



Welcome to the Egremont Vision 2035 Initiative!

Please sign in and make a nametag for yourself.

Please also pick up an envelope. The number on the back will also tell you where to sit for the first two sessions.

Don't worry if you don't receive your first choice. You will get the chance to go to other stations during this workshop.

Agenda

- 9:00: Welcome and Introductions
- 9:05: Presentation: Implementation
- 9:15: Visioning session
- 9:30: Visioning report-back
- 9:45: Station 1 (Stay where you are!)
- 10:15: Station 2 (Move to a station of your choice)
- 10:45: Station 3 (Move to a station of your choice)
- 11:15: Priority walk (collect and spend your Egremont dollars!)
- 11:45: Wrap-up and next steps
- 12:00: Finish: Thank you for attending!

Housing at Station A.

Economic Development at Station B.

Recreation at Station C.

Land Preservation, Protection, and Stewardship at Station D.

Historic Preservation and Future Development at Station E.



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Fill-in-the-blanks/Vision

In 2033, Egremont is special because _____

We are pleased that the Town of Egremont worked to preserve

We enjoy increased opportunities for _____
at _____

As a community, we gather at _____
for _____

Our favorite place is _____
because _____

The most important challenge in 2022 that we addressed by 2033
was _____



Housing: Draft Actions



Please write your draft actions here (3-5 per group).

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Economic Development: Draft Actions



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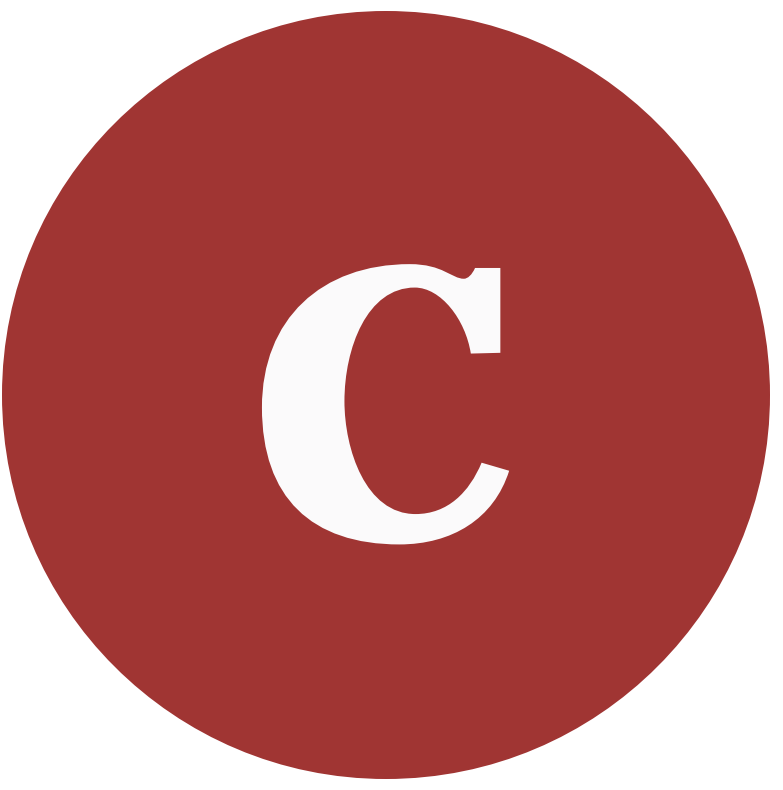
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Recreation: Draft Actions



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Land Preservation, Protection, and Stewardship: Draft Actions



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Historic Protection and Future Development: Draft Actions



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Housing: Draft Actions



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- Support the creation of housing that is affordable to a variety of income levels.
- Permit (through zoning) housing typologies that support people of different ages and household sizes.

Questions for Discussion!

- 1 Housing is linked to the strength of economic development and the growth of the tax base. Where in Egremont would additional housing be appropriate?
- 2 The type of housing needed can change as people age. What types of housing are missing from Egremont? Where would this type of housing be most appropriate?
- 3 Housing can be affordable by design (smaller dwelling units and smaller parcels) rather than because of subsidies (state and federal programs). Would some of the options shown be appropriate for Egremont?

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Economic Development: Draft Goals



The consultant team has identified the following draft goals for this topic based on previous planning efforts, input from the public workshop on January 14, 2023, and input from the public survey that closed on February 3, 2023.

- Revise Egremont's zoning bylaw to allow more as-of-right uses in specific areas with appropriate development controls.
- Support existing clusters of economic activity and consider how to leverage those clusters to support complimentary uses.
- Reinforce the roles of North and South Egremont Villages as community centers for a wide range of activities and coordinate municipal investments and regulations to support the villages.

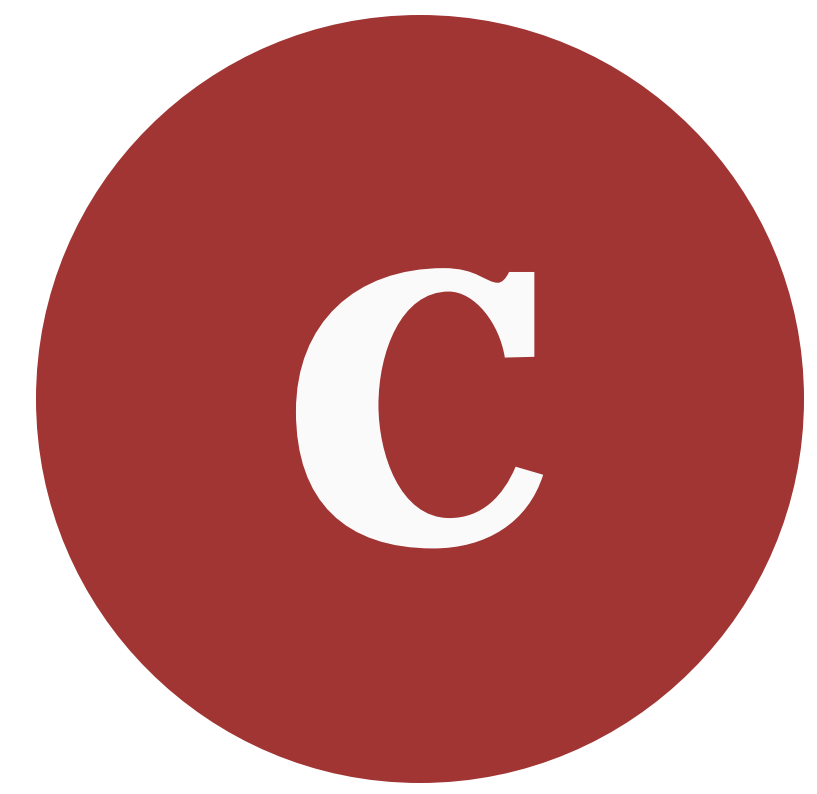
Questions for Discussion!

- 1 Farming is an important component of the Egremont community. How can Egremont continue to support farming? Can Egremont leverage farm products by allowing for small-scale food production, agri-tourism, or other compatible activities?
- 2 South Egremont is the restaurant/retail center of the town and also has important community draws, such as the library and South Egremont School. North Egremont is smaller, but the boundaries of the village could be expanded to include two important municipal areas: French Park and the municipal complex at Town Hall. How can the community leverage this combination of economic activity and municipal draws to create vibrant community-based areas? Are there missing uses or activities that could be added to either?
- 3 Home-based businesses can be an important component of economic development in small towns. Egremont's home occupation bylaw is flexible but does not allow retail. Should this change? Are there other home-based occupations that should be more clearly called out?

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Recreation: Draft Goals



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Improve non-vehicular access to the existing open space and recreational areas.
Provide recreational opportunities for all ages and abilities.

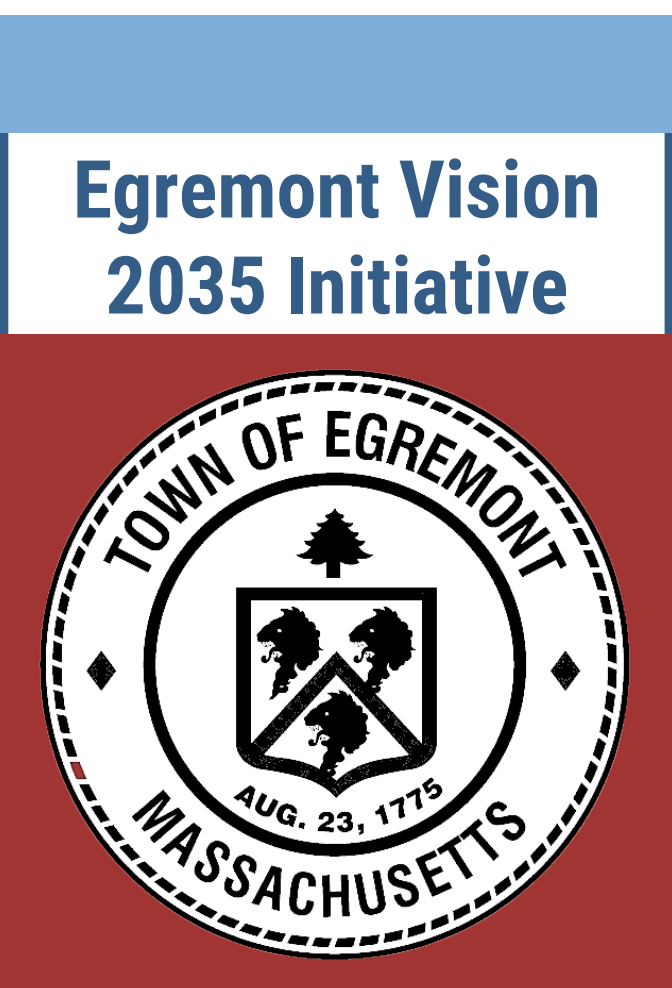
Questions for Discussion!

- 1 What additional amenities are needed and where? For example: additional parking; additional trails; better signage; better connectivity).
- 2 What additional recreational needs can be met by French Park?
- 3 Where would bike lanes and sidewalks be most beneficial? Is there a concern that bike lanes/sidewalks will change the character of the roads?

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Land Preservation, Protection, and Stewardship: Draft Goals



The consultant team has identified the following draft goals for this topic based on previous planning efforts, input from the public workshop on January 14, 2023, and input from the public survey that closed on February 3, 2023.

- Preserve and support local farms.
- Preserve and improve the ecological integrity of sensitive natural environments and natural resources.
- Focus open space acquisition.
- Protect and preserve the Egremont's scenic and historic character (Egremont's scenic rural roads, historic structures).

Questions for Discussion!

- Where should land preservation be focused? Considering limited resources (\$) what should the key factors be for targeting properties for acquisition? (for example: provides a connection to another protected property; provides a high environmental value; protects a key scenic resource)
- Where is land stewardship most needed? What stewardship activities are needed?
- What are the key environmental resources that need better protection? Who are our partners?

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Historic Protection and Future Development: Draft Goals



The consultant team has identified the following draft goals for this topic based on previous planning efforts, input from the public workshop on January 14, 2023, and input from the public survey that closed on February 3, 2023.

Preserve historic buildings that reflect Egremont's culture and history.

Develop regulations to guide new development, including additions, and significant rehabilitation to be consistent with community desires for the visual quality of the different areas of Egremont.

Develop regulations for new development, including additions, and significant rehabilitation that respond to the need to protect and preserve natural resources and adapt to climate change.

Questions for Discussion!

- 1 A local historic district can provide more protection by adding an additional review process for new construction (including significant rehabilitation and additions) within the district. Is this additional control of interest?
- 2 Is adaptive reuse of historic buildings acceptable? For example, could a historic building that was a house become a business or vice versa? Could a single-family historic home be modified as a two- or three-family? Could a historic building include both home and business?
- 3 Some communities have an additional design review as part of their permitting process with written design guidelines. Guidelines may address the building and the site, and include building form and massing, façade design, lighting, signage, building placement, landscaping, and other components. Is this additional step of interest?
- 4 Many communities are beginning to incorporate measures to adapt to the effect of climate change into development standards and design guidelines. Is this of interest to Egremont?

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