



## Fast Facts: Long Island 2022 Comprehensive Plan

- The state of Maine encourages municipalities to undertake an extensive strategic planning exercise every 10 to 12 years. The 18-month process seeks to engage the local community in creating a vision for the future and a roadmap to guide it.
- The comprehensive plan state template includes a wide range of topics such as economy, infrastructure, housing, finances, and natural resources. For each topic, the process requires data collection and analysis as well as development of recommendations for the future. The state provides attractive economic incentives for communities to undertake this work.
- The process encourages continual community engagement to ensure alignment with a vision crafted with the community. Not surprisingly, the Long Island community was extremely engaged throughout the process with over 400 people becoming involved in some way. Over 40% of the island's highest population responded to the survey with thoughtful input, well above average response rates.
- There was significant turnout at public forums on a variety of topics, input from a comprehensive plan email account, conversations during 'house drops' with survey information, as well as interviews with many experts in the community. Community members were directly involved, eager to facilitate workshops and forums, collect and analyze data, produce maps, contribute photographs, write, and edit the report. Citizen input is the basis of the committee's work.
- At two visioning workshops held in the fall of 2021, over 60 community members met over Zoom and in person to create the town's vision and underlying values: Long Island will be Resilient, Equitable, Livable, Resourceful and demonstrate its Community Spirit. The vision statement and these values served as the "north star" for the plan.
- The comprehensive plan's intent is to provide a general framework and guardrails to guide decisions as the town moves forward over the next 12 years in a direction consistent and aligned with the vision the community has for the future.
- If the plan is approved at town meeting in 2022, no monies will be invested or ordinances changed without future town meeting approval.
- The vote at town meeting will be to adopt the Comprehensive Plan dated 2022. If adopted, the implementation of strategies outlined in the plan will move forward.

## **Long Island Comprehensive Plan Committee**

The committee consists of a mix of seasonal and year-round residents and stakeholders affiliated with a variety of town committees and community groups.

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