residential areas.
6. Has an impact on the rural character of the community.
7. Requires Town investments in infrastructure such as roads, water, and sewer.
8. Provides employment opportunities for people in the community.
9. Provides more opportunities for local shopping, entertainment, and dining.
10. Provides more walkability.
11. Generates additional revenue for the Town through new property and equipment taxes and relieves some of the burden on residential taxpayers.

Would you support or oppose future business and commercial development along the Route 100 corridor if it... (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means strongly oppose and 5 means strongly support)?

12. Leads to increased traffic.
13. Reduces buffers between business and residential areas.
14. Has an impact on the rural character of the community.
15. Requires Town investments in infrastructure such as roads, water, and sewer.
16. Provides employment opportunities for people in the community.
17. Provides more opportunities for local shopping, entertainment, and dining.
18. Provides more walkability.
19. Generates additional revenue for the Town through new property and equipment taxes and relieves some of the burden on residential taxpayers.

20. Which of the following uses do you find appropriate for the following areas along Route 1? (rate each on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means strongly oppose and 5 means strongly support)

	Between Route 88 and Turnpike Spur	North of Turnpike Spur to Cumberland line
Retail, entertainment, dining, services		
Big box retail		
Professional office		
Light manufacturing		

21. Which of the following uses do you find appropriate for the following areas along Route 100? (rate each on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means strongly oppose and 5 means strongly support)

	Between Portland line and Leighton Road	Between Leighton Road and Mountain Road	Between Mountain Road and Cumberland line
Retail, entertainment, dining, services			
Big box retail			
Professional office			
Light manufacturing/industrial			
Industrial			
Multifamily residential and compact housing			

22. 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. 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.

The Town should...(rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means strongly oppose and 5 means strongly support)

- 1. Implement policies requiring or encouraging “green” building practices in Town buildings, paying attention to energy efficiency, indoor environmental quality, durable materials and minimum impact on natural resources.**
- 2. Encourage development of alternative energy by businesses.**
- 3. Encourage development of alternative energy by residents.**
- 4. Encourage development of alternative energy by the Town (municipal power).**
- 5. Encourage development of the infrastructure required for electric cars (charging terminals).**
- 6. Establish Town regulations to allow the development of these alternative energy sources (rate each one):**
 - a. Wind**
 - b. Solar**
 - c. Natural gas**
 - d. Wood**
 - e. Geothermal**
 - f. Tidal**
- 7. Are you currently interested in installing alternative energy systems at your residence (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where one means not at all interested and 5 means very interested)?**
- 8. How likely would you be to install alternative energy systems at your residence in the next 10 years (rate on a scale of 1 to 5 where one means not at all likely and 5 means very likely)?**
- 9. 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. 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... (rated on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means very dissatisfied and 5 means very satisfied):

- 1. The Town's efforts to acquire open space.**
- 2. If rated 1 or 2: Why are you dissatisfied?**
- 3. The Town's efforts to preserve and manage the open space it has already acquired.**
- 4. If rated 1 or 2: Why are you dissatisfied?**

How strongly do you support the following ... (rated on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means strongly disagree and 5 means strongly agree):

- 5. The Town acquiring more open space.**
- 6. The Town spending tax funds to continue to buy more open space.**
- 7. The Town leveraging alternative funds through grants and other resources to continue to buy more open space.**
- 8. The Town placing a priority on managing and improving the open space and conservation lands it already has rather than acquiring new open space.**
- 9. Requiring developers to set aside land as open space in new residential developments through zoning ordinance requirements.**

Open Space in Subdivisions

Current land use regulations in Falmouth require that 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. Note: This was recently changed by the Council from 50 to 30%.

10. What percent of land area suitable for development should developers be required to set aside as permanently protected open space in new residential developments in addition to all unsuitable land area of their development parcel?

- a. Less than 10%**
- b. 10%**
- c. 30%**
- d. 50%**
- e. More than 50%**

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... (rated on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all important and 5 means very important):

- 11. Trails for walking**
- 12. Trails for biking**
- 13. Trails for horseback riding**
- 14. Trails for snowmobiling**
- 15. Trails for motorized off-road recreational vehicles**
- 16. Organized outdoors events related to open space**
- 17. Wildlife habitat preservation**
- 18. Birding**
- 19. Hunting**
- 20. Fishing**
- 21. Scenic quality**
- 22. Land used for farming**
- 23. Land used for forestry and wood products**
- 24. Wetlands and the land adjacent to wetlands**
- 25. Water quality protection**
- 26. Recreation areas such as large parks and playing fields**
- 27. Recreational use, such as canoeing or kayaking**
- 28. Smaller, neighborhood parks or playgrounds within walking distance**
- 29. Areas along waterways, river corridors, and streams**
- 30. 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? (Rate each topic on a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 means not at all important and 5 means very important)**
 - a. Alternative Energy**
 - b. Bicycling**
 - c. Commercial Development**
 - d. Driving/Roads**
 - e. Education**
 - f. Open Space Preservation**
 - g. Public Safety**
 - h. Public Sewer**
 - i. Public Water**
 - j. Residential Development**
 - k. Town Center**
 - l. Town Services**
 - m. Walking**

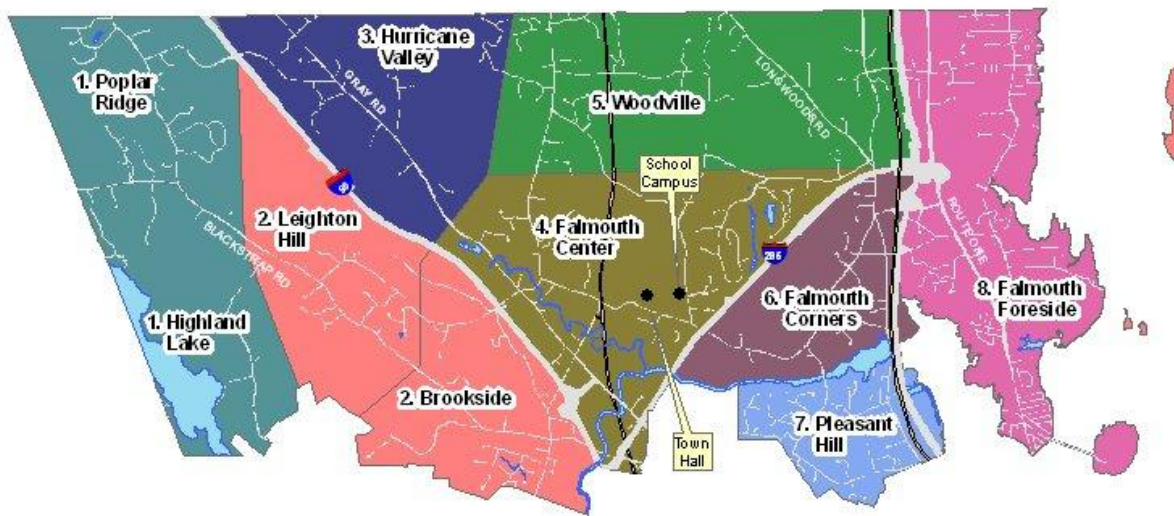
Demographics

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.



1. Highland Lake/Poplar Ridge
2. Leighton Hill/Brookside
3. Hurricane Valley
4. Falmouth Center
5. Woodville
6. Falmouth Corners
7. Pleasant Hill
8. Falmouth Foreside
9. 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?

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 (specify city or town)?

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

- a. Never
- b. One day a week
- c. Two to four days a week
- d. Every day of the week
- e. N/A

These next few questions are about your residence.

Do you own your home or do you pay rent?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Own	<input type="checkbox"/>	Caretaker/parsonage
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other, please specify _____

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

<input type="checkbox"/>	Single Family Home	<input type="checkbox"/>	Condominium or Apartment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Townhome	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other, please specify _____

If applicable, how large is your lot size?

<input type="checkbox"/>	1/4 acre or less	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 acres
<input type="checkbox"/>	1/2 acre	<input type="checkbox"/>	3 to 5 acres
<input type="checkbox"/>	3/4 acre	<input type="checkbox"/>	6 to 10 acres
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 acre	<input type="checkbox"/>	10 acres or more

Does your home have...

<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Water	<input type="checkbox"/>	Private Water/Well
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Sewer	<input type="checkbox"/>	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)

- a. The Forecaster**
- b. The News**
- c. Portland Press Herald/Maine Sunday Telegram**
- d. TV**
- e. Community Cable TV**
- f. Radio**
- g. Internet**
- h. Town website**
- i. School communications**
- j. Word of mouth**
- k. Other (please specify): _____**

Final Survey Question

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

Closing

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.