

Shelburne OSRP Survey Results Summary

Survey was available and open from November 15, 2022 to January 31, 2023

Total Surveys Completed: 252 (234 e-surveys using SurveyMonkey and 18 paper surveys)

Shelburne population: 1,436. US Census Bureau: 2021 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Estimates (2017-2021)

Postcards mailed to 1,139 postal customers in Shelburne, including PO Boxes

Return rate was approximately 17.5% of Shelburne's population.

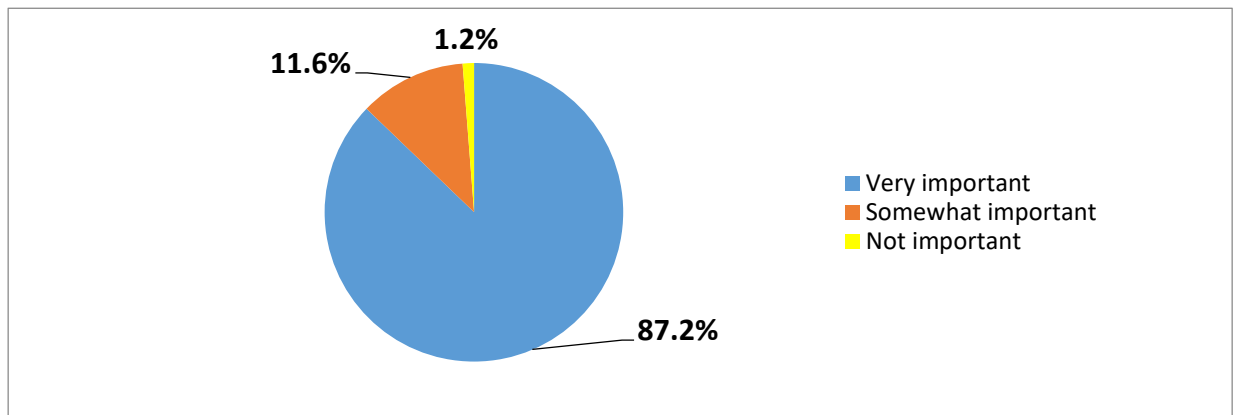
Some highlights:

- There were 252 surveys completed, and the free responses indicated that residents put care into sharing their ideas about open space and recreation.
 - Respondents were mostly homeowners in Shelburne (62%). Renters made up 15% and farm owners 7%.
 - Ages of household members were mostly 45 years old and up, but we did get a decent number in each age group.
 - About an equal percentage of respondents lived in Shelburne Falls village vs. outside the village, and a good variety of streets in each. There were a few surveys completed by folks from Buckland and Charlemont, probably due to sending postcards to PO address boxes and postings on Facebook. It was not a large enough number to throw off results.
 - Top open space concerns were access to the river and trails, preserving farmland, and increasing the amount of public spaces and parks.
 - Residents pretty universally engage in walking/jogging, hiking, gardening, birdwatching, nature observation, swimming, and photography in town and nearby.
 - The top open spaces and recreation resources used in town are the Bridge of Flowers, the Pothole viewing area, High Ledges, the Fire Tower Trails, Arms Cemetery, and the park at Water & Main Streets.
 - High priorities for expanding or creating recreation resources is access to the Deerfield River for a variety of uses; hiking and walking trails both in the village, outside of the village, and linked with areas of town; public restrooms; access to the Potholes; and bike paths/trails/lanes.
 - If the town increased its offering of recreation activities, respondents were most likely to participate in nature walks or guided hikes, fitness classes, or arts & crafts activities.
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OPEN SPACE QUESTIONS

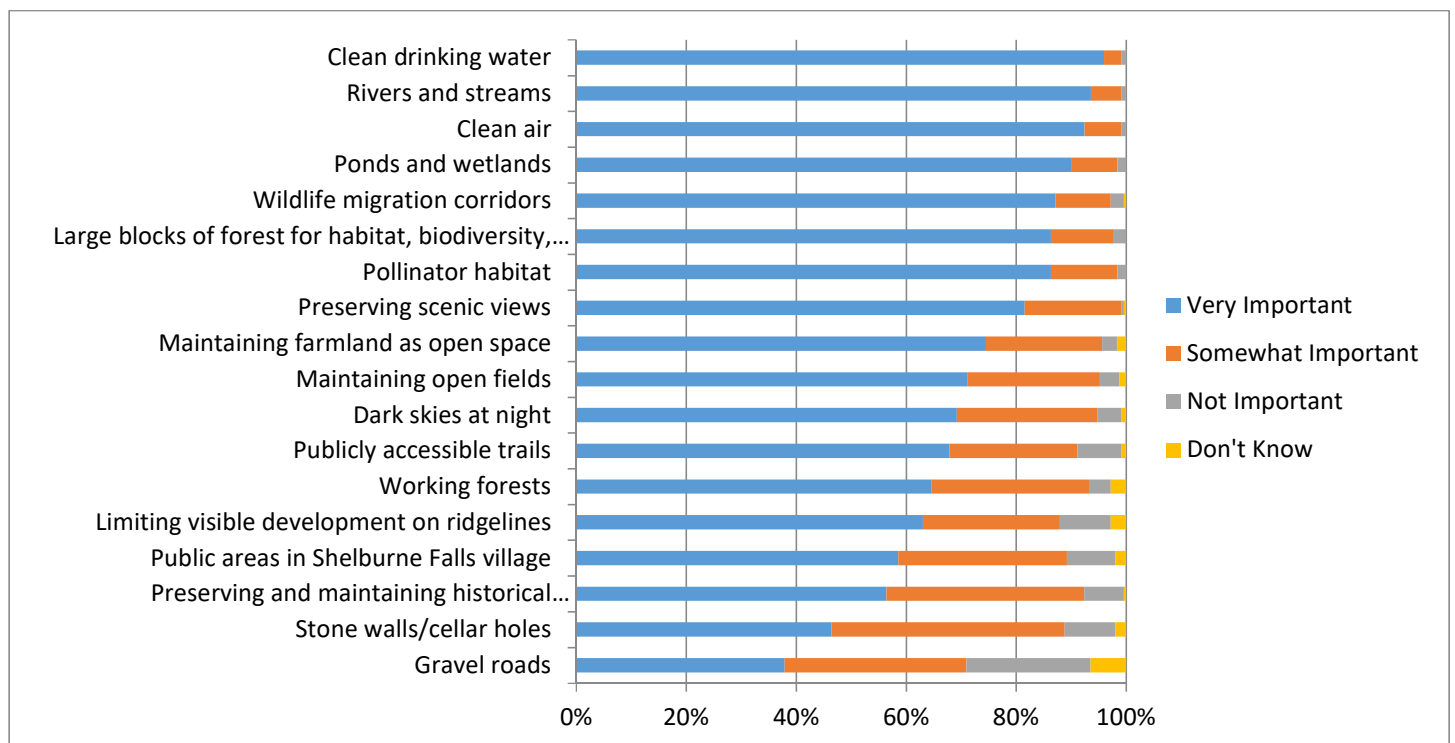
Question 1: How important is it to you to preserve the rural and agricultural character of Shelburne?

Answered: 250 / Skipped: 2



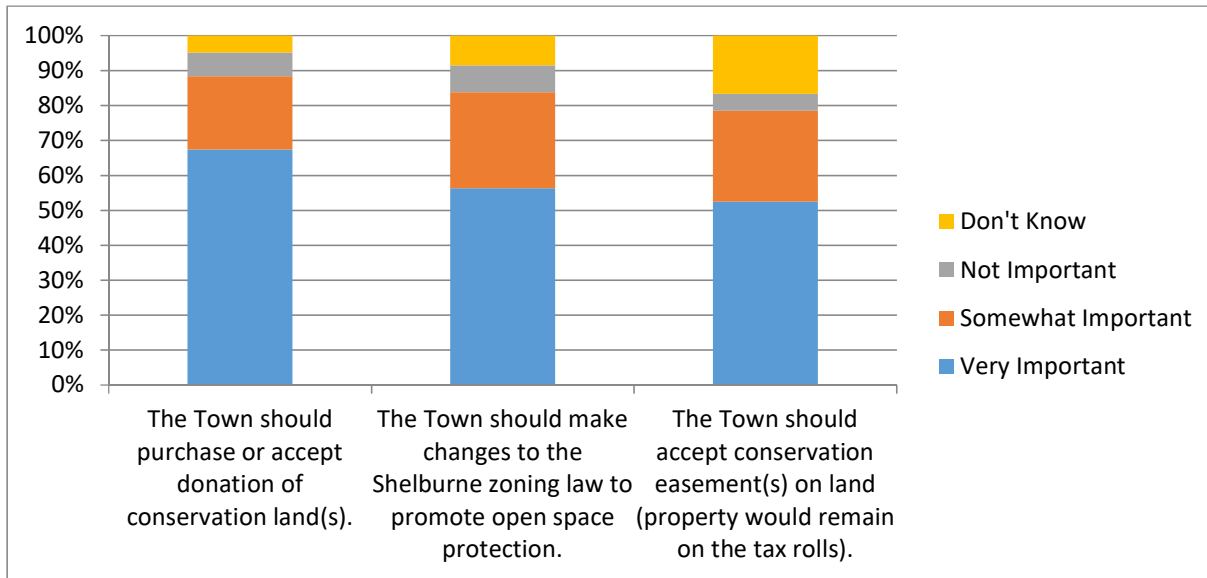
Question 2: Open space in this survey refers to undeveloped land (fields, forests and wetlands, etc.) with particular conservation, recreation, or scenic interest. These can be public or privately owned. How important is it to you to conserve these natural and scenic resources?

Answered: 251 / Skipped: 1



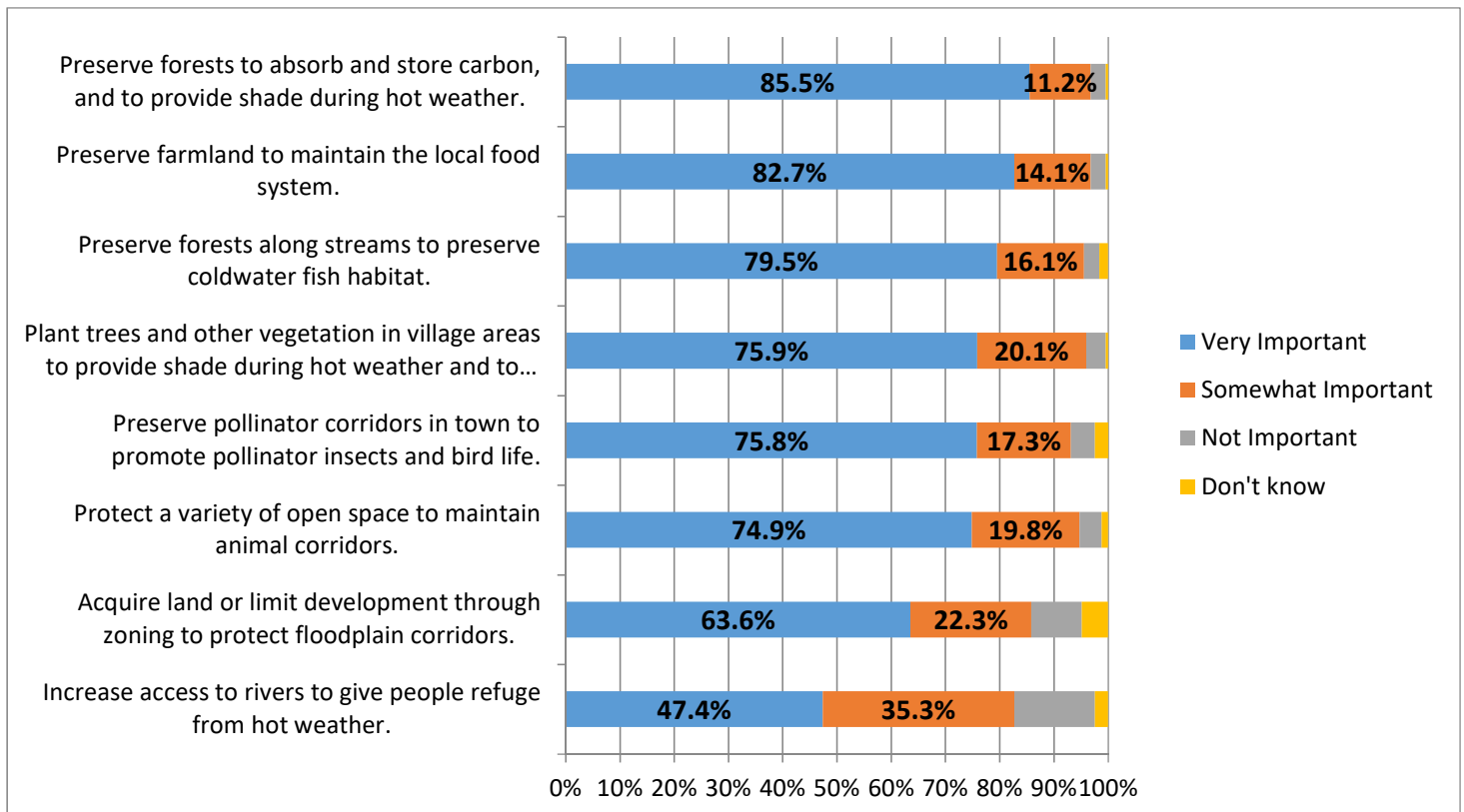
Question 3: How important is it for Shelburne to move forward on the following open space protection measures?

Answered: 248 / Skipped: 4



Question 4: How important are the following strategies in the face of climate change?

Answered: 249 / Skipped: 3



Question 5: What is your top interest or concern about open space in the town of Shelburne?

176 respondents weighed in with interests and concerns. Common answers are summarized below in a “word cloud.” All individual answers are included below that.



Key words mentioned repeatedly:

Access (46)	Public (26) – related to	Village (15)	Character (8)
Land (41)	access, lands, spaces, parks	Rural (15)	Dogs (7)
River (27)	Farm/farming/farmers	Wildlife (13)	Potholes (5)
Trail (26)	(20)	Hiking (8)	

Question 5 responses: top interests and concerns about open space in Shelburne
Keeping land and keeping housing affordable.
Mitigating effects of climate change. Protecting the rural character of the town.
Saving/adding trees and pollinator food and habitat
Maintain character of village
Preservation!
Large space, accessible to all abilities and persons (wheelchair, walkers, canes, etc.)
Preserve them [open spaces] and protect habitat
No comment
Top interest is to preserve the natural beauty of the area we live in from over-development, establish a recreation plan that respects the preservation of open space, and provides opportunity to grow our food locally.

Question 5 responses: top interests and concerns about open space in Shelburne
To conserve land and farms from development.
Securing access to town-owned land along the Deerfield River from the village.
Are not "our" landowners doing this and have been for generations?
My main concern is that the rural small town character of Shelburne could easily become eroded through "Approval Not Required" development along the rural roads and that farmland and forests will dwindle, turning into sterile lawns and development.
More public spaces to look at/get near the falls & potholes & river -- preserve vistas & give seating. Also, more pop-up sales on streets to let artists sell.
Interest: establish a dog park (gated). Concern: that it's being diminished
To conserve as much undeveloped land as possible, and to limit development in rural areas.
Not developing on natural land, preventing light pollution. and preserving habitats.
That they are pushing for a dead end trail which would open up access to the potholes and disturb an amazing wildlife corridor/haven . It would also cross over what I believe are some wetlands. I strongly feel this area should be protected and not developed. The town closed the potholes because of issues of misuse and this would no doubt become another misused over run area. Open Space should be working on protecting areas not developing.
Protection of open natural areas for wildlife, clean water, and the beauty of our rural town. This is especially important in this scary time of climate change and declines of so many species of wildlife (birds, insects, etc.).
Preserving pristine and undeveloped wild spaces for humans and wildlife, with special consideration to protect drinking water. As a swimmer, I'd love a place to swim in town.
Wildlife habitat, reservation
TO MAINTAIN A BALANCE OF PRESERVATION AND GROWTH
Local food, hiking trails
I'm too new in town to know how to apply general climate change and habitat concerns , which are a cute, to this specific locale. Try me in a year or two!
River and trail access. Shelburne Falls has an amazing river, but most of the housing and commercial buildings face away from the river. Time to figure out how to have a little greenway so we can see and enjoy the river!
I'm concerned the focus has been on river access more so than open space. There are many with large tracts of open field that I'd like to see outreach on estate planning/donation, tax considerations to opening for hiking/walking.
There is very little public open land in Shelburne (no state or town forest or parks), so most open space needs to come from private landowners. We can acquire land when possible, but need to work with landowners to maintain working farms and forests for the long term. Your survey does not mention rare and endangered species, but these are important and should be addressed where possible.
Find ways to make it publicly accessible by trail
That it's interest do not interfere with a landowner's rites.
Basically all of the above. Preservation of migration corridors, including light pollution, essential. Keep our ridgelines free from visible development/clearcutting - as per the Crittenhill disaster. Keep rivers and streams clean.
I would love to see an easy public boat launch (for motorless boats) in town on the Deerfield River, and/or improved access for Wilcox Hollow (both driving down and getting a boat in the water).
Creating and improving walking trails and park areas
trails accessible from own centers
Seek dialog to reopen (while addressing the owners issues) the M&M trail across the Gould property along the Deerfield River. I think this closure has been unfortunate. Perhaps volunteer trail stewards could help mitigate potential trail damage, littering etc.
The building of large, expensive dwellings. Housing development of primarily rural properties whose owners pass away. Shelburne is experiencing a period of growth in which many of the people who have been here for generations can no longer afford to live here.
Environment/Forest protection
There is currently no public river access in the Village.

Question 5 responses: top interests and concerns about open space in Shelburne
That large tracts of farmland not be developed.
Maintenance of public spaces
Access to the waterfront in town
Not a top interest but having a huge fenced in dog park would be great. So many dogs are kept on leases or indoors. I'm not a dog owner but I think this would be great!
It is not the Town's job to do this work. Let the landowners. Good people are moving into town. Farmers historically have maintained much of what you have listed. Let them do it, and not feel you have to legislate every step. People who buy land for the view, will maintain that if they can.
Not enough places for kids to play
Dollars to purchase crs
No more wealthy people who post their land so no one else can enjoy it.
Maintaining it's small town charm.
The environment is obviously important but so is affordable housing, economic development, and a diverse population to support our business, culture, and schools.
Public park and or bike path
Open land not for building of new structures
Preserve forests for diverse plant and wildlife habitat and carbon sequestration.
My concerns are very broad/wholistic in that they include Habitat preservation, bio-diversity, clean water, and climate change mitigation. Would also like to see ridge lines protected in the future.
Access, particularly rivers and places with our dogs
Preserving the natural beauty of the area while also providing access to this for all to enjoy
Keeping forest land, promoting pollinators, animal corridor, access to water for town residents
That we can have public access balanced with protecting habitats
Protection of our environment and reestablishment of protected spaces for environmental protection. Also, dark skies are vitally important!!!!!! Please please please prioritize protecting dark skies
Public access
Keeping them and public access
It's all inclusive: preserve the rural nature of our town and work smart to counteract climate change.
I wish there was more hiking that was dog friendly
Nature preservation
clean air
Protecting natural habitats and combating climate change is always #1 no matter what. Preventing greed from harming the ecosystems is crucial. I'll pay extra taxes to ensure this.
More walking trails, biking trails, ski trails etc to encourage outdoor activity
Ensuring that farm families who are land rich and cash poor have a fair way to access a fair price for their land if they need it. Exploring what restorative justice means for the Nipmuc, Pocumtuc, Mohican, and Wabanaki people who lived here before their land was taken from them.
Maintaining a rural town which preserves nature and farming over commercial interests and maintains natural beauty.
Maintaining forests and open fields
That, if not protected, the land will be developed in housing communities or developments without thought of impact on rural farmers and sustainability of their way of life.
I know its impossible but I would love access to a 1-5 mile bike path from the downtown
Open meetings for residents to share their views
Public access to land for recreational purposes and preventing development of ridge lines.
Expanding and linking trails for non motorized recreation.
Important to maintain rural character.
I believe you've listed them all

Question 5 responses: top interests and concerns about open space in Shelburne
Government Overreach - Mandates - proof of medical status to access public lands
Zoning laws
Maintaining open fields and farmland as open space, Public areas in Shelburne Falls village and dark skies at night.
Don't know enough yet. Farms shutting down seems to be the most timely issue, but preserving wildness and semi-wildness is important to me.
Support of agricultural land
Stop allowing people to clear cut the mountains surrounding the village to build on. This has partially ruined the feel of our town. Looming buildings over our village is not ok.
Keeping the integrity of our small town and the lands open and undisturbed. Also, keeping the housing market accessible to those who grew up here.
Access to trails and rivers.
Opportunity to reach trails and the river from the village without having to drive.
Removing bittersweet (especially) and other invasive species that are killing trees!!
clean water and public access to rivers
My biggest concern is that we develop smart— that environmental laws and refining are not used by the rich or NIMBY folks to prevent affordable housing, solar projects or other smart and critical development that will benefit the greater good
Our rivers and streams protected from runoff from the roads. Woods to walk in are important to me.
Don't overly advertise the river access to people from out of the area.
Public access to rivers, streams.
Preserving and maintaining open space with a reasonable understanding of the importance of development, respect for long term land owners and the burden of taxes.
Creating more public access to River that creates brings trash and total lack of respect for the beautiful area—think sunburn beach area
Access to farming and access to all public lands and conservation lands for hunting use. It is important to open areas for hunters as they contri use the most to conservation and regulating a healthy wildlife population.
Helping farmers stay in business and attracting future farmers.
Preserving and restoring ecosystems and biodiversity and ensuring climate change resilience
All of it is interdependent for environmental community climate and wildlife resilience as well as economic boons
Reopen the Potholes, maintain Wilcox Hollow access road, boat/fish/swim access on DOT easement under Rte 2 bridge. Bardwell's Ferry area access...
I'm very upset about homes being built on the ridgeline.
Access to riverfront and river water
That it not become part of the recommendation that multi housing should be considered
Open space should automatically have a low tax rate.
Besides the above importance of not having development encroach on the natural beauty and natural resilience and resources that Shelburne has, We're interested in more effort being put into tick control. Global warming will increase occurrences of and bring new diseases to Franklin county. Shelburne could benefit from implementing a solution like the deer-bating stations described here: https://www.easthamptonstar.com/government-villages-nature/2022519/targeting-ticks-killing-them-their-hosts and here: https://www.deerfriendly.com/lyme-disease/4-poster-system-for-tick-control . Other towns in Massachusetts and across the East Coast have implemented studies into these tick station deployments. Maybe Shelburne could try out these stations as well."
Not developing public trails too close to quiet residential neighborhoods.
The Open Space Committee has done wonderful work developing and maintaining hiking trails in rural areas. I'm concerned about the NIMBY backlash they have encountered while trying to provide a walking path in the village. I would like to see a Town policy that supports the work of the Open Space Committee .
Overuse by humans; invasive plants; educating the public on natural resources and value of preserving them; get rid of lawns/pesticides; ban leaf blowing, weed whacking, clearing/disposing of leaf litter, etc

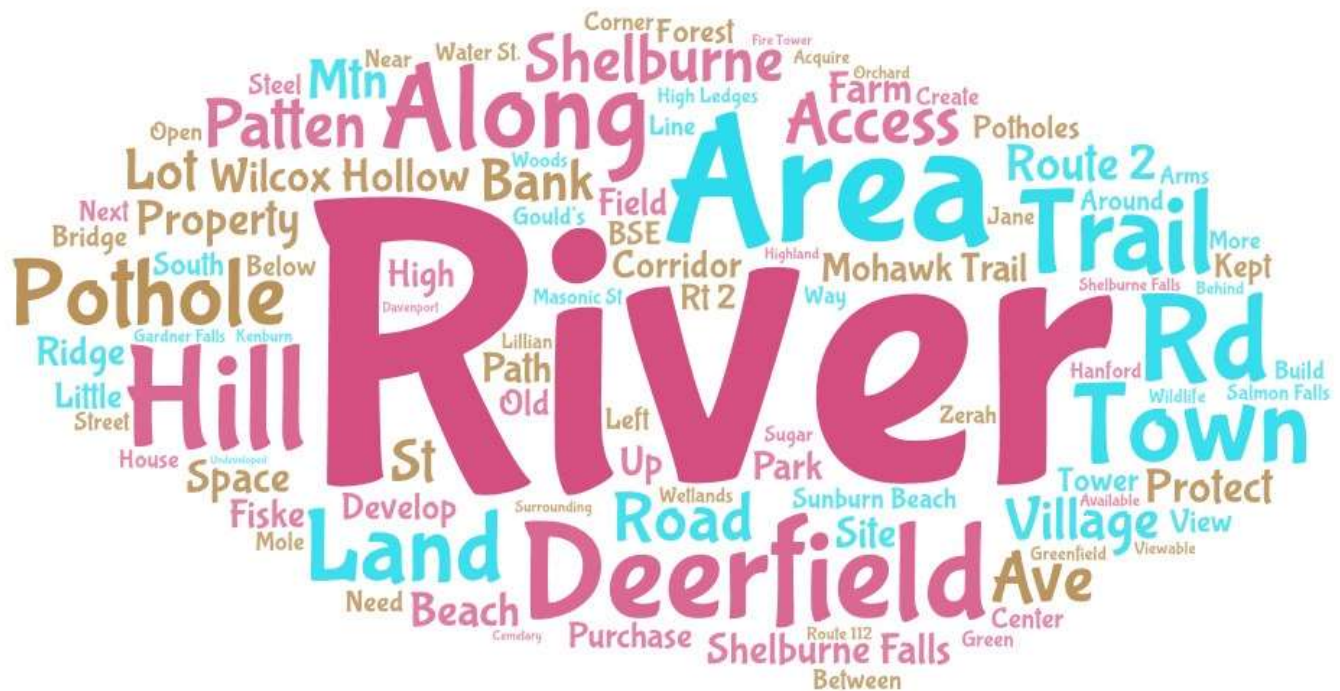
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Although I agree with most mentioned, the roads need to have better reflective paint with clear lanes and overhead street lights at all intersections for the safety of all. Safety matters as much as any other issue - and should be viewed as a necessity, not an inconvenience.
We want hiking trails accessible by foot from the Village and better River access!
preserve dark nights, preserve areas along river from foot traffic, preserve river wildlife in the village
I really want trail access from town into woods, river access. Right now only landowners have access. Village residents have to drive, use gasoline, to access trails. This is elitist.
Too easy for 2-6 acre lots to gobble up farm and forest land. Everyone seems to mow all the native species down and have big lawns. I would like to encourage smaller lots and more density in the village center and in other pockets of space, while maintaining larger connected undeveloped parcels. Also, encourage and somehow give people credit for planting more native species and having more diversity in their yards. Also, to encourage invasives control, I think it would be helpful to help people identify them and have a facility where people could bring them, because no one knows what to do with them.
Don't regulate too much! Be realistic about preserving farmland if there are no farmers to make it work.
River access
More river access
Some of the questions I was unable to answer because I feel that I don't have enough information yet.
City people taking over our town, ignoring no trespassing, no swimming, stay on trail, and polluting our waterways and land.
Provide more trails (easy and intermediate) for locals and visitors. Keep the rural atmosphere by not over-developing yet still supporting an emerging crafts village and a sustainable tourist destination.
Preservation of forests and fields, land along rivers and streams, and that of wetlands of all varieties, in order to guarantee a thriving and diverse community of plants animals and insects.
I believe we need to address the loss of population and jobs at the same time we address open space. As people leave, schools close and tax revenue decline, we will be forced to do things quite differently. History says we *always* vote against business and jobs, often under the guise of "preservation and conservation", and for this reason our economy is where it is now. Franklin County population has declined steadily for the last 20 years, primarily due to lack of jobs and lack of housing, both of which are a result of overzealous anti-development zoning. While it's wonderful to protect all open space, it makes little sense if there's nobody here to appreciate it! Please consider broadening this study beyond simply asking how important open space is. Of course it's important. But other things are important too, like the economic survival of the area. Right now we're on life support from Boston for nearly everything, because we've closed off all other sources of funding via "zoning out" all development and business. Finally a simple request: Please ask the Mountain Lodge of Masons and the Shelburne Fire District to PLEASE TURN OFF that Christmas spotlight shining out of the fire tower. It's obnoxious and probably illegal (not everyone here is Christian), not to mention a blight on our dark night skies.
Rural characteristics. Climate stabilization
Conserving forests.
protecting nature, mitigating climate change, keeping natural places pristine
having an aesthetically designed and thought out plan. Not just a slab of grass.
That the open spaces will be fill with things that don't need to be there just because we get grant Money. Or Just because one small group wants something but it doesn't benefit a large group of the community
Attempt to include in the conversation a cross section of homeowners: newcomers as well as those here for generations
Accessibility
system of hiking trails
My top concern is these efforts are designed to prevent development of much needed housing. Addressing climate change at the town level is ridiculous. There is plenty of forest. Shelburne is home a small portion of it, and it's

Question 5 responses: top interests and concerns about open space in Shelburne
development and the development of farm land for large solar arrays and housing is necessary. There is a lot of talk of land conservation and not enough talk of increasing housing density.
Reserving the rural character of Shelburne
Preserving the rural character of the town.
Preserving farmland
Clear information on issues requiring input from voters/residents
Provide alternatives for dog walkers to keep them out of High Ledges.
Would like to see more recreation opportunities for young children. This includes places to swim and cool off (like small splashpads), playgrounds, winter activity spaces like sledding and ski hills, permanent access to sunburn Beach. Families with young children don't see Shelburne Falls as a good place to move bc everyone is too old (sorry) and there's nothing to do without driving to greenfield or turners. Playground at BSE is 'well worn'. Could use some upgrades or an additional playground near Arms academy
Public access to forests with trails (and second, dark skies).
Tax implications. Town taxes are too high based on the average wage and age of residents.
All the above are great. Can we also find space for a dog park? Also develop a downtown park gathering area, lastly make bridge street a no ar area. Have parking in side lots, traffic can go around and make Shelburne Falls a walking village
Forests that are not logged. Solar with pollinator habitat
Keeping wildlife and plant life biodiversity and keeping Ridgeline views undisturbed.
I worry about that beautiful parcel of land across from Gould's Sugar House. It would be a shame to see that sold for development. Has anyone thought about seeing if it could be purchased by the state as a state park. It would also include access to the Deerfield River
Preservation from development combined with access for non-motorized recreation
All of the above on #4. Everything is connected as one system so doing all those items is important.
Hiking trails and climate mitigation
Too many pastures turning into brush.
Land that is deemed of interest to the town - that the land owners won't be properly compensated or don't want to sell will be forced to lose their land
Keep agricultural land owned by farmers.
Careful development-- maintaining animal corridors, floodplain corridors, and pollinator corridors
First, protect land from development. Use CPA and other funds to buy parcels so beautiful areas don't turn into suburbia. Second, follow Ashfield's lead and work with landowners to create a large network of public access trails so people can be outside.
Publicly accessible trails
Limit building on usable farm land
Maintainance of wildlife habitat; support species diversity; set a precedent for awareness of human impact; reducing development...
Preserve for the public good, not special interests, whether they be financial or environmental. A fine line to tread.
It is important to me that Shelburne plan and implement road maintenance and construction in a way that slows traffic to promote the rural town feeling that we all moved to Shelburne for. Open space, view shed protection and protected environments are welcome and desireable. But if you can't enjoy living in one of Shelburne's beautiful original houses because the cars speed by and the intersections are dangerous, we might as well be Greenfield. You may think this comment is irrelevant to the survey, but the town's feel and character very much includes it's roads and the design of those roads is key to keeping Shelburne lovely, rural and safe.
Maintaining a balanced and healthy ecosystem for humans and other animals.
over use
Open space accessible from town. Direct access to Mohawk/Mahican. Direct access to Fire Tower. Encourage Goulds to open their section of trail!!!

Question 5 responses: top interests and concerns about open space in Shelburne
Keep as much land as possible open, especially what is or has been farmed now or in the past.
Wildlife conservation.
Maintaining farmland
retaining open space
My property taxes
Creating affordable housing for families to help relieve development pressure, tax breaks for seniors and low income property holders, and providing access to trails and river areas.
We need a dog park as many people in Shelburne falls have dogs, some mobility issues, and dogs need safe spaces to socialize. Especially since access to cemetery has been denied, and which we pay taxes to upkeep, despite not planning to use it.
Land protected as open space should include forests as well. Habitat protection (animals, pollinators), all wetlands should be prioritized. Shade trees planted throughout town.
Making sure public use stays an option for fishing hiking and general recreation
Clean air and drinking water
Preserving private land owner rights during this process.
Would like river access in the village. Don't want to see more houses on the ridge
Preventing overdevelopment and preserving wildlife and their habitats
protecting pollinators and reducing purely lawn areas
wildlife conservation corridors.
Agriculture protection
Keep it. Increase it. Support it
continue developing access to Mahican-Mohawk trail corridor along river
Acquire and create more open space accessible for public use. This includes constructing roads, trails, and parking areas.
Creating habitat for pollinators and native species
There is so much private land and so little public land, the town should acquire or help the Franklin Land Trust acquire, more land that would be open to the public.

Question 6. Please list any specific areas in town that you feel should be protected, kept natural, or acquired for recreation or open space purposes.

There were 104 specific ideas of places to protect, keep natural, or acquire for recreation or open space purposes. Answers varied, but common words are shown in the “word cloud” below. Access to the river (river was mentioned 62 times) was the most common theme, with the word Pothole mentioned 16 times. Patten District or Hill was mentioned 10 times. Wilcox Hollow as mentioned 10 times, and Sunburn Beach was mentioned 8 times.



Location – to be protected/acquired/kept natural	Tell us why
Ridges and hills around the village and Route 2.	If tourism is your goal, aesthetics are important
Potholes should be viewable and cared for	Presently fenced in by an eyesore fence
Baptist Corner Triangle (Main & Water Streets)	Large space for picnics, concerts, farmer's markets
the river	
NA	
All areas along Little Mohawk Rd., Patten Hill District, Square Lot Rd., Frank Williams & Old Village Roads, Zerah Fiske Rd., and Lucy Fiske Roads.	Preserve natural beauty and locally-grown food
Mayhew Steel site (acquire)	It would ease access to town-owned land along the Deerfield.
all of rural	
Mt. Massamet - protect, but expand access	Provides natural resource close to village of SF. Important to wildlife & could be expanded as a place for residents to access nature from town via trails. Beaver ponds at base are also a great resource.
Village outdoor seating & eating spaces	Help tourists park at Trolley Museum and Historic Museum and keep it a walking town. Pedestrian-friendly, healthy, keep downtown bustling with music events and art sales, keep natural areas wild with minimal trails, less human intervention.
Down by the potholes	I like the wooded hill on the left after you turn left at the new condos-for-the-rich. Also the trees and any brush surrounding large parking lot.
Shingle Hill -->Bellows Hill/Shelburne Mtn.-->Greenfield Mtn-->Shearer Hill	Large, continuous forest block, currently mostly unprotected

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Location – to be protected/acquired/kept natural	Tell us why
Protect the Deerfield River below Salmon Falls. Do not develop this area.	This area is a wildlife haven, I have so many photos of animals that come from there. The eagles also have a nest near there. The family of the person who donated the land has said that they would never have wanted this land to be developed. The town closed the potholes because of issues of misuse and this would no doubt become another misused over run area. It would be foolish to put a short dead end trail there. The police and fire department do not see this as a beneficial development, on the contrary.
deerfield river/ potholes	public access is important
Patten district/Little Mohawk road and up the hill to Tower and Patten Roads area	It is connected to already-preserved land (high ledges and water district)
Patten Hill area	To expand & protect the High Ledges sanctuary
Patten hill	It's a wildlife corridor and has the potential to be greatly impacted by development and I hope that doesn't
Wetlands between Little Mohawk and Reynolds Road	Contains Mass rare species
trail along the river from town to Wilcox Hollow	It's a beautiful natural resource, great to share among us.
any riverfront	access
Rivers and streams should be kept free of any kind of development & human footprint.	Preservation of wildlife habitat and migration corridors need to be free of human presence.
Wilcox Hollow	see above #5
purchase Mahew property by river	clean up area and provide access to riverfront
Potholes	Create a pathway/bridge/park that would allow closer access to them, without allowing swimming access.
Salmon Falls	The removal of the parking lot means less people are likely to enjoy the falls.
Deerfield River front	It is the heart of the village
Patten District view	Long, beautiful worth preserving
Gould's Sugar House	It's a historic site
Deerfield river bank corridor	Acquire access for public
river frontage	Water frontage should not only be available to those that can out pay the rest of us.
Protect the area around Gould's Farm	Scenic
Deerfield river in shelburne	It is essential and keeps getting g fenced off
High ledges	
Everywhere	Humans are ruining everything
glacial potholes	beautiful, interesting, should be more accessible
Pot Holes, the Deerfield River and the forest land surrounding it	clean water, wildlife habitat, health of nature
Potholes	Best place to swim in Franklin County
pot holes	More visual access...if not physical access
East Shelburne	Farm land and apple orchards
Property next to info center	Visitors
buckland state forest, lucky dog forest, flag mtn fish and wildlife mngme area	continous forest tracks

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Location – to be protected/acquired/kept natural	Tell us why
Deerfield river	There should be public access to river for residents, maybe below Sunburn
BSE playground, Mechanic St	I've heard people talk about the possibility of putting the senior center near the elementary school which would take part of the playground for parking. Currently, people are parking on the lawn (picking up students). It's one of the very few open spaces in the village, and it's so beautiful--I don't want it turned into a parking lot, and I wish people wouldn't park on it for student pick up.
Green space on Bridge St	There isn't much there!
All green spaces in the Village.	Green, public and open spaces create better cities and towns.
All that is left un touched	To keep our rural feel and from being over populated.
The River ways and all lands surrounding	Available for appreciation to locals who respect the lands, and to Be protected from outsiders disrespect,
Deerfield River - with very limited access, protected, kept natural	
Caramonut	The private owner has blocked parking access
Corridor along the river from village to Wilcox Hollow / Shelburne town forest (off Masonic Ave)	Opportunity to be in nature without driving
Wilcox hollow	Animals, beauty, recreation
rivers: sunburn beach, wilcox hollow	these are beautiful assets for our local and visiting community
Access to swimming at potholes should be restored	Public use will lead to public investment
Hinsdale Brook	Runs along Brook Rd and is critical trout habitat and suffers from road gravel filling in naturally occurring cavities and waterfalls
the river bank from Masonic Ave to the Pothole area	looks like a good opportunity for a public access trail
Sunburn beach	
South Shelburne Rd	It has beautiful woods, views, ponds, dirt road, wildlife
River access	Leave private land alone~also see comment on 5
All the woods	I love all the woods, I don't want to see them cut down and developed.
Sunburn Beach area	The ridiculous parking requirements
Create trail from Bridge St or the river in the village to Wilcox Hollow	Prevent temptation to walk unsafely on Rt 2
All hilltowns	Essential for livable sustainable future
Mathew Steel area	Connecting to downtown
Town land by the river	Opening this up for residents to enjoy views of or have access to the river
Deerfield river valley	open access to riverside paths and water

Location – to be protected/acquired/kept natural	Tell us why
The new parking lot below the old Mole Hollow store should belong to the town, I feel,that the town should purchase the river bank and build a viewing platform for tourists and townspeople to view the falls and pot holes from that area. The town should have purchased that property.mother condos there are ridiculous. There's no longer public parking for our towns most famous feature.	
152 Shelburne Center Rd	152 is a mansion that has been on the market for more than a year. It has 21 acres of land and large home that could be used as a function space for the town and rented out for events for extra town revenue. There are many potential uses for the space either for direct town or municipal use or for renting. I know that Lincoln, MA has a similar mansion that is owned by the town that has tenants who live there and run the space as an events location. More information about there ownership and management is here: https://www.lincolntown.org/764/Pierce-House-Committee
Highland Village	Up to six trees removed/not replaced. Less lawn, more raised bed gardens for veggies
The end of deerfield ave along the river.	for river access and to connect to the Wilcox Hollow trail
village	too much light at night now, much river wildlife has gone with the rise in lighting
Deerfield River access	Village residents need access to river
Pot holes	Open for swimming
River bank along the Mohawk Trail path between town and Wilcox hollow	The erosion is outrageous, taking down very old trees and leaving it vulnerable to encroaching invasives.
Mohican trail	Need to complete access to the entire trail it is an important historical and recreational item
Baseball field at Arms Academy	Accessible for all ages, useful for impromptu gatherings. Pretty.
The old Singley building site needs help.	There is no thought behind it currently. Just a slab of grass. Has a lot of potential.
Singley lot	Should be leveled and left open so that it can be use for events, markets, fairs, does not need a building on the lot
Potholes	
Sunburn beach	So important for kids to learn to swim. Sunburn Beach is unique, It's beautiful, it's free!
hills around town	maintain view of nature, rather than development; keep dark sky
Area below the potholes	Connect the trail to town & allow public access to the river

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Potholes and river access. Need more areas like Wilcox hollows	It is so sad how we have lost that area with the conversion of the building to condos. Is there a way to create a public path on the other side? We need more public access to riverside (town folk and visitors such as a swimming area)
Zerah fiske road - from S. Shelburne rd to Bardswell Ferry rd and Foxbard farm	No power lines. One of the prettiest roads in massachusetts
The land across route 2 from Gould's Sugar House	Incredible views. Totally pristine. Would allow for good access to the river
Deerfield River in town	Create and maintain access for residents and visitors
Mahican Mohawk Trail	No longer usable full length
No preference for any one area or another.	
Anything available on Patten Hill should be purchased and protected by the town so it doesn't get chopped up and developed. Same with other tracts of land that can be bought and left wild.	Patten Hill is under threat of development since the Goldthwaite properties sold without conservation restrictions, and the view from Patten Road is threatened by the sale of the parcel opposite the Washers' home.
Ridge line by fire tower	don't need to see towers/ wind mills/ or buildings
along the river downstream from the dam in SF to Stillwater.	River area habitat is precious for all life
Unaware	
The 'singley' lot downtown should be developed as a pocket park.	For small gatherings such as families, musicians, artists.
dairy farms/pastures	rural vistas, wildlife habitat
Access to river from town	Quality of town life. Tourism. Etc.
Former Golf Course on Greenfield Mtn	Great location
Salmons Falls to Wilcox Hollow and trails along the river	beauty and enjoyment, as well as habitat preservation
Gardner Falls trail and river access	Hidden gem of a safe easy river access above the falls
The ridgeline above town	Being overlooked by houses changes the feel of the town
Ravine at corner of Bridge and Masonic	
Rt 2 wetlands by kenburns orchard	reduce wildlife collisions at this spot via wildlife tunnel under Rt 2
Lillian Davenport land, and Jane Hanford ridge along river	share resources given to town
An extended corridor along the Deerfield River from Franklin Land Trust property on Route 2 all the way to the Potholes overlook..	For Recreation: The river is one of the town's most important assets.
route 2 corridor	
Along the Deerfield River	Provide access to the river for recreation and viewing.
All open spaces need protection from development, which should be clustered	
Potholes - stairs access	Swimming once again for locals
space behind school	
Areas along Route 112 and Colrain/Shelburne Rd.	Preserve natural beauty and locally-grown food
Hanford property (acquire or purchase permanent easement)	This would connect the Mahican Mohawk Trail to the village

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Land near Kenburn Orchards should be assessed for value to wildlife.	Less common species have been found on Route 2 as roadkil. Consider applying for funds for wildlife underpass if that's feasible in this location.
Massamett Mtn.	Large forest block, abutting protected lands
sunburn beach	people should have access
South Shelburne (south of Rt 2)	Natural beauty; farms; wildlife habitat
Rt. 2 corridor & ridge lines/hill tops	To avoid urban sprawl/ big box development on Rt.2; to avoid the type of ridge development (Buckland Crittenden Hill house with clear cut) from Shelburne ridge lines
Shelburne	
Areas on Deerfield Ave - fund the projects that are trying to create gardens (next to Mole Hollow) for butterflies/education and corner with Bridge Street.	To provide for butterflies and educate the public and give people a place to congregate/listen to local music/small art festival/etc.
Deerfield River access in town	see above #5
connect Mohawk Mahician trail along river	continuous trail along riverfront
Any place riverside where people could safely and legally access our river.	The Deerfield is part of what forms this area. People should be able to have access to it.
14 Deerfield Ave.	Potential space for river access
It would be good to having a walking path on the water	The water is not accessible
Route 2	
Lillian Davenport property and lawless property	Clean up river access at end of Deerfield ave
Develop trails/bike path	Good for families and kids
Gardners falls	See above
Bridge of Flowers	
High Ledges and the network of paths leading to it	accessible paths, scenic views
The Deerfield river banks and the Potholes should be available to more town citizens.	Would build community, fabulous recreation for families, provide relief from heat in the future,
Any fields , kept open space	To Preserve the open space and natural ecosystem
Sunburn beach	The private owner has blocked access
Gardners falls	Recreation, animals, scenery
All sites of Native American importance	Should be developed/regulated with input from local indigenous leaders
Woods encircled by Wilson Graves Rd, Smead and Fiske Mill.	I don't know who owns it, but it would be nice if was never developed (I don't think anyone's planning to) it's lovely to walk in, lots of old roads, vernal ponds and a stream that runs into Hinsdale Brook.
river bank upstream from the FOE (or similiar location)	create public river access safely upstream of the dam
Deerfield Ave terminus	River access, then lunch in town, maybe bowl a line, sleep it off at Sweetheart
high ledges and surrounding	a natural gem and place to get outdoors
The river bank and parking lot by the pot holes	
Highland Ave, SF	Removing those trees raised temps in hot months and took away our shade, as well as spaces for flora/fauna, but the don't destroy the invasive species, rather dump them elsewhere.

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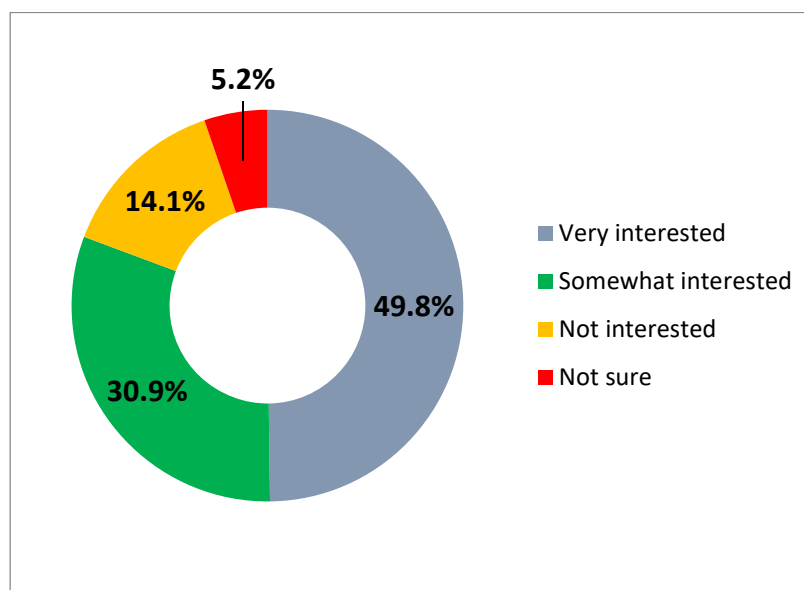
Location – to be protected/acquired/kept natural	Tell us why
open the pothole area	for the freedom to access the river.
along river	want to preserve instead of having people walking around there
M& m trail	Village residents need access to nature without driving.
Land adjacent to the village center	Could be a sweet little in-town park
All the undeveloped farm and field acreage.	Beautiful, useful to Nature/creatures all seasons, night sky darkness.
The trails behind the softball field along the river.	A bpwrfeer short hike right here in town. Maybe make the beach a bit bigger for access to the river.
Part of BSE by bandstand	Would be great to have a splash pad there. Wouldn't conflict with school in the summer. Plenty of space.
land along our rivers	keep it public, rather than limiting access to the few who can afford to live along the rivers
Fire tower hike	Great local hike. Great place to run dogs , and get fit!
All undeveloped land along route 2	Route 2 is the goose the lays our golden eggs. If it's commercialized like route 9 in Hadley it will be ruined
Working farms	Crucial to local food system and reliance on outsourced foods
anymore along ft 2	Most is usable farm land
Tower hill area visible from SF	This higher elevation houses great diversity.
Unaware	
Trails and forest area between the Arms Cemetary and High Ledges.	beauty and enjoyment, as well as habitat preservation
Property near entrance to cemetary (D. Smith's)	adjacent to Mass Audubon land, nice access to trails and ponds.
Jane Hanford ridge along river	continue Mohawk Mahican trail
Shelburne Falls Water District property off Patten Road	For Recreation: This huge, unused property connects to existing Audubon Property

Question 7: Do you own land in Shelburne that you would like to open up for public use with tax benefits and without liability, or have preserved as open space? (if you answer yes, please contact the Shelburne Open Space Committee at openspace@townofshelburnema.gov)

There were 17 “yes” answers and 216 “no” answers.

Question 8: Shelburne is located on land that was formerly part of Nipmuc, Pocumtuc, Mohican, and Wabanaki homelands (<https://native-land.ca/>). How interested are you in having the town recognize the indigenous heritage of the land when thinking about open space protection in town?

Answered: 249 / Skipped: 3

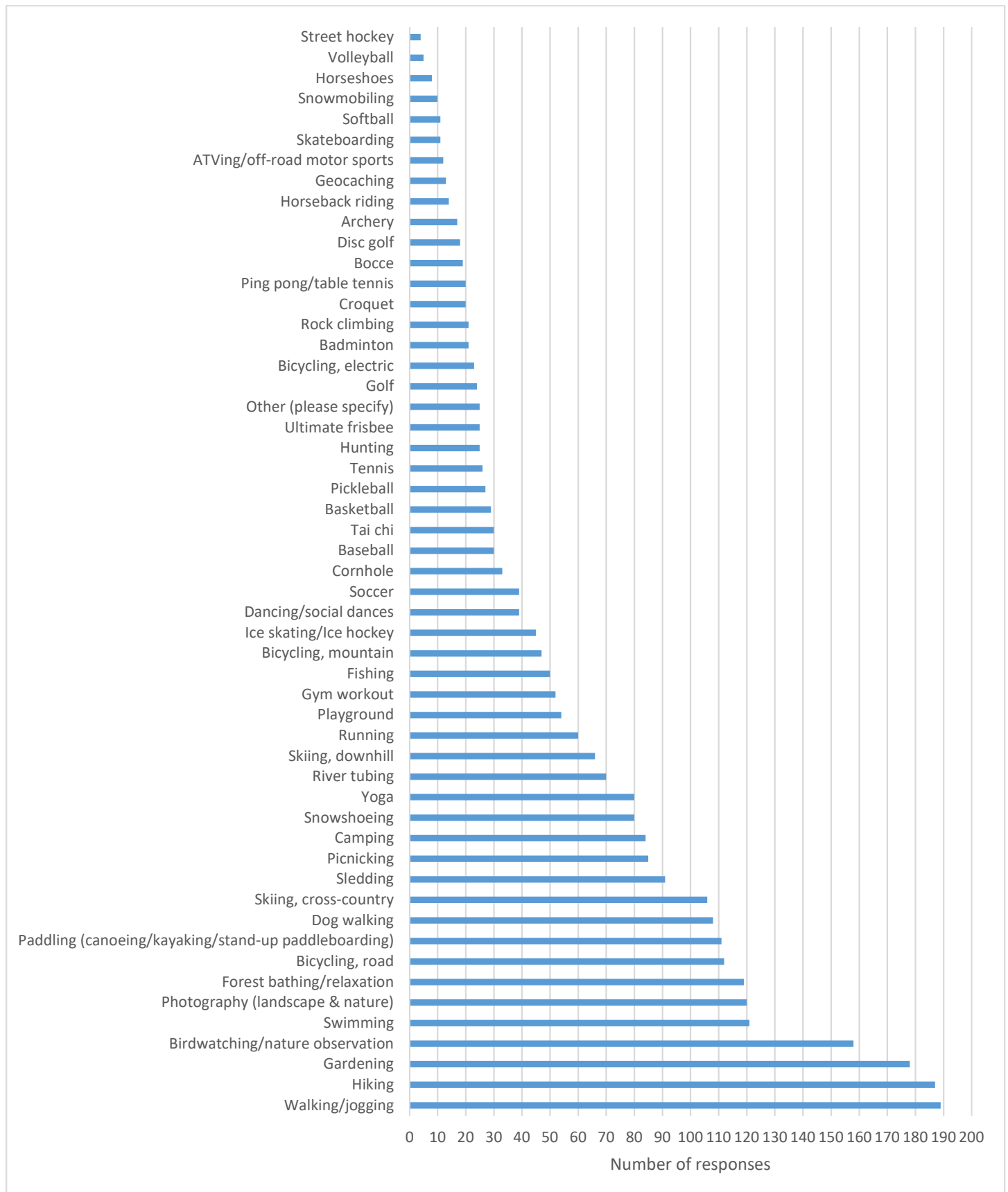


RECREATION QUESTIONS

Question 9: Which of the following recreational activities do members of your household do in, or near, Shelburne? Please select all that apply.

Answered: 243 / Skipped: 9

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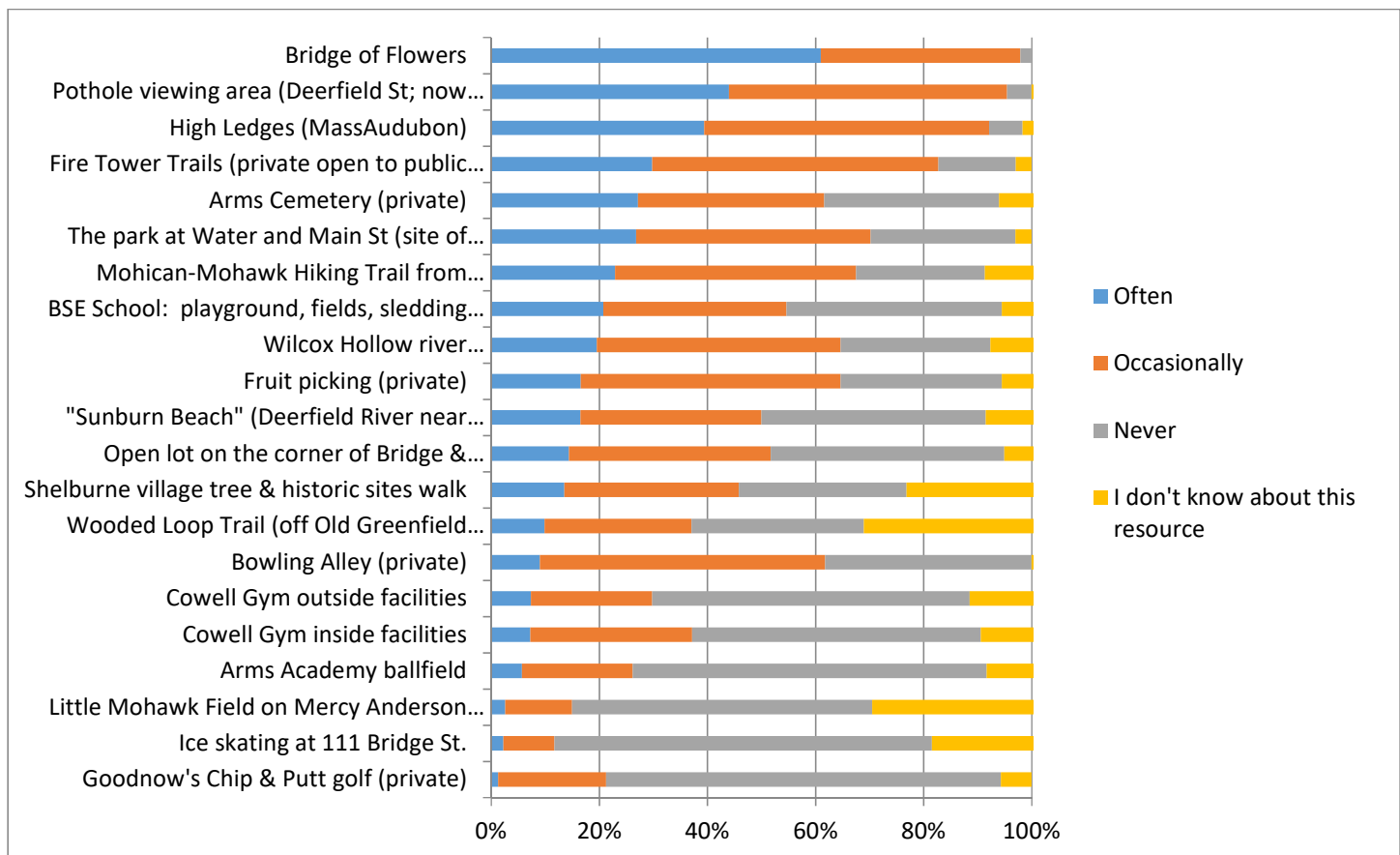


“Other” responses included the following activities:

- Wading (5 responses)
- Producing crops on open land!
- Would love to do ziplining!
- Handicapped accessible activities
- Ice climbing
- listening to outdoor live music
- Gravel road biking
- An adult outdoor exercise area would be great
- Trapping
- Trail Running
- Landscape painting
- Meditation (2 responses)
- Star and sky gazing
- Walking
- Looking for moths, butterflies, insects in forests and fields
- Painting and drawing (landscape and nature)
- Cross-country skiing
- Loading wood
- NOTE; too old/gimpy to do most of these things myself
- Walking around the village

Question 10: How often do you use the following open space and recreational resources that are open to the public in town?

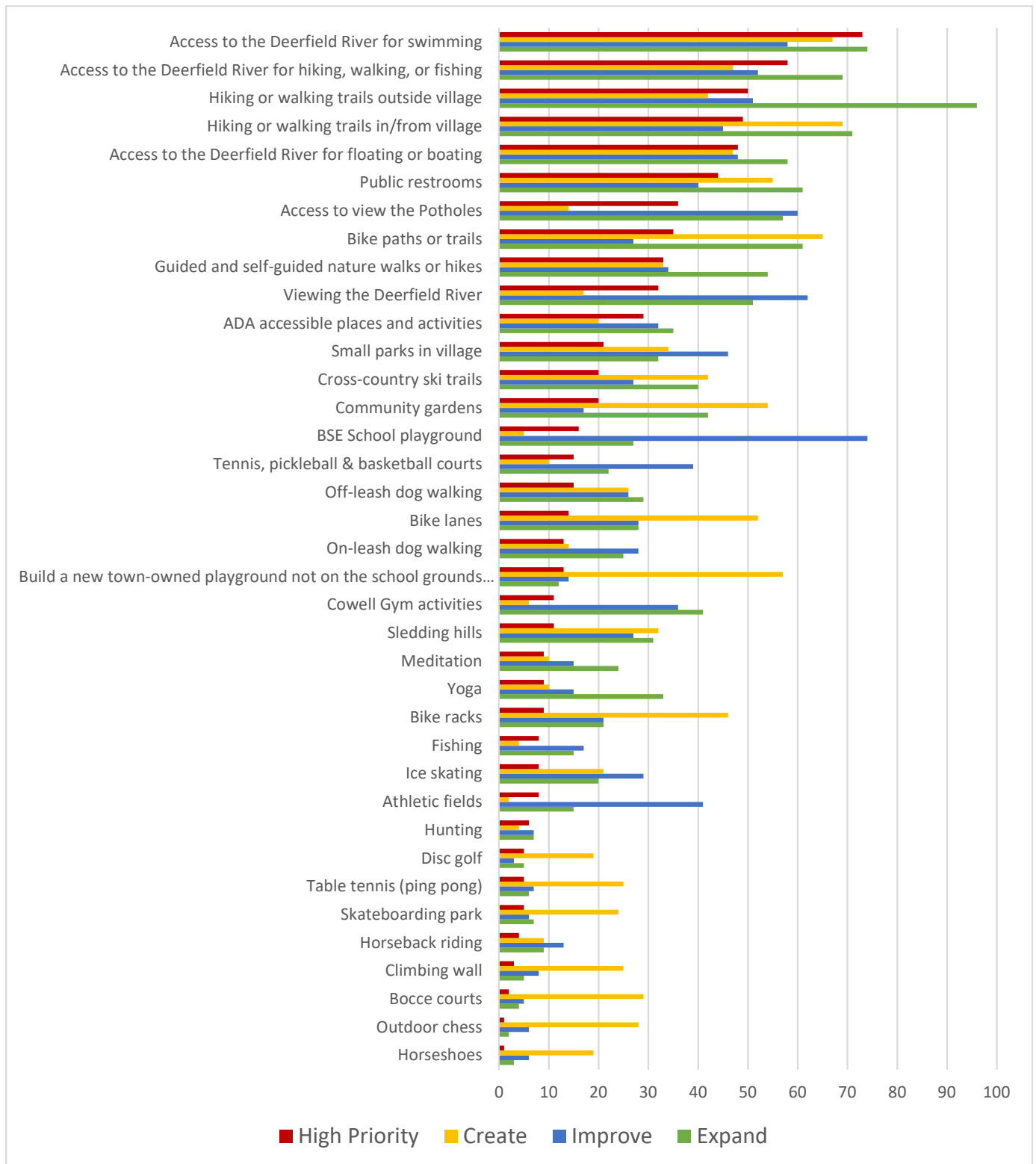
Answered: 245 / Skipped: 7



Question 11: Which of the following would you like to see expanded, improved, or created in Shelburne? Please select the appropriate columns for the resources you are interested in,

and identify your highest priorities. If you are not interested in a resource you do not need to fill in a bubble.

Answered: 237 / Skipped: 15



“Other” responses included the following activities:

- Bathrooms at BSE playground
- None
- Outdoor tai chi, arts and crafts instruction for adults, not just for seniors
- Make Cowell gym affordable (free), open 24/7 a safe haven for anyone who can't sleep, is bored, needs to get warm, needs community and athletic events, especially ping pong. I have a good table I'd donate if I could play for free!
- Add enclosed dog play space at Cowell gym outside facilities. Also, need trash cans for dog poop around town.
- More public parking/ reduced parking standards for property owners, commercial and residential.
- Swimming pool
- The skate rink at 111 Bridge St is a wonderful idea but very limited. It does prove that there is interest in a town rink. Create a large one on the grounds of BS Elem School with double use as skateboard park in summer. Build a warming shed. Everyone will come! Great fun for the whole family and gets people outside and off devices. Publicly accessible for all with available parking which is always key.
- fitness trail along river
- Labyrinth at St. Joseph's church
- Stop hunting!!
- Really, we already have a lot to offer townspeople in the way of getting out.
- Ways for students from MTRS to quickly (shortest route through woods) walk to town for community engaged work, or public transportation
- Nature programs such as tracking, tree “literacy”, mushrooms, stone walls, etc.
- tai chi, indoor walking, senior exercise groups, arts and crafts
- More Swimming options, a "town beach"
- Dog park
- Night sky observation (dark sky locations)
- restrict or prohibit hunting on hiking trails for hiker safety
- A bathhouse with a sauna - hot tubs- steam rooms would be life changing. Like in Sweden Japan Russia Greece turkey finland etc.
- Community gardens?- plant and learn from those experienced
- Re-open potholes
- fitness trail along riverfront, backboard on tennis court
- More public benches and tables at more locations in the village.

Question 12: What are your top 1-2 priorities for recreation in Shelburne?

There were 144 top priorities. Common themes were river access (for swimming; access to Potholes; for fishing and paddling), walking and hiking trails, bike lanes/trails/paths, on- and off-leash dog areas, a community garden, hunting access, and there were various ideas within the village and at the Buckland-Shelburne Elementary School. Top answers for youth were a skateboard park and a new playground. The top answer for winter recreation was cross-country skiing trails.

Priorities are also summarized in a “word cloud” below.



Top recreation priorities
bike riding, walking
Swimming access
Wooded walks accessible from village
keep it simple, keep it clean, keep it free
ADA accessible places and activities Child (and adult-size) new playground built for all Suggestion: For all activities to be free for Shelburne residents. Fees normally charged could be underwritten by businesses/bank sponsorship. This guarantees access for all -- all ages -- all abilities -- all income levels -- all equitable.
1) Access to river for tubing, swimming, and fishing 2) Camping sites
I like the idea of having more swimming areas but am concerned about increasing littering and other human impacts on nature and its other inhabitants. If there would be some kind of moderation of this I would feel better -- perhaps an appointed person of a department?
Don't know
1) Hiking/walking 2) Biking
Community gardens and small parks in the village
1) Creation of a trail to connect the village to the Mahican-Mohawk Trail. 2) Expansion of hiking trails.
Take a walk on town streets
Park/natural space for picnicking and possibly also swimming. More hiking trails, but with respect for maintaining natural diversity/integrity and abutting landowners' need for privacy. Views of streams and other special scenic elements would be wonderful! Consider working with The Trustees (of Reservations) for these.

Top recreation priorities
Keep the wild parts wild. Make the town more artsy & musical. Plant more trees, teach kids about soil science. Have more common areas and picnic tables so people share food & conversation, husbands can sit while wives shop ha ha, get old people outside with social activity to keep them happy and active, paint chess boards on picnic tables and backgammon.
Walking, shopping
Quiet places in woods and by streams
hiking and swimming
Something for teenagers, like a skate park. Keeping the swimming areas there are clean and not over populated because of advertising about them.
Access to the potholes!
Protected land for wildlife
Swimming & Pickleball
Hiking
Well, my personal priority is to find fragrance-free public places. That's what limits my access, and is a hidden health problem for the general public.
Given the new condos at the potholes I think it imperative we protect public access to the viewing deck
Activities at the cowell gym A hiking trail from town along the river
Preserve rivers and streams from any kind of human development/presence for wildlife preservation. High priority is to dim all the lights - streetlights should be effectively shielded with light directed downwards. Keep a focus on our young people - to bring them visibly into town for activities: a rink at BS Elem would be wonderful; the baseball diamond at Arms is perpetually empty—make it inviting; art/writing/achievements 'corridor' in town that showcases our youth's interests. Help the park at corner of Bridge and Deerfield become a hub for community gathering: shade and/or a pavilion of some kind esp for music and arts to help support our collective culture and economy.
Access to Deerfield River Bike paths
Create an improved hiking loop from Tower trail to ledges and back down to Arms Cemetery. Improve the Ancient Glacier pocket park.
Increased availability to use cowell indoor court especially during school vacation when kids would want to use it
tennis, hiking walking trails
Hiking and Ice Climbing
dedicated outdoor pickleball courts
I really miss access to the potholes. Yep. I've been here that long. I don't see its use as for swimming, but for enjoying the sun, relaxing, exploring. With all of these questions, that is my fondest wish. I am not a dog owner, but many people are. Perhaps a dog park? Someplace where owners could their dogs run off leash. It's not a top priority in my mind, but I just thought of it.
Ice Skating in Winter (with Cocoa ;)) Swimming in Summer
Community gardens

Top recreation priorities
Better signage for visitors to the downtown. Send them to the labyrinth, have historical brochure & signage on sites where Mary Lyon lived; at Buckland end of BOF, have signage to the newly renovated mill; make the small overlook deck on buckland side of river nicer to look like a destination - Flowers, signage for "overlook" maybe historical marker explaining how the dam works, why the plywood gets washed away, who puts it back up?
Start a committee very early to market Moonlight madness with signage along Rt. 2 a month in advance, etc. Maybe tech school can build signs and artists can paint them in a really beautiful way? How about new painted murals downtown? Most are faded.
Able to walk in nature and enter the river from the village.
Playground for kids, cross country ski trails
Tennis
Fitness trail on Davenport riverside
baseball & soccer fields basketball courts for all ages
The river and forest
1) Trails for mountain biking.
2) Dog park
Swimming and hiking
Fishing access and hiking trails
River access
Off leash dog areas
Make it even more bike friendly and increase access to public swimming areas
Access to water, trails
Dog park and river access for swimming
Access to the river for swimming & other recreation.
Playground areas
Dog spaces both on and off leash
Hiking
Safe places to walk, trails for horseback riding, and cross-country ski trails
Hiking, swimming. I love the idea of a community garden!
access to river
Preserving habitats, pollinators, gardens, chess sounds super cute, no cutting trees, we don't need more grass!! We need wildflower fields and natural life
hiking, walking
Deerfield River access
Teaching new residents how to walk on a rural road with traffic
Hiking trails and Bridge of Flowers
swimming and fishing in Deerfield River
bike path from town center would be amazing
viewing the Pot Holes, walking Bridge St
pump track/bike park for kids, connect lucky dog trail to flag mtn/buckland state forest trails with signage, maps, etc. Update and expand playground equipment at BSE
Access to the river for swimming, and improved/expanded playground at BSE!
Expanding hiking trails and linking them
Walking. Preserve rural character. Keep out large corporations.

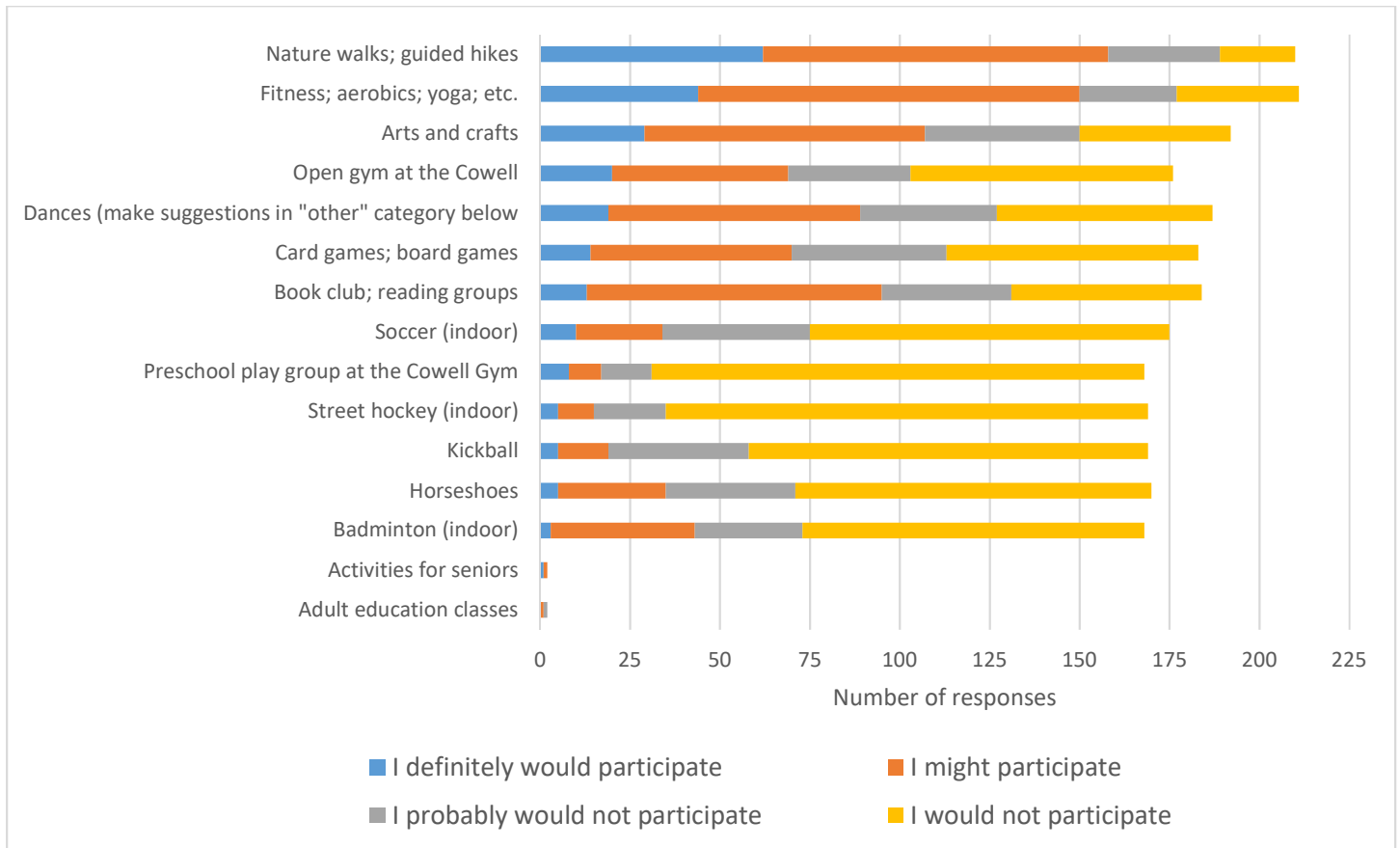
Top recreation priorities
Hiking
Snowshoeing/cross-country skiing (if we ever get snow)
Hiking trails accessible from town, preserving open spaces
Maintain green spaces & walkability in the village.
Access to river for boating/paddleboarding and pickle ball
1. Access to the Deerfield River for swimming. 2. Hiking or walking trails in/from village.
Places for our of towners to park when they come to walk or bike in our area.
Bike trails lanes/safety Expand Recreation activities offered
Dog friendly and swimming
river
Hiking trails outside the village
Connecting students at MTRS with community, improving school assets and facilities
1. increased opportunities w/in the village of various sorts 2. attention to sound in the valley - narrow valley walls cause every sound emitted to be amplified (ie echoed). Also, sound travels easily on water - Noise impacts relaxation and enjoyment of nature and natural sounds for many of us
Easy hiking walk.
access to swimming areas
Playground
Hunting and public access to hunting is number one priority, number two is river access/fishing access especially at the sunburn Beach area...the situation for public access/parking needs to be rectified and allow residents to park and use the area.
Integrating ecology/climate/biodiversity education (through village/nature walks, guided trails, classes in natural history) into conservation strategies. Bring tourists to SF to learn about nature!
Winter ice skating rink, maybe on Baptist church lot, play grounds, park
River access - hiking/walking variety
Hiking trails in the village
Parks where people can gather; hiking trails
Kid friendly
See above priorities.
Swimming, cross country skiing, hiking, but without drawing huge crowds or taking away from village.
I would love to see walking and bike paths that connect the Shelburne Center Road and Bardwells Ferry Road Neighborhood to the town center. It would be great to be able to access the town center without needing to drive in the warm months.
Non motorized enjoyment of nature, and whatever organized recreation this survey indicates is important to residents
Access to Deerfield River for swimming
Easy access birdwatching
Expand activities for kids. Definitely a public playground other than the school.
1. Hiking trails with/and River access accessible by foot from the village!

Top recreation priorities
1) A multi use and purpose built trail system (mt bike, hike, horse) that is destination worthy, compliments Thundermountain Bike park and can be leveraged for community and economic development similar to what's happened at Kingdom Trails in East Burke VT.
2) Bring back swimming at the pot holes. Keep river access easy, clean and open to diverse pursuits
large indoor space for indoor activities like yoga and tai chi and meditation workshops, also warm indoor space for walking in winter,
Hiking trail from town. Deerfield River access for swimming and paddling in town.
We need better swimming options locally. The pool at Buckland Rec will be nice, but a pond with a beach would be even better. Improving safety and protecting nature at Sunburn beach would be good, too.
Swimming at Wilcox Hollow
Hiking to fire tower
Accessible hiking/walking trails. Street music venues
Activities that go hand in hand with undisturbed open space: forest bathing, nature observation, hiking, boating/swimming , and more recreation geared toward seniors.
Dark Sky (and please shut off that obnoxious Christmas light the Masons and Fire District have turned on again in the fire tower.)
Quite place
Cycling, birding, insect/moth/butterfly observation, night sky viewing, hiking
Hiking, forest bathing
Bathhouse/hydrotherapy center. Like a gym with a monthly membership.
What about creating and maintaining a park (adjacent to BSE or on Trinity Church property - Main and Water Street) - for use by residents of all ages- to gather and chill. This would require maintenance, as would some other initiatives
walking/hiking - bike trails
Bicycle lanes and racks
Access to Deerfield River for swimming.
Bike touring center
Create a skating rink at Buckland Shelburne Elementary School that could double as a skateboard rink in summer.
Permanent access to sunburn beach, improve playground at BSE
water-edge hiking trails, lighted tennis courts
Access to the river and walking trails along the river
Off leash dog park
River access and trails
Bocce
Wide (preferably paved for ADA access) walking paths in nature away from road noise
Swimming in the river
Hiking outside the village (and parking for access to it)
Swimming. Public space, like a plaza, for people to gather informally.
Hiking biking
Expand hiking trails.
Eliminate illegal fireworks and other unnecessary noise pollution.
More access to swimming areas and more public tennis/pickleball courts

Top recreation priorities
Hiking Kayaking
Hunting/fishing
Cross country skiing, hiking, no car zones and periodic street blocking to encourage pedestrian traffic.
Swimming access. Safe places for children to learn to swim and to swim.
Hiking, nature related activities, such as birding or paddling
Trails tied to town. Trails tied to each other.
walking
Games with balls. Items to climb. Bacci lanes , shuffleboard maybe?
To create a town playground and splash pad
Expanding public access trails.
Open space for enjoying nature via hiking, trail running, swimming, biking
More club based activities like bowling, pickleball, and bocce at times working folks could partake
Playgrounds and walking trails
Water access
Walking trails Create better boating and swimming access for Deerfield River without overcrowding
Walking with or w/o dog
Better access to river for swimming. Hiking areas.
Walking and hiking trails
walking trails, tennis/pickleball backboard
Shelburne should be a livable community with plenty of outdoor and indoor recreation opportunities for all ages.
More hiking trails and places to view Deerfield river
River access. Hiking trails.

Question 13: The Town of Shelburne currently offers recreational activities such as baseball, basketball, ice skating, senior walk (indoors), softball, tennis, pickleball, and volleyball. Would you or a family member participate in any of the following recreation activities currently not offered by Shelburne?

Answered: 228 / Skipped: 24



Free answers to “other” category:

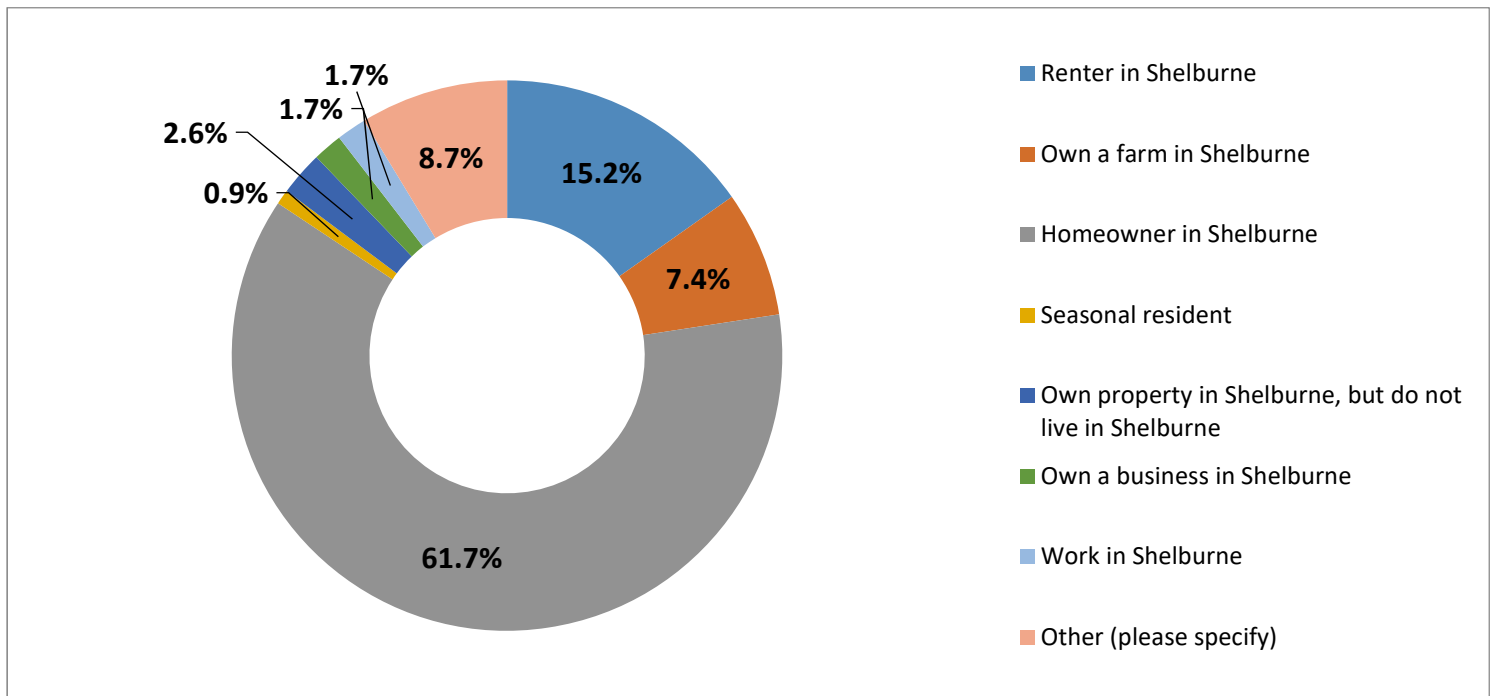
- Dancing for all ages -- popular and good 60's, variety of contra, square, etc.
- Bocce courss and balls, outdoor volleyball and badminton nets
- Any dance
- Square dancing. My participation in the above would depend on my current responsibilities and activities.
- Community garden plot to augment small home garden. Tai chi outdoors.
- Ping pong. Pothole pictures: would love to turn the theater into a REAL theater with movies every night! I would fix all the seats. I have thousands of pieces of fabric and I need work. I can sew and upholster seats and cushions. I LOVE movies and envision a way to bring more people to SF at night.
- Dances: salsa/bachata, contra, and even square dancing
- climbing wall
- Start with Memorial Hall preservation and go from there.
- Contradance or English Country Dance
- Ping Pong
- live music
- English country dancing
- contra/square dances
- Swing or Square dances maybe line dancing

- Educational nature walks: geology, Indigenous history/relation to the area, birds, habitat, plants, etc.
- Town dances would be great!
- Contra/ square dance down bridge stree. At Moonlight manic? Harvest supper?
- i probably wouldn't take part myself - but would like to see these offerings in town
- Some sort of community hunting/fishing events (flyfishing classes, hunters safety courses, community organized group hunts, etc)
- Square dancing
- What is indoor street hockey? When I was a kid, we played street hockey in the places cars drive.
- I may be interested in organizing or attending a contra dance
- Swing Dancing would be cool
- square dance.
- Ultimate frisbee
- Chamber music venue
- Bocce
- dance: square, contra, salsa
- in-town boating
- square dancing
- Shuffleboard?
- Contradances
- Organized walks around the village.
- Regular walks, x-country skiing, snowshoeing, or hikes

ABOUT YOU QUESTIONS

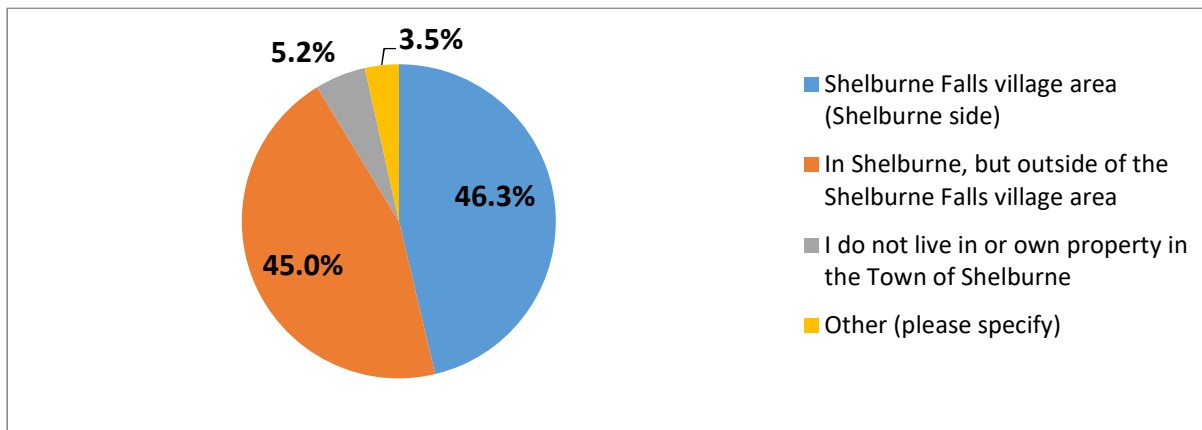
Question 14: Select the option that best describes you.

Answered: 230 / Skipped: 22



Question 15: In what part of the town of Shelburne do you live or own property? (Select one)

Answered: 229 / Skipped: 23



Question 16: What is your street address? (to make sure we get responses from all over town)

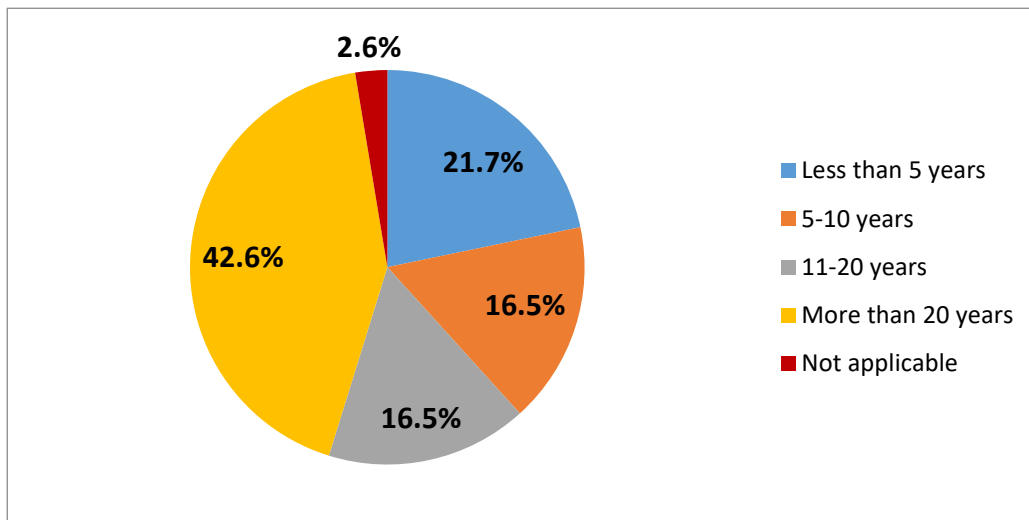
Answered: 190 / Skipped: 62

The number before the street name shows the number of responses on each road, not the street address. Streets that are outside of Shelburne are not listed below.

1 - Baker Ave.	1 - Halligan Ave.	6 - Patten Rd.
6 - Bardwells Ferry Rd.	4 - High St.	1 - Peckville Rd.
4 - Barnard Rd.	1 - Highland Ave.	4 - Reynolds Rd.
2 - Bassett Rd.	4 - Highland Village	1 - Severance St.
9 - Bridge St.	4 - Little Mohawk Rd.	5 - Shelburne Center Rd.
3 - Church St.	3 - Lucy Fisk Rd.	3 - Skinner Rd.
6 - Colrain Shelburne Rd.	23 - Main St.	7 - South Maple St.
1 - Dragon Hill Rd.	7 - Maple St.	2 - South Shelburne Rd.
1 - Dwight Circle	2 - Masonic St.	4 - Taylor Rd.
1 - East Shelburne	15 - Mechanic St.	1 - Tower Rd.
2 - Fisk Mill Rd.	1 - Memorial Drive	4 - Warren Court
2 - Frank Williams Rd.	5 - Mohawk Trail	3 - Water St.
1 - Gardner Ave.	1 - North South Rd.	3 - Wilson Graves Rd.
1 - Gould Rd.	2 - Old Albany Rd.	2 - Zerah Fiske Rd.
4 - Grove St.	6 - Old Greenfield Rd.	

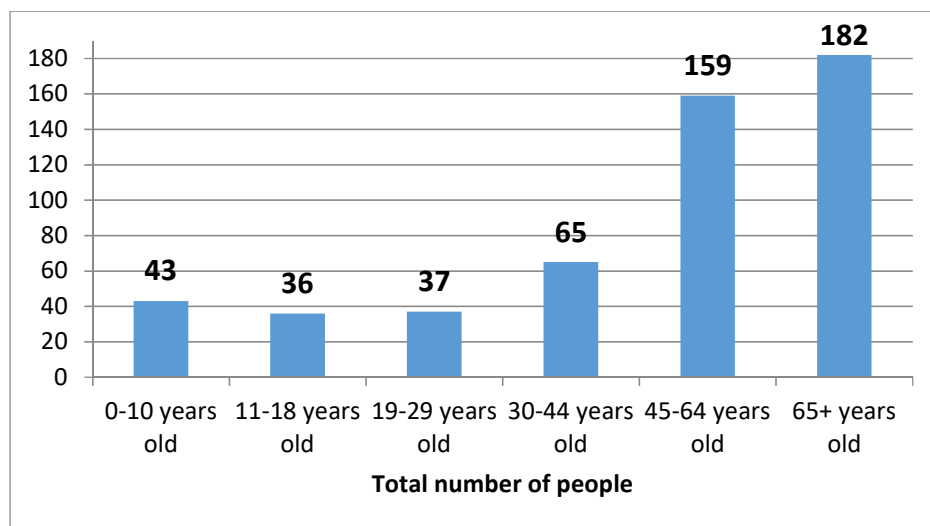
Question 17: How many years have you lived or owned property in Shelburne? (Select one)

Answered: 230 / Skipped: 22



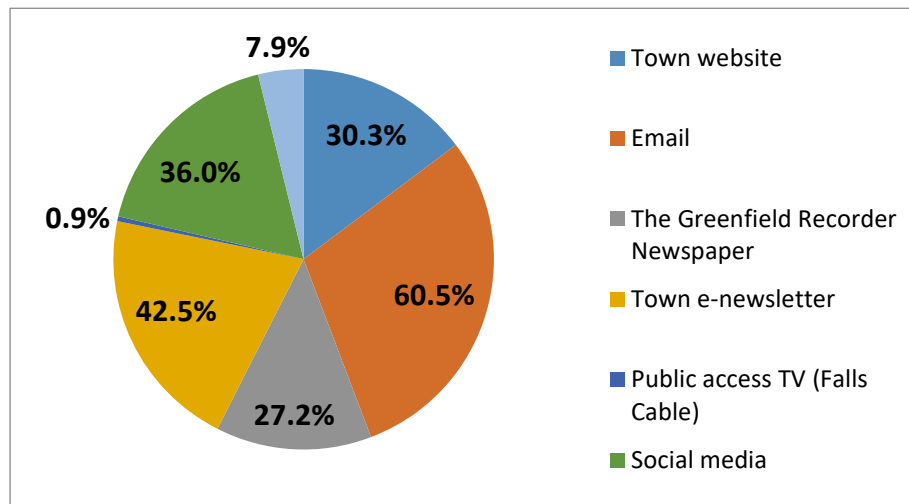
Question 18: Please use the blanks to write the number of people in each of the following age groups in your household.

Answered: 223 / Skipped: 29



Question 19: What are the best ways for you to receive information about open space and recreation issues?

Answered: 228 / Skipped: 24



Responses to “other” category:

- Library publicity -- posters, flyers, email
- Word of mouth from neighbors
- Snail mail
- Library handout or Sr. Ctr Handout
- Town meeting
- Text threads
- andrew's newsletter
- letter
- Robo calls from the town
- Posting in town - at town hall or library
- Text
- Town call system
- Snail mail always good
- USPS
- If I'm notified of a posting or meeting on the auto phone system I'll check it out
- The real mail . Guess not.
- Mail
- Facebook Page: Shelburne Falls in a Nutshell

Question 20: If you would like to be notified of Shelburne Recreation programming, please include your email address here:

108 responses with email addresses – withheld here for privacy reasons, but forwarded to the Shelburne Recreation Committee for e-notifications on recreation programming.