

Master Plan 2016 Lee Resident Survey



Your household has been randomly selected to participate in the Town of Lee Master Plan Survey being conducted by the Planning Board. With your input, we will develop a Master Plan for the next ten years that better represents the voice of Town residents.

Instructions: Please have one adult in your household that is living at this address (preferably the head of household) complete the questionnaire below and return it in the self-addressed stamped envelope provided by **Tuesday, June 30, 2015**. We welcome hearing from the other adults in your household. They may obtain a paper copy of the questionnaire from Lee Library, Transfer Station, or Town Hall after June 30.

Answer each of the questions as well as you can. No names will be attached to any answers, so please feel free to give us your opinion!! THANK YOU for helping us plan for the future of our town.

General Issues for the Town of Lee for the Next Ten Years

Please circle the one number that best describes how important **each** of the following Town of Lee issues below is to you using the following scale: 1="Not Important at All" 2="Somewhat Important" 3= "Important" 4="Very Important"

Factor	Not Important at All	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important
Reduce Town of Lee tax burden	1	2	3	4
Reduce Oyster River schools tax burden	1	2	3	4
Increase affordable housing in Lee	1	2	3	4
Attract new business in Lee	1	2	3	4
Improve Lee's town roads/infrastructure	1	2	3	4
Amount and location of new development in Lee	1	2	3	4
New or upgraded town facilities (not including Mast Way school)	1	2	3	4
Improve Town of Lee facilities	1	2	3	4
Create a Lee town center	1	2	3	4
Preserve agricultural lands in Lee	1	2	3	4
Protect open space/natural resources in Lee	1	2	3	4
Increase emergency services in Lee	1	2	3	4
Protect historic resources	1	2	3	4
Improve traffic control in Lee	1	2	3	4
Preserve educational quality in Oyster River schools	1	2	3	4
Develop more recreational opportunities in Lee	1	2	3	4
Improve energy use in Lee	1	2	3	4
Improve food sustainability in Lee	1	2	3	4
Increase telecommunications/internet accessibility in Lee	1	2	3	4
Other (please specify):	1	2	3	4

Services needed in Lee for the Next Ten Years

Please circle the one number that best describes how important each of the following current and/or possible future services available in the Town of Lee is to you using the following scale: 1="Not Important at All" 2="Somewhat Important" 3="Important" 4="Very Important"

Factor	Not Important at All	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important
Transportation options (taxis, shared rides, car pools, buses)	1	2	3	4
Health services	1	2	3	4
Grocery stores	1	2	3	4
Year-round Farmer's market/locally grown products	1	2	3	4
Retail stores	1	2	3	4
Restaurants	1	2	3	4
Community center with meeting space	1	2	3	4
Professional services (legal, financial)	1	2	3	4
Performing and visual art facilities	1	2	3	4
Trash pick-up services	1	2	3	4
Other (please specify):	1	2	3	4

Lee's Natural Resources for the Next Ten Years

Please circle the one number that best describes how important each of the following Town of Lee natural resource issues below is to you using the following scale: 1="Not Important at All" 2="Somewhat Important" 3="Important" 4="Very Important"

Factor	Not Important at All	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important
Protect aquifers for drinking water	1	2	3	4
Protect surface water (lakes and ponds) quality and quantity	1	2	3	4
Protect buffers around streams and rivers	1	2	3	4
Protect floodplains to reduce flood hazards	1	2	3	4
Protect ridgelines from development	1	2	3	4
Protect views of open space and hillsides	1	2	3	4
Preserve agricultural land	1	2	3	4
Protect and acquire more open space	1	2	3	4
Preserve forest lands	1	2	3	4
Protect wildlife corridors and habitats	1	2	3	4
Develop public access points to protected areas.	1	2	3	4
Other (please specify):	1	2	3	4

Use and Development of Land in Lee for the Next Ten Years

Please circle the one number that best describes how important each of the following Town of Lee land-related **recreational activities** below is to you using the following scale: 1="Not Important at All" 2="Somewhat Important" 3="Important" 4="Very Important"

Factor	Not Important at All	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important
Athletic fields	1	2	3	4
Trails for walking, snowshoeing, skiing	1	2	3	4
Bicycling	1	2	3	4
Mountain biking trails	1	2	3	4
Boating, fishing, swimming	1	2	3	4
ATV and snowmobile trails	1	2	3	4
Ice skating	1	2	3	4
Hunting	1	2	3	4
Other (please specify):	1	2	3	4

Use and Development of Land in Lee for the Next Ten Years (continued)

Please circle the one number that best describes how important each of the following Town of Lee land **residential and commercial development** characteristics below is to you using the following scale: 1="Not Important at All" 2="Somewhat Important" 3="Important" 4="Very Important"

Factor	Not Important at All	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important
Encourage clustering of new residential subdivisions	1	2	3	4
Limit the number of residential building permits	1	2	3	4
Permit high residential and commercial density in certain areas to preserve rural area elsewhere	1	2	3	4
Permit high residential density as a bonus for creation of affordable housing	1	2	3	4
Decrease the size of housing lots in specific residential areas	1	2	3	4
Acquire more open space land in Lee	1	2	3	4
Encourage new office development	1	2	3	4
Encourage new retail development	1	2	3	4
Encourage new industrial development	1	2	3	4
Encourage agri-business	1	2	3	4
Encourage agri-tourism	1	2	3	4
Other (please specify):	1	2	3	4

Town of Lee Community Buildings for the Next Ten Years

Please circle the one number that describes your opinion of each of the Town of Lee buildings for their adequacy below.

Facilities	Needs Improvement	Adequate	Good	Excellent	Don't know/ No opinion
Oyster River School buildings	1	2	3	4	0
Public Safety Complex (Police, Fire & public meeting space)	1	2	3	4	0
Library	1	2	3	4	0
Recreational facilities (parks/fields)	1	2	3	4	0
Highway & Public Works	1	2	3	4	0
Transfer Station	1	2	3	4	0
Town Hall and Annex	1	2	3	4	0
Other (please specify):	1	2	3	4	0

Participant Information

Please indicate your age group (mark with an X or ✓):

18-24 years old	_____	55-64 years old	_____
25-34 years old	_____	65-74 years old	_____
35-44 years old	_____	75-84 years old	_____
45-54 years old	_____	85 years or older	_____

How long have you lived in Lee? (mark with an X or ✓)

Less than 5 years	_____
5 to 10 years	_____
11-20 years	_____
21-30 years	_____
More than 30 years	_____

Please circle the one number that best describes how important **each** of the following factors was in your choice to live in Lee using the following scale: 1="Not Important at All" 2="Somewhat Important" 3="Important" 4= "Very Important"

Factor	Not Important At All	Somewhat Important	Important	Very Important
Good reputation of the Oyster River School District	1	2	3	4
Rural/agricultural character	1	2	3	4
Opportunity to purchase or rent	1	2	3	4
Property tax rate	1	2	3	4
Local outdoor activities (hiking, skiing, water sports)	1	2	3	4
Close to cities/urban areas	1	2	3	4
Close to seacoast	1	2	3	4
Close to mountains	1	2	3	4
Safe environment (low crime rate)	1	2	3	4
Historic features	1	2	3	4
Ties to family and/or friends who live in Lee	1	2	3	4
Reasonable commute to work	1	2	3	4
Other (please specify):	1	2	3	4

How often do you attend Town of Lee, community, church, or school-related activities in Lee? (mark with an X or ✓)

Every week _____
 Several times a month _____
 Several times a year _____
 Never _____

How often do you volunteer your time for Town of Lee, community, church or school-related groups (mark with an X or ✓)

Every week _____
 Several times a month _____
 Several times a year _____
 Never _____

Please add any comments in the space below. You may add an extra page as desired.

Thank you for taking the time to answer our questionnaire. Please mail it in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope to The Lee Planning Board by **June 30, 2015**.