

Appendix for the Southwick, MA 2022 Master Plan Survey

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(Write in Response from Question 5)

5. Which of the following categories best describes your employment status? Select all that apply.

Summary of Data			
Category	Qty	% of Total	
Self employed	16	53.3	
Disabled	4	13.3	
Other	4	13.3	
Military	2	6.7	
Retired	2	6.7	
Semi-retired	2	6.7	
	30	100.0	

(Write in Response from Question 5)

5. Which of the following categories best describes your employment status? Select all that apply.

Actual Responses Below

Self Employed

	Qty	Category
artist; painting and small gallery operator	1	self
Business Owner	3	self
entrepreneur	1	self
self	1	self
Self Employed	1	self
Self employed	1	self
self employed	1	self
Self employed	2	self
Self-employed	2	self
self-employed	1	self
self	1	self
writer	1	self
	16	Total

Disabled

	Qty	
Disability	1	disabled
Disability	1	disabled
Disabled	2	disabled
disability	1	disabled
	5	Total

Other

Have a summer job	1	other
Union Officer	1	other
Volunteer part time in family business	1	other
On hiatus after 32 years, medical reasons	1	other
	4	Total

Question 5 Responses Continued

5. Which of the following categories best describes your employment status?
Select all that apply.

Actual Responses Below		
Military		
	Qty	
Air Nation Guard	1	military
Military	1	military
	2	Total
Retired		
Retired from Southwick school system	1	retired
Retired working in family business	1	retired
	2	Total
Semi-retired		
Semi-retired	1	semi-retired
semi-retired	1	semi-retired
	2	Total

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual summarized Responses Below

	Encourage	Encourage	Discourage	Discourage	No change	No change	Responses
	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count
Farming	34	13.7	1	0.4	1	0.4	36
Recreation	28	11.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	27
Business	27	10.8	6	2.4	0	0.0	32
Open space	19	7.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	19
Other	16	6.4	2	0.8	2	0.8	20
Housing	9	3.6	3	1.2	1	0.4	13
Water bans	9	3.6	0	0.0	0	0.0	9
Parks	8	3.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	8
Taxes	8	3.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	8
Controlled growth	7	2.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	7
Off-road recreation	7	2.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	7
Events	7	2.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	7
Congamond	6	2.4	1	0.4	0	0.0	8
Biking	6	2.4	0	0.0	0	0.0	6
Alternative energy	5	2.0	1	0.4	0	0.0	6
Conservation	5	2.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	5
Fiber/Internet	5	2.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	5
Beautification	3	1.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	3
Gov't	3	1.2	0	0.0	0	0.0	3
Cannabis	2	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Town center	2	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Sidewalks	2	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Schools	2	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Motocross	2	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Historical	2	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Roads	2	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Diversity	2	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
Trash pick-up	2	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	2
No growth	1	0.4	0	0.0	1	0.4	2
	231	92.8	14	5.6	5	2.0	249

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Farming				Encourage	Discourage	No change
				Count	Count	Count
Agricultural	farming			1	0	0
Agricultural	farming			1	0	0
Agricultural use	farming			1	0	0
Agriculture	farming			1	0	0
Agriculture	farming			2	0	0
Agriculture and recreational	farming	recreation		1	0	0
Agriculture, open space	farming	open space		1	0	0
More agricultural	farming			1	0	0
More agricultural/cannabis	farming	cannabis		1	0	0
Open agricultural space	farming			0	0	0
Develop more bike paths and horse trails; preserve and encourage farming	farming	bike paths	horse trails	0	0	0
Farming	farming			6	0	0
Farming	farming			1	0	0
Farming and agriculture	farming			1	0	0
Farming, food markets	farming			1	0	0
Farming/agricultural	farming			1	0	0
Farmland	farming			1	0	0
Keep farm land	farming			1	0	0
Keep farmland areas	farming			0	0	1
Keep it a farm community	farming			1	0	0
Keeping the farmland	farming			1	0	0
local farming	farming			1	0	0
More farming	farming			0	0	0
More farms and farmland	farming			1	0	0
Preservation of farmland	farming			1	0	0
preserve farms and woodland areas	farming	wooded areas		1	0	0
Preserved Farmland	farming			1	0	0
Promoting more family farming-teaching younger generation the importance of fresh local produce, meat, honey etc.	farming			1	0	0
tobacco farming	farming			0	1	0
Cows	farming			0	0	0
No large corporate, maintain farming & recreational look & feel, maintain medium industry to small, protect water supplies	business	farming	water supply	1	0	0

Farming			Encourage	Discourage	No change
			Count	Count	Count
Small businesses and agriculture	business	farming	0	0	0
Single family homes and farming opportunities	housing	farming	1	0	0
Recreational, farming community	recreation	farming	1	0	0
Recreational, farming community	recreation	farming	1	0	0
protected wildlife areas/preserved farmland	open space	farming	0	0	0
			34	1	1

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Recreation	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Encourage	Discourage	No change
				Count	Count	Count
Add to the recreational environment of Southwick	recreation			1	0	0
At recreation spaces/public land/public parks	recreation			1	0	0
Develop recreational areas	recreation			1	0	0
Development of park and rec that supports land use and youth program development	recreation			0	0	0
improve recreation	recreation			1	0	0
Improve recreational options	recreation			1	0	0
Keep the recreational support and country ascetic	recreation	rural atmosphere		1	0	0
More land for recreational use	recreation			1	0	0
Recreation	recreation			1	0	0
Recreation at The Wick	recreation			1	0	0
Recreation: Expand biking/walking trails, activities at Whalley Park	recreation	biking	hiking	1	0	0
Recreational Access	recreation			1	0	0
Recreational activities (dirt bikes, ATVs)	recreation	off road trails		1	0	0
Recreational Green Spaces	recreation			1	0	0
Recreational land use	recreation			1	0	0
Recreational opportunities	recreation			0	0	0
Recreational spaces	recreation	open space		1	0	0
Recreational town for ALL types	recreation			1	0	0
Recreational usage	recreation			0	0	0
Recreational vehicle friendly	recreation	off road trails		1	0	0
Recreational, farming community	recreation	farming		1	0	0
The growth of its recreational outdoor activities.	recreation			1	0	0
pool for the residents of Southwick!	recreation			1	0	0
More hiking trails, nature centers, farm animal sanctuaries, wildlife sanctuaries,	recreation	wildlife		1	0	0
Agriculture and recreational	agriculture	recreation		1	0	0
Horse and bike trails	bike trails	recreation	horse trails	1	0	0
Make town more walkable/bike able.	biking	walking		1	0	0
preserve and encourage farming	farming	bike paths		0	0	0
Green outdoor spaces and recreation	open space	recreation		0	0	0
Green space, recreational	open space	recreation		1	0	0

Recreation				Encourage	Discourage	No change
	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Count	Count	Count
improving/renovating parks	parks	recreation		1	0	0
Parks, trails, nature preserves	recreation	hiking	conservation	1	0	0
at Whalley Park	recreation	biking	hiking	1	0	0
				28	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Business	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Encourage	Discourage	No change
				Count	Count	Count
Business to include recreational activities	business			1	0	0
commercial development	business			1	0	0
Discourage Natural resource extraction of sand, gravel, and water. Items 2 and 3 are too general. Specific kinds of development should be encouraged, but not development for development's sake.	business			0	1	0
Economic Development	business			1	0	0
buildings and new development	business			1	0	0
Expand industrial park on Tannery	business			0	1	0
get a strip mall	business			0	0	0
getting chic fil a	business			0	0	0
Growing Small Businesses in Southwick	business			1	0	0
Industrial development	business			0	1	0
already in town	business			0	1	0
Large industrial projects and huge developments	business			0	1	0
Development	Business			1	0	0
restaurants	business			1	0	0
National companies from moving here	business			0	1	0
No large corporate, maintain farming & recreational look & feel, maintain medium industry to small, protect water supplies	business	farming	water supply	1	0	0
Nonpolluting industries and businesses	business			1	0	0
Professional Business Development	Business			1	0	0
Promoting small business	business			1	0	0
Retail & Restaurant	business			1	0	0
Small business development	business			2	0	0
Small business that provides a service to our town	business			1	0	0
Small businesses and agriculture	business	agriculture		0	0	0
Small local business vs big company	business			1	0	0
Corporations	business			1	0	0
Smart small business development	business			1	0	0
Let's see a Trader Joe's	business			1	0	0
Organic/Natural/Fresh markets	business			1	0	0

Business				Encourage	Discourage	No change
	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Count	Count	Count
Build a Trader Joe's	business			1	0	0
Stay rural	business			0	0	0
Cultural events/boutiques	events	business		1	0	0
Keep the recreational support and country ascetic	recreation	business		1	0	0
Maintain small town feel while encouraging small businesses and recreation	small town feel	business	recreation	1	0	0
Maintain small town feel while encouraging small businesses and recreation	small town feel	business	recreation	1	0	0
Commercial property within a commercial park	business			1	0	0
Development of commercial businesses that both serve the community and create local jobs. Alter the mill rate to reflect a higher percentage paid by commercial or industrial businesses. Stop with the astronomically priced single-family homes-focus on residential	taxes	business		0	0	0
Create an identifiable downtown with a rural theme and encourage cottage industry to migrate there	town center	small town feel	business	1	0	0
				27	6	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

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Actual Responses Listed Below

Open Space Response	Category 1	Category 2	Encourage Count	Discourage Count	No change Count
Conservation Space	open space		1	0	0
Develop forested green spaces for public use	open space		0	0	0
Green outdoor spaces and recreation	open space	recreation	0	0	0
Green space	open space		2	0	0
Green space, recreational	open space	recreation	1	0	0
Greenspace	open space		1	0	0
More greenery for wildlife and less buildings	open space		1	0	0
More open space, recreational	open space	recreation	1	0	0
Open land conservation	open space		0	0	0
Open space	open space		1	0	0
Preserve open space and undeveloped land	open space		1	0	0
Promote outdoor leisure activities	open space		1	0	0
Public, recreational land development	open space		1	0	0
Keep opened land and clean lakes	open space	Congamond	1	0	0
Land for Preservation	open space		1	0	0
Preserve farms, not all open space. protected wildlife areas/preserved farmland	open space	farming	0	0	0
Agriculture, open space	agriculture	open space	1	0	0
preserve farms and woodland areas	farming	wooded areas	1	0	0
More hiking trails, nature centers, farm animal sanctuaries, wildlife sanctuaries,	hiking	wildlife	1	0	0
Development of public spaces (parks etc.)	parks	open space	0	0	0
Recreational spaces	recreation	open space	1	0	0
Recreational spaces	recreation	open space	1	0	0
			19	0	0

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Actual Responses Listed Below

Other

Response	Category 1	Category 2	Encourage	Discourage	No change
			Count	Count	Count
Allow more than one kitchen	other		1	0	0
Bring in new families	other		1	0	0
Community building	other		1	0	0
Community Involvement	other		1	0	0
Crazy climate change agendas	other		0	1	0
Don't understand question	other		0	0	1
If you want to force my hand	other		0	1	0
NO ESG	other		1	0	0
Ns	other		0	0	1
Nursing homes	other		1	0	0
rent control	other		1	0	0
The town should consider using our land to benefit the people. We have a beautiful area with lots of land. To use that land for industrial purposes is disheartening. There are so many other cities with abandoned buildings just sitting rotting away.					
I	other		0	0	0
Smart transition to a lower carbon footprint	other		1	0	0
Infrastructure improvement	other		1	0	0
more recycling centers	other		1	0	0
Alternate Transit Options like bike trails and a bus stop	other		1	0	0
Protecting trees in town....	other		1	0	0
and government agencies	other		1	0	0
for the bike path	biking	other	1	0	0
developed center of town	other	splash pad	1	0	0
Road Development and Public Transportation	roads	other	1	0	0
			16	2	2

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Housing Response	Category 1	Category 2	Encourage Count	Discourage Count	No change Count
Affordable Housing.	housing		1	0	0
Affordable housing for elderly	housing		1	0	0
Homesteading	housing		1	0	0
Huge expensive housing developments	housing		0	1	0
increase housing for seniors	housing		1	0	0
Minimal single-family homes	housing		0	0	1
Mixed residential/business	housing		1	0	0
Mixed use	housing		1	0	0
New homes	housing		0	1	0
NO LOW INCOME HOUSING!!!!	housing		1	0	0
Residential	housing		0	1	0
Single-family homes and farming opportunities	housing	farming	1	0	0
Integrated business and housing development	housing-mixed use		1	0	0
			9	3	1

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Water Shortage Solution Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Encourage Count	Discourage Count	No change Count
Address long term water needs	water shortage solution			1	0	0
Address long term water needs for drinking, irrigation, lake swimming.	water shortage solution			1	0	0
Bring us water! Stop being greedy. Don't get dumb woke. Agawam is not a successful model for growth!	water shortage solution	schools		1	0	0
Fix water infrastructure & renegotiate with state water restrictions	water shortage solution			1	0	0
Keeping our water resources clean	water shortage solution			1	0	0
Solve the residential water issue that has happened every year we have lived here	water shortage solution			1	0	0
Strategies for lowering water needs	water shortage solution			1	0	0
No large corporate, maintain farming & recreational look & feel, maintain medium industry to small, protect water supplies	business	farming	water shortage solution	1	0	0
Property tax needs to decrease, and water band issues	taxes	water shortage solution		1	0	0
				9	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Parks Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Encourage	Discourage	No change
				Count	Count	Count
Development of public spaces (parks etc.)	parks	open space		0	0	0
Encourage development of walkable areas, improving/renovating parks	parks	recreation		1	0	0
More playgrounds	parks			0	0	0
Parks	parks			1	0	0
Parks and preservation of wooded areas	parks	conservation lands		1	0	0
Parks, trails, nature preserves	parks	hiking	conservation land	1	0	0
More community involved activities, spray park, community events, children summer activities for all ages, etc.	splash park	events	child activities	1	0	0
More parks for children besides the schools. Even a splash park would be nice instead of driving to Agawam!	splash park	parks		1	0	0
Splash pad at Whalley Park for kids	splash park			1	0	0
Community center , splash pad in park , developed center of town	other	parks		1	0	0
				8	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Taxes Response	Category 1	Category 2	Encourage	Discourage	No change
			Count	Count	Count
Development of commercial businesses that both serve the community and create local jobs. Alter the mill rate to reflect a higher percentage paid by commercial or industrial businesses. Stop with the astronomically priced single-family homes-focus on res	taxes	business	0	0	0
Diversify our tax rate	taxes		1	0	0
Higher tax rates for business/industrial	taxes		1	0	0
Increase the business tax rate. It's way too low when compared to surrounding towns and cities. Also, it's the same as the residential tax rate.	taxes		1	0	0
Increase the tax rate for businesses	taxes		1	0	0
Keep my taxes lower	taxes		1	0	0
lower taxes for seniors	taxes		1	0	0
Property tax needs to decrease, and water ban issues	taxes	water supply	1	0	0
Tax breaks for residents more than 20 years	taxes		1	0	0
			8	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Controlled Growth		Encourage	Discourage	No change
Responses	Category	Count	Count	Count
Responsible growth, long-term business development	controlled growth	1	0	0
Slow development	controlled growth	1	0	0
Balanced, smart growth	controlled growth	1	0	0
Careful development	controlled growth	1	0	0
Sustainability	controlled growth	1	0	0
Sustainable responsible development residential, agricultural and commercial	controlled growth	1	0	0
updating existing business without disrupting farm/wildlife, leaving trees and woods intact	controlled growth	1	0	0
		7	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Off Road Recreation			Encourage	Discourage	No change
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count
Off road UTV, ATV and snowmobile use trails	offroad trails	snowmobiling	1	0	0
Recreational motorsports	offroad trails		1	0	0
Off road UTV, ATV and snowmobile use trails	offroad trails	snowmobiling	1	0	0
Recreational activities (dirt bikes, ATVs)	recreation	off road trails	1	0	0
Recreational vehicle friendly	recreation	off road trails	1	0	0
Recreational activities (dirt bikes, ATVs)	recreation	off road trails	1	0	0
Recreational vehicle friendly	recreation	off road trails	1	0	0
			7	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Events Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Encourage	Discourage	No change
				Count	Count	Count
Entertainment	events			0	0	0
More Festivals and Markets	events			1	0	0
Community events	events			0	0	0
Creating more community events within the town	events			1	0	0
Cultural events/boutiques	events	business		1	0	0
Increase town land use for community based social programs activities and events	events			1	0	0
Should use the land for town events	events			1	0	0
We need more things to do here	events			1	0	0
More community involved activities, spray park, community events, children summer activities for all ages, etc.	splash park	events	child activities	1	0	0
				7	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Congamond Response	Category 1	Category 2	Encourage	Discourage	No change
			Count	Count	Count
Preservation and health of Lake Congamond	Congamond		1	0	0
Boating traffic on Congamond Lake			0	1	0
Congamond revitalization	Congamond		1	0	0
Focus on adding preserving the lakes and woods surrounding	Congamond		1	0	0
Lake boating restrictions/monitor size and number of boats	Congamond		0	0	0
Less boats and gas engine boats on our lakes	Congamond		1	0	0
Public lake access	Congamond		1	0	0
Keep opened land and clean lakes	open spaces	Congamond	1	0	0
			6	1	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Biking Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Encourage	Discourage	No change
				Count	Count	Count
Expansion of bike trail and lanes	bike trails			1	0	0
Horse and bike trails	bike trails	hoseback trails		1	0	0
Make town more walkable/bikeable.	biking	walking		1	0	0
Mountain Biking	biking			1	0	0
The roads could be more bike friendly and more parking for the bike path	biking	parking		1	0	0
Develop more bike paths and horse trails; preserve and encourage farming	farming	bike paths	horse trails	0	0	0
Recreation: Expand biking/walking trails, activities at Whalley Park	recreation	biking	hiking	1	0	0
				6	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Alternative Energy			Encourage	Discourage	No change
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count
for our municipal buildings; have solar or other green energy installed to promote green energy and cost savings	alternative energy		1	0	0
need balance of solar wind and fossil fuels to produce an adequate supply of electricity for lowering our carbon footprint	alternative energy		1	0	0
Renewable energy sources	alternative energy		1	0	0
Replacing forests with solar farms	alternative energy		0	1	0
Southwick currently has too many Solar fields in town that do not affect the town itself. These solar field, yes are good, but they also hurt the future solar that could directly benefit the town	alternative energy		1	0	0
Cheaper Electric and internet options	fiber	electric options	1	0	0
			5	1	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Conservation Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Encourage	Discourage	No change
				Count	Count	Count
Conservation	conservation			1	0	0
Taking care of North Pond/the lake	conservation			1	0	0
Proper access / amenities to North Pond preservation land including designated parking and rules.	conservation			1	0	0
Parks and preservation of wooded areas	parks	conservation		1	0	0
Parks, trails, nature preserves	parks	hiking	conservation	1	0	0
				5	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Fiber Response	Category 1	Category 2	Encourage	Discourage	No change
			Count	Count	Count
Cheaper Electric and internet options	fiber	electric options	1	0	0
Fiber internet	fiber		1	0	0
Fiber internet	fiber		1	0	0
Fiber Optic Internet	fiber		1	0	0
Updating our data infrastructure i.e. fiber internet	fiber		1	0	0
			5	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Beautification Response	Category	Encourage	Discourage	No change
		Count	Count	Count
Beautification of town center	beautification	1	0	0
Clean up the businesses that are here, physically	beautification	0	0	0
Improving the overall aesthetics of the town as well as establishing a visually pleasing town center.	beautification	0	0	0
Keeping natural areas clean	beautification	1	0	0
Maintain public spaces better	beautification	1	0	0
		3	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Government Response	Category	Encourage	Discourage	No change
		Count	Count	Count
change the leadership structure in town.... how about a mayor and elect town selectmen	gov't	1	0	0
Restore politicians' faith	gov't	1	0	0
Town contracts for electricity, cable, and gas	gov't	0	0	0
Diversify & Limit elected positions	gov't	1	0	0
		3	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Cannabis Response	Category 1	Category 2	Encourage	Discourage	No change
			Count	Count	Count
Cannabis growing in the same agriculture zoned areas; not separate overlay	cannabis		1	0	0
CBD / THC stores	cannabis		0	0	0
Dispensary	cannabis		0	0	0
More agricultural/cannabis	agriculture	cannabis	1	0	0
			2	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Town Center Response	Category 1	Category 2	Encourage Count	Discourage Count	No change Count
Create an identifiable downtown with a rural theme and encourage cottage industry to migrate there	town center	rural atmosphere	1	0	0
Create a more robust town center	town center		1	0	0
			2	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Sidewalks		Encourage	Discourage	No change
Response	Category	Count	Count	Count
Sidewalks on South Longyard Rd	sidewalks	0	0	0
Sidewalks to build community connection	sidewalks	1	0	0
Walkability (sidewalks)	sidewalks	1	0	0
		2	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Schools Response	Category 1	Category 2	Encourage	Discourage	No change
			Count	Count	Count
Invest in school sport fields & facilities	schools		0	0	0
Schools-geothermal	schools		1	0	0
Bring us water! Stop being greedy. Don't get dumb woke. Agawam is not a successful model for growth!	water shortage solution	schools	1	0	0
			2	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Motocross		Encourage	Discourage	No change
Response	Category	Count	Count	Count
More sporting events at the Wick	motocross	1	0	0
Preserving MX-338	motocross	1	0	0
		2	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Historical Response	Category	Encourage	Discourage	No change
		Count	Count	Count
Business development with historical design similar to some of our CT neighbors like Suffield and Simsbury or clean designs like the Longmeadow Shoppes. Including greenspace, trees and aesthetics into development plan.	historic designs	1	0	0
protect historical buildings	historical	1	0	0
		2	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Roads Response	Category 1	Category 2	Encourage	Discourage	No change
			Count	Count	Count
Road Development and Public Transportation	roads	other	1	0	0
Road Repair	roads		1	0	0
			2	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Diversity Response	Category	Encourage	Discourage	No change
		Count	Count	Count
Diversity	Diversity	1	0	0
Ethnic and cultural diversity	Diversity	1	0	0
		2	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

Trash Pick-up Response		Encourage Count	Discourage Count	No change Count
		Category		
Residential trash pickup	trash pick-up	1	0	0
Recycling program & Town garbage pick up	trash pick-up	1	0	0
		2	0	0

(Write in Response from Question 10)

10. Over the next 20 years, the town should encourage, discourage, or make no change...

Actual Responses Listed Below

No Growth Response		Encourage	Discourage	No change
	Category	Count	Count	Count
I grew up in this town and it is definitely not the small town it used to be. I think we've built up enough. The schools will be overloaded in another 20 years.	no growth	0	0	1
Stop turning Southwick into a CITY	no growth	1	0	0
		1	0	1

(Write in Response from Question 11)

11. Over the next 20 years, which type of development should be encouraged?
Please check all that apply and fill in with the types of development you would
prefer in Southwick that supports future trends.

Summary of Data Non Write-in

Major Category	Qty Encourage	% of 875 people that selected this category Total	% of the Qty Encouraged divided by 2358 total Responses
Agricultural	704	80.5	29.9
Business	547	62.5	23.2
Residential	433	49.5	18.4
Office	320	36.6	13.6
Industrial	213	24.3	9.0
Other	113	12.9	4.8
None	28	3.2	1.2
Total responses across all categories	2358		
Total # of residents responding to the question	875		

(Write in Response from Question 11)

11. Over the next 20 years, which type of development should be encouraged?
Please check all that apply and fill in with the types of development you would
prefer in Southwick that supports future trends.

Summary of Data for Write-in Responses

Major Category	# of Responses	% of Total
Business	450	27.2
Agriculture	422	25.5
Residential	274	16.6
Office	192	11.6
Industrial	150	9.1
Other	138	8.3
None	28	1.7
	1654	100.0

(Write in Response from Question 11)

11. Over the next 20 years, which type of development should be encouraged?
Please check all that apply and fill in with the types of development you would prefer in Southwick that supports future trends.

Summary of Responses

Agriculture	Qty Encourage	% of Total			
Farming	73	17.3%			
Sustainable	58	13.7%			
Cannabis	57	13.5%			
Year-round greenhouses	47	11.1%			
No cannabis	30	7.1%			
Maintain	28	6.6%			
Food crops	25	5.9%			
All	22	5.2%			
Agi-tourism	12	2.8%			
Encourage	9	2.1%			
Organic farming	9	2.1%			
Farm stands/market	7	1.7%			
Community farms	5	1.2%			
Local	5	1.2%			
Small	5	1.2%			
No tobacco	3	0.7%			
Tobacco	3	0.7%			
Co-op	3	0.7%			
Clean lakes	2	0.5%			
family owned	2	0.5%			
Hemp	2	0.5%			
hydroponics	2	0.5%			
All other qty of 1 each	15	3.1%			
Commercially viable	1	0.2%			
	422	100%			

(Write in Response from Question 11)

11. Over the next 20 years, which type of development should be encouraged? Please check all that apply and fill in with the types of development you would prefer in Southwick that supports future trends.

Agriculture Detailed Responses

Actual Responses Listed Below

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Farming					
Farming	9	farming			
farming	6	farming			
Farming and greenhouses	3	farming			
Farms	3	farming			
farms	3	farming			
Back to basics farm town	1	farming			
Build up farming again	1	farming			
Continue promoting tobacco , beef and dairy farming	1	farming			
Continue to encourage Ag Development	1	farming			
Continue with family farming	1	farming			
FARMING	1	farming			
FARMLAND, LOCALLY GROWN VEGETABLES, BEEF & POULTRY	1	farming			
Farm	1	farming			
Farm Land	1	farming			
Farm greenhouse no grass	1	farming	year-round greenhouses		
Farming	1	farming			
Farming & Greenhouses	1	farming	year-round greenhouses		
Farming etc.	1	farming			
Farming is what this community is about	1	farming			
Farming, green houses	1	farming	year-round greenhouses		
Farmland	1	farming			
Farms, Ranches, Basic Food	1	farming			
Farms, food stands, farm to table restaurants	1	farming	farm to table		
Farms, horse establishments; preserve more farmland	1	farming	horses		
Fields and farms	1	farming			
Lots of farms	1	farming			
Love farms	1	farming			
More Farming	1	farming			
More farm land	1	farming			
More farming	1	farming			
More farming	1	farming			
More farming even cannabis	1	farming			

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
More farming for local produce/products	1	farming			
More farms	1	farming			
Support Farming	1	farming			
more farming	1	farming			
more farms	1	farming			
more farms	1	farming			
more high growth trend crops, hemp, cannabis, soy and away from tobacco	1	farming	cannabis		
more of it	1	farming			
more open land, conservation	1	farming			
this is Southwick an agricultural community	1	farming			
Cannabis and save our farms	1	cannabis	farming		
Farming, cannabis	1	cannabis	farming		
Farming, cannabis	1	cannabis	farming		
farming, cannabis	1	cannabis	farming		
Hemp, Farming	1	hemp	farming		
Animal and people food supplies (non-cannabis growth)	1	no cannabis	farming		
Farming, no cannabis	1	no cannabis	farming		
No cannabis, farming	1	no cannabis	farming		
farming, but NOT cannabis	1	no cannabis	farming		
farming and greenhouses	1	year-round greenhouses	farming		
farming, greenhouses, agricultural development	1	year-round greenhouses	farming		
farming/year-round greenhouses	1	year-round greenhouses	farming		
Farms, food stands, farm to table restaurants	1	farming	farm to table		
	73				
Sustainable					
sustainable farming	8	sustainable			
Sustainable farming	6	sustainable			
Sustainable farming	3	sustainable			
sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses	2	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
More sustainable farming	1	sustainable			
More sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses so that Southwick is more able to sustain itself with locally-grown crops	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
Particularly sustainable types of agriculture, and exploring new fields of growth above just corn and tobacco	1	sustainable			
RANGING FROM SUSTAINABLE FARMING AND YEAR- ROUND GREENHOUSES TO AGRITOURISM AND CANNABIS	1	sustainable	cannabis	agri- tourism	
Regenerative Farming, Permaculture	1	sustainable			

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Small family farms or cooperatives that can be sustained and that local residents would support regularly.	1	sustainable	co-ops		
Small sustainable—NO Cannabis	1	sustainable	no cannabis		
Some cannabis, hemp, sustainable farming	1	sustainable	cannabis		
Sustainable Earth-friendly	1	sustainable			
Sustainable Farming	1	sustainable			
Sustainable and y/r greenhouse	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
Sustainable and year round	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
Sustainable farming & year-round greenhouses/cannabis	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
Sustainable farming agritourism and cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis	agri- tourism	
Sustainable farming and co-ops	1	sustainable	co-ops		
Sustainable farming, agritourism, cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis	agri- tourism	
Sustainable farming. NO CANNABIS!!	1	sustainable	no cannabis		
Sustainable farming; not cannabis	1	sustainable	no cannabis		
Sustainable farms, agritourism	1	sustainable	agri-tourism		
Sustainable/organic farms. Explore partnerships with area universities or colleges.	1	sustainable			
Transition to sustainable agriculture	1	sustainable			
Utilize available farmland, year-round greenhouse for healthier food year round	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
open fields sustainable	1	sustainable			
sustainable	1	sustainable			
sustainable and canna	1	sustainable	cannabis		
sustainable and cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis		
sustainable farm businesses and small farm stands, cannabis cultivation, hemp cultivation, agritourism	1	sustainable	cannabis	agri- tourism	
sustainable farming and greenhouses	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses to agritourism	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses	agri- tourism	
sustainable farming to year-round green houses	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming, agritourism, cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis	agri- tourism	
sustainable farming, agritourism, greenhouses	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses	agri- tourism	

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
sustainable farming, year-round greenhouses, some cannabis	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses	cannabis	
sustainable/cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis		
sustainable farming& year-round green houses	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
Cannabis, sustainable farming	1	cannabis	sustainable		
No cannabis. Sustainable farming	1	no cannabis	sustainable		
Greenhouses, cannabis cultivation, sustainable farming, year-round greenhouse production	1	year-round greenhouses	sustainable		
	58				
Cannabis					
Cannabis	9	cannabis			
Cannabis	2	cannabis			
cannabis	2	cannabis			
Allow cannabis farms	1	cannabis			
At least provide incentives to preserve existing where possible. Cannabis is fine if well managed.	1	cannabis	encourage		
Cannabis	1	cannabis			
Cannabis Farming	1	cannabis			
Cannabis growers	1	cannabis			
Cannabis, farming	1	cannabis			
Cannabis, farming, year round greenhouses	1	cannabis	year-round greenhouses		
Cannabis, nurseries/greenhouses, agritourism, sustainable	1	cannabis	year-round greenhouses		
Cannabis, sustainable farming	1	cannabis	sustainable		
Cannabis, sustainable farming,	1	cannabis	sustainable		
Cannabis, sustainable farming, year-round greenhouses	1	cannabis	year-round greenhouses		
Cannabis and save our farms	1	cannabis	Farming		
Consider allowing marijuana growing in Southwick	1	cannabis			
Farming, cannabis	1	cannabis	farming		
Farming, cannabis	1	cannabis	farming		
Hemp, Cannabis, Year Round Green House	1	cannabis	year-round greenhouses		
Knowing Southwick, a cannabis dispensary would be very popular	1	cannabis			
Let them grow marijuana, there's so much money to be had in this industry and the town is missing out on capturing this revenue	1	cannabis			
Marijuana cultivation and dispensary	1	cannabis			
cannabis	1	cannabis			
farming, cannabis	1	cannabis	farming		
grow cannabis!	1	cannabis			

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
marijuana farming	1	cannabis			
removed rec moratorium	1	cannabis			
more high growth trend crops, hemp, cannabis, soy and away from tobacco	1	farming	cannabis		
From foods, to Cannabis and cows more cows please	1	food crops	cannabis		
organic, sustainable, cannabis	1	organic farming	cannabis		
organics sustainable and cannabis	1	organic farming	cannabis		
RANGING FROM SUSTAINABLE FARMING AND YEAR- ROUND GREENHOUSES TO AGRITOURISM AND CANNABIS	1	sustainable	cannabis		
Some cannabis, hemp, sustainable farming	1	sustainable	cannabis		
Sustainable farming agritourism and cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis		
Sustainable farming, agritourism, cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis		
sustainable and canna	1	sustainable	cannabis		
sustainable and cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis		
sustainable farm businesses and small farm stands, cannabis cultivation, hemp cultivation, agritourism	1	sustainable	cannabis		
sustainable farming, agritourism, cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis		
sustainable/cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis		
Year round greenhouses and cannabis	1	Year-round greenhouses	cannabis		
cannabis year round green house	1	Year-round greenhouses	cannabis		
cannabis, year-round greenhouses, sustainable farming	1	Year-round greenhouses	cannabis		
cannabis and greenhouses	1	Year-round greenhouses	cannabis		
ranging from sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses to agritourism and cannabis	1	Year-round greenhouses	cannabis		
sustainable farming, year-round greenhouses, some cannabis	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses	cannabis	
sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses to agritourism and cannabis	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses	agri- tourism	cannabis
	57				
Year-round greenhouses					
Greenhouse and yr.-round farming	1	year-round greenhouses			
Greenhouses	1	year-round greenhouses			
Greenhouses, cannabis cultivation, sustainable farming, year-round greenhouse production	1	year-round greenhouses	sustainable		
Greenhouses, sustainable farming	1	year-round greenhouses			
Year-round	1	year-round greenhouses			
Year- round farming and cannabis	1	year-round greenhouses			

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Year-round green house farming of vegetables	1	year-round greenhouses			
Year-round greenhouses NOT CANNABIS	1	year-round greenhouses	no cannabis		
Year-round greenhouses and cannabis	1	year-round greenhouses	cannabis		
Year-round greenhouses, farming to help our community	1	year-round greenhouses			
Year-round greenhouses, nursery's, farmstands	1	year-round greenhouses	farm stands/market		
Year-round sustainable growing	1	year-round greenhouses			
Year-round greenhouses	1	year-round greenhouses			
cannabis year-round green house	1	year-round greenhouses	cannabis		
cannabis, year-round greenhouses, sustainable farming	1	year-round greenhouses	cannabis		
cannabis and greenhouses	1	year-round greenhouses	cannabis		
farming and greenhouses	1	year-round greenhouses	farming		
farming, greenhouses, agricultural development	1	year-round greenhouses	farming		
farming/year-round greenhouses	1	year-round greenhouses	farming		
farms, greenhouses	1	year-round greenhouses			
I would like to see year round farming in greenhouses to bring a profit to Southwick	1	year-round greenhouses			
ranging from sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses to agritourism and cannabis	1	year-round greenhouses	cannabis	agri- tourism	
year-round vegetable greenhouses	1	year-round greenhouses			
Cannabis, sustainable farming, year-round greenhouses	1	cannabis	year-round greenhouses		
Hemp, Cannabis, Year Round Green House	1	cannabis	year-round greenhouses		
Cannabis, farming, year round greenhouses	1	cannabis	year-round greenhouses		
Cannabis, nurseries/greenhouses, agritourism, sustainable	1	cannabis	year-round greenhouses		
Would love year round greenhouses, and farmer market.	1	farm stands/market	year-round greenhouses		
Farm greenhouse no grass	1	farming	year-round greenhouses		

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Farming & Greenhouses	1	farming	year-round greenhouses		
Farming, greenhouses	1	farming	year-round greenhouses		
Growing food, orchards, livestock, greenhouses	1	food crops	year-round greenhouses		
hydroponics, year-round	1	hydroponics	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses	2	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
More sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses so that Southwick is more able to sustain itself with locally-grown crops	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
Sustainable and y/r greenhouse	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
Sustainable and year-round	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
Sustainable farming & year-round greenhouses/cannabis	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
Utilize available farmland, year-round greenhouse for healthier food year round	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming and greenhouses	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses to agritourism	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses to agritourism and cannabis	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming to year-round green houses	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming, agritourism, greenhouses	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming, year-round greenhouses, some cannabis	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
sustainable farming& year- round green houses	1	sustainable	year-round greenhouses		
	47				
No Cannabis					
no cannabis	5	no cannabis			
All but cannabis	1	no cannabis			
All except cannabis	1	no cannabis			
Animal and people food supplies (non-cannabis growth)	1	no cannabis	farming		
Any including cannabis	1	no cannabis			
Even though its profitable, don't want to see cannabis outlets	1	no cannabis			

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Farming, no cannabis	1	no cannabis	farming		
Local food support/ not cannabis	1	no cannabis	food crops		
NO CANNABIS	1	no cannabis			
NO more cannabis or flower farms; grow foodstuffs for the local population.	1	no cannabis	food crops		
No cannabis	1	no cannabis			
No cannabis, don't become Easthampton	1	no cannabis			
No cannabis, farming	1	no cannabis	farming		
No cannabis.	1	no cannabis			
No cannabis. Sustainable farming	1	no cannabis	sustainable		
Not cannabis	1	no cannabis			
Not cannabis . Keep the farmland, protected wildlife environments	1	no cannabis			
Not more cannabis	1	no cannabis			
Yes but no cannabis	1	no cannabis			
farming (non-cannabis) hay, vegetables	1	no cannabis	food crops		
farming - non-cannabis vegetable and hay	1	no cannabis	food crops		
farming, but NOT cannabis	1	no cannabis	farming		
Small sustainable—NO Cannabis	1	sustainable	no cannabis		
Sustainable farming. NO CANNABIS!!	1	sustainable	no cannabis		
Sustainable farming; not cannabis	1	sustainable	no cannabis		
Year-A27round greenhouses NOT CANNABIS	1	rear-round greenhouses	no cannabis		
	30				
Maintain					
Maintain	1	maintain			
Maintains our history	1	maintain			
Need to conserve our farms	1	maintain			
Need to foster what we have remaining	1	maintain			
No change but manage underutilized spaces	1	maintain			
Preserve agricultural land and wildlife spaces	1	maintain			
Preserve current and encourage more farming	1	maintain			
Preserve farmland	1	maintain			
Protect our farmland. Promote the local farms.	1	maintain			
Protect/Increase Farmland	1	maintain			
SAVE OUR FARMLAND!!! Available land and the ability to grow food locally will be paramount to a future plagued by climate disruption. Preserving farmland will be a vital investment in our future.	1	maintain			
Same	1	maintain			
Same, whenever possible.	1	maintain			
To continue active utilization of existing farmland	1	maintain			
Want to preserve these spaces in use already rather by than loose them to business or residential.	1	maintain			
all natural farmlands should be protected from development be protected from development	1	maintain			
continue	1	maintain			

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
continue to embrace the farming community that Southwick was founded on, through adapting new agricultural practices.	1	maintain			
current & vineyards	1	maintain			
keep the farms intact, encourage local markets	1	maintain			
keep what we already have	1	maintain			
maintain farmlands	1	maintain			
maintain farms	1	maintain			
maintaining what already exists	1	maintain			
make it easy to keep the agricultural land in Southwick as is, or expand agricultural land	1	maintain			
preserve farmland	1	maintain			
protect farmland	1	maintain			
support of existing & new farms	1	maintain			
	28				
Food crops					
Food	1	food crops			
Food crops, forestry, livestock feed	1	food crops			
From foods, to Cannabis and cows more cows please	1	food crops	cannabis		
Fruits, vegetables, plants	1	food crops			
Growing food, orchards, livestock, greenhouses	1	food crops	year-round greenhouses		
Increased use of available agricultural land for livestock, crops.	1	food crops			
Keep the farms, grow hemp and other vegetables.	1	food crops	hemp		
People move here to get away from the city/suburbs. Big Y was empty for a time during COVID but if we encouraged agriculture local farmers could fill that void.	1	food crops			
farming for food	1	food crops			
farming vegetables and raising farm animals	1	food crops			
farmland should be kept to grow crops or solar farms	1	food crops	solar farms		
food, fruit, crop, honey, flower/tree, and livestock farming	1	food crops			
produce, farm fresh foods	1	food crops			
vegetable, horticulture	1	food crops			
vegetarian farming and associated services	1	food crops			
encourage local farming and availability of local food sources	1	encourage	food crops		
reduce tobacco and encourage more food crops	1	less tobacco	food crops		
local farming - food	1	Local	food crops		
local produce	1	Local	food crops		
encourage local farming and availability of local food sources	1	encourage	food crops		
Local food support/ not cannabis	1	no cannabis	food crops		

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
NO more cannabis or flower farms; grow foodstuffs for the local population.	1	no cannabis	food crops		
farming (non-cannabis) hay, vegetables	1	no cannabis	food crops		
farming - non-cannabis vegetable and hay	1	no cannabis	food crops		
Food, not tobacco	1	no tobacco	food crops		
More vegetable and tobacco	1	tobacco	food crops		
	25				
All					
All	3	all			
all	2	all			
as much as possible	2	all			
All forms	1	all			
All over town	1	all			
Any	1	all			
Encourage all farming use	1	all			
Encourage farms	1	all			
Encouraged including small farms	1	all			
Encouraged, Farming and Farmers Markets	1	all			
Farming all types	1	all			
Keep all plus more	1	all			
all as listed above	1	all			
all types	1	all			
any to continue use of farm land	1	all			
any type	1	all			
promote small family farms up to large agribusiness	1	all			
small and large	1	all			
	22				
Agri-tourism					
Agritourism	1	agri-tourism			
agritourism	1	agri-tourism			
RANGING FROM SUSTAINABLE FARMING AND YEAR-ROUND GREENHOUSES TO AGRITOURISM AND CANNABIS	1	sustainable	cannabis	agri-tourism	
Sustainable farming agritourism and cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis	agri-tourism	
Sustainable farming, agritourism, cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis	agri-tourism	
sustainable farm businesses and small farm stands, cannabis cultivation, hemp cultivation, agritourism	1	sustainable	cannabis	agri-tourism	
sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses to agritourism	1	sustainable	Year-round greenhouses	agri-tourism	
sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses to agritourism and cannabis	1	sustainable	Year-round greenhouses	agri-tourism	
sustainable farming, agritourism, cannabis	1	sustainable	cannabis	agri-tourism	
sustainable farming, agritourism, greenhouses	1	sustainable	Year-round greenhouses	agri-tourism	

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
ranging from sustainable farming and year-round greenhouses to agritourism and cannabis	1	year-round greenhouses	cannabis	agri-tourism	
Sustainable farms, agritourism	1	sustainable	agri-tourism		
	12				
Encourage					
encourage	1	encourage			
encourage and assist farming with fair taxes, decreased water rates, encourage green farming with less chemicals (offset costs)	1	encourage	organic farming		
encourage local farming and availability of local food sources	1	encourage	food crops		
encourage/support our local farms	1	encourage			
farms are good	1	encourage			
increase gentleman farmer, increase ease of entry into farming, shared equipment and training for new farmers, tax breaks for farmers increasing green space and affordable food using sustainable practices	1	encourage			
increasing all farms tax with tax breaks	1	encourage			
no farms no food. encourage agriculture	1	encourage			
At least provide incentives to preserve existing where possible. Cannabis is fine if well managed.	1	cannabis	encourage		
	9				
Organic farming					
Historical Methods, no Drugs	1	organic farming			
Its important to keep some farming space. Especially if we can grow organically and stop the wide use of chemicals.	1	organic farming			
Non-GMO-Organic	1	organic farming			
Organic farming	1	organic farming			
organic farming	1	organic farming			
organic food sources	1	organic farming			
organic, sustainable, cannabis	1	organic farming	cannabis		
organics sustainable and cannabis	1	organic farming	cannabis		
encourage and assist farming with fair taxes, decreased water rates, encourage green farming with less chemicals (offset costs)	1	encourage	organic farming		
	9				
Farm stands/market					
Farm stands	1	farm stands/market			
Farmer market/ community center	1	farm stands/market			
Farms and retail	1	farm stands/market			

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Support farm stands/ small farm shops	1	farm stands/market			
Town Farmers market	1	farm stands/market			
Would love year-round greenhouses, and farmer market.	1	farm stands/market	year-round greenhouses		
Year-round greenhouses, nurseries, farmstands	1	year-round greenhouses	farm stands/market		
	7				
Community farms					
CSA farms, community land for folks to share for veggie gardens	1	community farms			
Share farm markets, signs	1	community farms			
community garden space - flowers/vegetation along bike trail	1	community farms			
multiple community gardens, dog parks, farming education for next generation, hemp farming	1	community farms			
purchase of open land for farming etc.	1	community farms			
	5				
Local					
local farming - food	1	local	food crops		
local produce	1	local	food crops		
keep local farmers	1	local			
local farming	1	local			
locally owned	1	local			
	5				
Small					
Small farms for produce	1	small			
grow from home opportunities for self-sustainability	1	small			
small family farms	1	small			
small farming opportunities. No commercial farming facilities.	1	small			
small to medium	1	small			
	5				
No tobacco					
Especially non-tobacco	1	no tobacco			
Food, not tobacco	1	no tobacco	food crops		
anything but cancerous Tobacco	1	no tobacco			
	3				
Tobacco					
More vegetable and tobacco	1	tobacco			
Tobacco	1	tobacco			
Tobacco. Farming	1	tobacco			
	3				
Co-Ops					

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Co-Ops	1	co-op			
Small family farms or cooperatives that can be sustained and that local residents would support regularly.	1	sustainable	co-ops		
Sustainable farming and co-ops	1	sustainable	co-ops		
	3				
Clean lakes					
Clean lakes ...protection of farmlands	1	clean lakes			
clean water (lakes), protection of farmland	1	clean lakes			
	2				
family owned					
family owned	1	family owned			
individual and not government run	1	family owned			
	2				
Hemp					
Hemp, Farming	1	hemp	farming		
Keep the farms, grow hemp and other vegetables.	1	food crops	hemp		
	2				
hydroponics					
hydroponics	1	hydroponics			
hydroponics, year-round	1	hydroponics	year-round greenhouses		
	2				
All others that were mentioned once					
Land in tax sheltered use should need to wait 100 years after leaving in use before being allowed to subdivide.	1	100 year delay to unsheltered land			
Whatever is a commercially viable crop	1	commercially viable			
CSA	1	CSA			
work with state and national depts/grants to develop future crops to handle climate change	1	develop future crops			
Established turn over farms	1	established turn over farms			
Farms, food stands, farm to table restaurants	1	farming	farm to table		
Include farm vehicle lanes on major highways	1	farm vehicle accommodations			
reflecting historical character	1	historical character			
hobby farms	1	hobby farms			
Farms, horse establishments; preserve more farmland	1	farming	horses		
reduce tobacco and encourage more food crops	1	less tobacco	food crops		
In moderation & selective locations	1	limited			
save land for farming	1	save land for farming			

Farming	Qty Encourage	% of Total	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
farmland should be kept to grow crops or solar farms	1	food crops	solar farms		
Truck farming	1	truck farming			
	15				

(Write in Response from Question 11)

11. Over the next 20 years, which type of development should be encouraged? Please check all that apply and fill in with the types of development you would prefer in Southwick that supports future trends.

Summary of Responses

Business	Qty Encourage	% of Total			
Small	107	23.9%			
Retail	79	17.7%			
Diverse restaurants	52	11.6%			
Independent	38	8.5%			
High-tech	33	7.4%			
Cannabis	16	3.6%			
Entertainment	12	2.7%			
Encourage	11	2.5%			
All	6	1.3%			
Chains	6	1.3%			
Medium	6	1.3%			
Clean	5	1.1%			
Mixed-use	5	1.1%			
Variety	5	1.1%			
Limited	4	0.9%			
Grocery store	3	0.7%			
Green	3	0.7%			
Low utility usage	3	0.7%			
Medical	3	0.7%			
Sustainable	3	0.7%			
Hospitality	3	0.7%			
Family oriented	2	0.4%			
Farm to table	2	0.4%			
No cannabis	2	0.4%			
None	2	0.4%			
Professional	2	0.4%			
Recreational	2	0.4%			
specialty retail	2	0.4%			
Use existing space	2	0.4%			
All other Qty of 1 each	28	6.3%			
	447	100%			

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Actual Responses Listed Below				
Business Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Small				
Small business that is not polluting and do not need a lot of machinery or equipment	1	small	clean	
Small, clean businesses	1	small	clean	
			diverse	
Small business, camp/camping, fitness restaurants	1	small	restaurants	
			diverse	family oriented
Small business, restaurants, activities for kids	1	small	restaurants	
			diverse	
small business, restaurants	1	small	restaurants	
			diverse	
small retail hospitality	1	small	restaurants	entertainment
local small businesses, solar technology	1	small	green	
Office, research, Mom and Pop stores, retail stores - small and larger chains, only on a small scale.	1	small	independent	retail
Small business, professional and medical	1	small	medical	
SMALL TO MEDIUM	1	small	medium	
SMALL-MEDIUM LOCAL BUSINESSES	1	small	medium	
Small to medium	1	small	medium	
small to medium size	1	small	medium	
small to mid-sized business	1	small	medium	
small/medium	1	small	medium	
Small businesses such as boutiques, farm markets, local grocery markets, small businesses that meet the needs of residents	1	small	retail	
Small retail	1	small	retail	
Small retail, high-tech	1	small	retail	high-tech
Some small retail	1	small	retail	
small retail	1	small	retail	
				diverse
Small, specialty shops and restaurants	1	small		restaurants
small business aligning to growth in farmland and sustainable living	1	small	sustainable	
small business diversified types	1	small	variety	
small	8	small		
Small businesses	7	small		

Business Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Small business	6	small		
small business	4	small		
Small	3	small		
more small business	2	small		
small businesses	2	small		
small shops	2	small		
"Small" businesses	1	small		
Businesses that fit in to our community. Nothing large.	1	small		
SMALL technical manufacturing & warehousing,	1	small		
Small Business	1	small		
Small Business development	1	small		
Small and local business development	1	small		
Small boutiques; information center	1	small		
Small business	1	small		
Small business, business parks	1	small		
Small business/improvements	1	small		
Small businesses	1	small		
Small manufacturing	1	small		
Smaller businesses	1	small		
no large footprint	1	small		
small business	1	small		
small business NOT a Carvana	1	small		
small business along 202	1	small		
small business and small corporate	1	small		
small business development	1	small		
small business development within current industrial zones, promoting hiring within town.	1	small		
small start, incentives	1	encourage	small	
Keep small to mid-size businesses no large hubs or centers	1	independent	small	
Local small business	1	independent	small	
Local small businesses, restaurants, shops	1	independent	small	
Small family owned	1	independent	small	
Small family run business	1	independent	small	
Small local	1	independent	small	
Small local business, shops/restaurants etc	1	independent	small	
Small local family business	1	independent	small	
Small local incubus cells assist local businesses	1	independent	small	
Small localized business that will benefit the community	1	independent	small	
Small locally owned businesses	1	independent	small	
Small, family-owned businesses that provide services to our town	1	independent	small	
Small, local business	1	independent	small	
Start-ups/Family businesses	1	independent	small	

Business Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
local, small	1	independent	small	
locally owned small business	1	independent	small	
small independent	1	independent	small	
small independent	1	independent	small	
small independent business	1	independent	small	
small local	1	independent	small	
small local retail/services	1	independent	small	retail
small, local businesses	1	independent	small	
small, locally owned	1	independent	small	
Retail small business	1	retail	small	
Retail stores with clothing choices, unlike Ocean Job Lot, Walmart and Dollar stores	1	retail	small	
retail and service small business	1	retail	small	
retail, small business	1	retail	small	
small retail, specialty	1	specialty retail	small	
smaller retail specialty shops	1	specialty retail	small	
	107			
Retail				
Retail, bowling	1	retail	recreational	
Retail such as: Trader Joe, Aldi's,	1	retail	chains	
Trader Joe's, small business	1	retail	chains	
Trader Joes, more clean eating restaurants and food stores	1	retail	chains	diverse restaurants
Unique retail that attracts and appeals to younger generations ie Trader Joe's, Home goods/Marshall's, Target, Starbucks, as well as more unique hospitality options - more diverse dining options, outdoor dining, etc.	1	retail	chains	
Use existing vacant buildings. Please no more coffee shop chains or pizza shops. Bring in health food store, ie Trader Joe's. Discourage large parking lots such as the CVS which rarely has more than a few cars at one time.	1	retail	chains	diverse restaurants
Some retail and restaurants to encourage residents to shop local or attract daytime visitors to boutiques and specialty shops to	1	retail	diverse restaurants	
hospitality retail	1	retail	diverse restaurants	entertainment
retail, tech industry	2	Retail	high-tech	
Retail, high-tech	1	retail	high-tech	
retail, high-tech	1	retail	high-tech	
Retail clothing, lodging	1	retail	lodging	
Retail, bowling	1	retail	recreational	

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Retail small business	1	retail	small	
Retail stores with clothing choices, unlike Ocean Job Lot, Walmart and Dollar stores	1	retail	small	
retail and service small business	1	retail	small	
retail, small business	1	retail	small	
Retail	12	retail		
retail	6	retail		
More retail shops.	1	retail		
Retail	1	retail		
Retail stores	1	retail		
Retail variety	1	retail		
Retail, better then dollar stores	1	retail		
Retail, small local businesses	1	retail		
Stores that being people to town, Starbucks, shops	1	retail		
Strip mall with plenty of walking space	1	retail		
Agricultural, tourism, retail, lodging	1	agricultural business that supports agriculture	tourism	retail
Promote country type businesses in conjunction with our farms.			diverse	
More restaurants and shops in our downtown	1	agriculture	restaurants	retail
Cannabis, tech, retail	1	cannabis	high-tech	retail
Retail cannabis stores, Retail shops like seen in Longmeadow, non-chain restaurants	1	cannabis	retail	
more retail and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	retail
retail and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	retail
retail, food, family fun	1	diverse restaurants	family oriented	retail
Quality Restaurants and shopping	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Restaurants and stores to keep \$ local	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail & Restaurants	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail & hospitality to keep business dollars in town	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail / restaurants	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail and food service	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail and hospitality but not too big of a company	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail, restaurants, and medical	1	diverse restaurants	retail	

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Retail/restaurants	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
ranging from retail to restaurants	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
restaurants, retail	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
retail, hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
retail, restaurants, breweries	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
retail, restaurants, grocery	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
retail, restaurants, services	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
tech, retail	1	high-tech	retail	
small local retail/services	1	independent	small	retail
Hospitality, retail stores, cannabis shops	1	hospitality	retail	cannabis
Local shops-retail	1	Independent	retail	
Office, research, Mom and Pop stores, retail stores - small and larger chains, only on a small scale.	1	Small	Independent	retail
Small businesses such as boutiques, farm markets, local grocery markets, small businesses that meet the needs of residents	1	small	retail	
Small retail	1	small	retail	
Small retail, high tech	1	small	retail	high-tech
Some small retail	1	small	retail	
small retail	1	small	retail	
Agricultural, tourism, retail, lodging	1	agricultural	tourism	retail
	79			
Diverse restaurants				
Fine Dining, Entertainment	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	
More restaurants, retail, and entertainment	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	
fine dining and entertainment	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	
food and entertainment	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	
more retail and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	retail
retail and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	retail
retail and hospitality to robotics and high-tech	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	high tech
retail and hospitality with housing/apartments above	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	mixed-use
retail, food, family fun	1	diverse restaurants	family oriented	retail

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Quality Restaurants and shopping	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Restaurants and stores to keep \$ local	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail & Restaurant	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail & hospitality to keep business dollars in town	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail / restaurant	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail and food service	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail and hospitality but not too big of a company	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail, restaurants, and medical	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Retail/restaurant	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
ranging from retail to restaurants	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
restaurants, retail	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
retail, hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
retail, restaurants, breweries	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
retail, restaurants, grocery	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
retail, restaurants, services	1	diverse restaurants	retail	
Better food that is not strictly Italian, bars, or Pizza.	1	diverse restaurants		
Food/restaurants, coffee shops, small businesses	1	diverse restaurants		
Increase shopping and restaurant options	1	diverse restaurants		
More fast food choices	1	diverse restaurants		
More restaurants and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants		
More restaurants and hospitality options	1	diverse restaurants		
Restaurant	1	diverse restaurants		
Restaurants	1	diverse restaurants		
Restaurants lakeside	1	diverse restaurants		

Business Detailed Reponses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
another restaurant	1	diverse restaurants		
restaurants	1	diverse restaurants		
Promote country type businesses in conjunction with our farms. More restaurants and shops in our downtown	1	business that supports agriculture	diverse restaurants	retail
hospitality, high-tech	1	high-tech	diverse restaurants	entertainment
hospitality, tech, green industry	1	high-tech	diverse restaurants	entertainment
More retail, grocery, and restaurant choices	1	more choices	grocery store	diverse restaurants
Trader Joes, more clean eating restaurants and food stores	1	retail	chains	diverse restaurants
Use existing vacant buildings. Please no more coffee shop chains or pizza shops. Bring in health food store, ie Trader Joe's. Discourage large parking lots such as the CVS which rarely has more than a few cars at one time.	1	retail	chains diverse restaurants	entertainment
hospitality retail	1	retail	diverse restaurants	entertainment
Small business, camp/camping, fitness restaurants	1	small	diverse restaurants	family oriented
Small business, restaurants, activities for kids	1	small	diverse restaurants	entertainment
small retail hospitality	1	small	diverse restaurants	
small business, restaurants	1	small	diverse restaurants	
Small, specialty shops and restaurants	1	small	small	diverse restaurants
	52			
Independent				
Local shops-retail	1	independent	retail	
Keep small to mid-size businesses no large hubs or centers	1	independent	small	
Local small business	1	independent	small	
Local small businesses, restaurants, shops	1	independent	small	
Small family owned	1	independent	small	
Small family run business	1	independent	small	
Small local	1	independent	small	
Small local business, shops/restaurants etc	1	independent	small	
Small local family business	1	independent	small	
Small local incubus cells assist local businesses	1	independent	small	
Small localized business that will benefit the community	1	independent	small	
Small locally owned businesses	1	independent	small	

Business Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Small, family-owned businesses that provide services to our town	1	independent	small	
Small, local business	1	independent	small	
Start-ups/Family businesses	1	independent	small	
local, small	1	independent	small	
locally owned small business	1	independent	small	
small independent	1	independent	small	
small independent	1	independent	small	
small independent business	1	independent	small	
small local	1	independent	small	
small local retail/services	1	independent	small	retail
small, local businesses	1	independent	small	
small, locally owned	1	independent	small	
Local commerce and services operating in a sustainable manner	1	independent	sustainable	
Independent businesses	2	independent		
Independently owned	1	independent		
Keep away from Franchise Businesses	1	independent		
Local businesses	1	independent		
Locally owned restaurants	1	independent		
Mom and Pop businesses no chains!	1	independent		
More mom and pop shops or restaurants	1	independent		
local job opportunity	1	independent		
local owned, small company, no Dollar Stores	1	independent		
promote local business, not chains.	1	independent		
Carbon neutral; walkable business district, more variety of retail options such as clothing, books, home merchandise. Currently "Shop local" is not available, except for farm stands, bars, pizza shops, and hair salons. Build a concentrated walkable business district and encourage its use with attractive design, ample parking behind shops, wide sidewalks, landscaping	1	green	independent	
Office, research, Mom and Pop stores, retail stores - small and larger chains, only on a small scale.	1	Small	independent	retail
	38			
High-tech				
Tech, quality food options	1	high-tech	diverse restaurants	
hospitality, high-tech	1	high-tech	diverse restaurants	entertainment
hospitality, tech, green industry	1	high-tech	diverse restaurants	entertainment
tech, retail	1	high-tech	retail	
High-tech	2	high-tech		

Business Detailed Reponses	Qty	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
	Encourage			
Tech	2	high-tech		
high-Tech	2	high-tech		
Automation	1	high-tech		
Encourage high tech businesses, fewer Dollar stores	1	high-tech		
High-tech	1	high-tech		
High-tech	1	high-tech		
Industrial, high-tech	1	high-tech		
Robotics	1	high-tech		
Robotics and High-tech	1	high-tech		
Technology	1	high-tech		
automated solutions	1	high-tech		
high-tech and community oriented	1	high-tech		
high-tech, robotics	1	high-tech		
robotics and high-tech	1	high-tech		
robotics and high-tech	1	high-tech		
technology	1	high-tech		
tending toward a Silicon Valley	1	high-tech		
Cannabis, tech, retail	1	cannabis	high-tech	retail
retail and hospitality to robotics and high-tech	1	diverse		
retail, tech industry	2	restaurants	entertainment	high-tech
Retail, high-tech	1	retail	high-tech	
retail, high-tech	1	retail	high-tech	
Small retail, high-tech	1	small	retail	high-tech
	33			
Cannabis				
Cannabis, tech, retail	1	cannabis	high-tech	retail
Retail cannabis stores, Retail shops like seen in Longmeadow, non-chain restaurants	1	cannabis	retail	
Cannabis	1	cannabis		
Cannabis	1	cannabis		
Cannabis - we lose soooooo much money with people from Connecticut and elsewhere going to Westfield to buy pot. AND if we could get a Trader Joe's that would be fantastic and bring a ton of people to Southwick. Everyone I know wants a Trader Joe's. Cheaper and better than Big Y.	1	cannabis		
Cannabis Dispensary	1	cannabis		
Cannabis Dispensary,	1	cannabis		
Cannabis dispensaries	1	cannabis		
Cannabis. Surrounding communities have them already	1	cannabis		
Cannabis	1	cannabis		
Dispensary	1	cannabis		

Business Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
cannabis	1	cannabis		
cannabis dispensary	1	cannabis		
dispensary	1	cannabis		
Make space focused on high-tech & low tech skills, cannabis retail/bars like Europe	1	high-tech	cannabis	
Hospitality, retail stores, cannabis shops	1	hospitality	retail	cannabis
	16			
Entertainment				
Fine Dining, Entertainment	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	
More restaurants, retail, and entertainment	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	
fine dining and entertainment	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	
food and entertainment	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	
more retail and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	retail
retail and hospitality	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	retail
retail and hospitality to robotics and high-tech	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	high tech
retail and hospitality with housing/apartments above	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	mixed-use
hospitality, high-tech	1	high-tech	diverse restaurants	entertainment
hospitality, tech, green industry	1	high-tech	diverse restaurants	entertainment
small retail hospitality	1	small	diverse restaurants	entertainment
	12			
Encourage				
small start, incentives	1	encourage	small	
Encourage	1	encourage		
More business	1	encourage		
More incentives for businesses to come within the area	1	encourage		
Tax breaks and grants for small businesses, especially those run from home (Etsy sellers, artists, other E-retailers) and opening a marijuana dispensary to reduce Southwick resident's reliance on dispensaries outside of the town and to bring in tax revenue	1	encourage		
businesses that would directly benefit local residents and generate tax revenue	1	encourage		
commercial	1	encourage		
creating new businesses that are in alignment with the towns focus and populace	1	encourage		

Business Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
encourage more retail business	1	encourage		
friendly to business with permitting and taxes	1	encourage		
Small business support	1	encourage		
	11			
All				
All	1	all		
Anything that can diversify the tax base	1	all		
Office, tech, artisan... food, hospitality	1	all		
Your examples have too much Green Speak. Any Business would be fine.	1	all		
all business	1	all		
all types without strain on resources	1	all		
	6			
Chains				
More activities or chain businesses	1	chains		
Retail such as: Trader Joe, Aldi's,	1	retail	chains	
Trader Joe's, small business	1	retail	chains	
Trader Joes, more clean eating restaurants and food stores	1	retail	chains	diverse restaurants
Unique retail that attracts and appeals to younger generations ie Trader Joe's, Home goods/Marshall's, Target, Starbucks, as well as more unique hospitality options - more diverse dining options, outdoor dining, etc.	1	retail	chains	
Use existing vacant buildings. Please no more coffee shop chains or pizza shops. Bring in health food store, ie Trader Joe's. Discourage large parking lots such as the CVS which rarely has more than a few cars at one time.	1	retail	chains	diverse restaurants
	6			
Medium				
SMALL TO MEDIUM	1	small	medium	
SMALL-MEDIUM LOCAL BUSINESSES	1	small	medium	
Small to medium	1	small	medium	
small to medium size	1	small	medium	
small to mid-sized business	1	small	medium	
small/medium	1	small	medium	
	6			
Clean				
small businesses that are environmentally responsible	1	clean	sustainable	
Clean Professional Business - Discourage the transition of Southwick to the look and feel of Westfield and Agawam.				
Discourage retail development.	1	clean		
Clean, non-invasive	1	clean		

Business Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Small business that is not polluting and do not need a lot of machinery or equipment	1	small	clean	
Small, clean businesses	1	small	clean	
	5			
Mixed-use				
Mixed use with residential	1	mixed use		
Office condos, small shopping areas, not the current strip centers	1	mixed-use		
enterprise zone, combined business/residential structures	1	mixed-use		
retail, mixed-use space	1	mixed-use		
retail and hospitality with housing/apartments above	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	mixed-use
	5			
Variety				
A variety of businesses, especially those that are not already present in the town (hospital, robotics, etc.) in order to boost the local economy	1	variety		
Business to support the town and its citizens needs	1	variety		
Clothing, restaurants, entertainment	1	variety		
Commerce	1	variety		
small business diversified types	1	Small	variety	
	5			
Limited				
In moderation & selective locations	1	limited		
Only in spaces already deemed for these purposes. Keep the town on the smaller side with a lower tax burden.	1	limited		
determined by overall impact rather than just a zoning requirement. e.g. Carvana promised to put in a new well if water usage placed too much demand. State law controls usage. As far as I know, private business can't draw water from aquifer. MA law	1	limited		
Some bigger retailers would be nice. Just not too many.	1	some bigger	limited	
	4			
Grocery Store				
restaurants, grocery stores	1	grocery store	diverse restaurants	
Supermarket	1	grocery store		
More retail, grocery, and restaurant choices	1	more choices	grocery store	diverse restaurants
	3			
Green				

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Green	1	green		
local small businesses, solar technology	1	small	green	
	3			
Low utility usage				
Low water and sewer use	1	low utility usage		
any low impact businesses	1	low utility usage		
light business	1	low utility usage		
	3			
Medical				
Doctors' office	1	medical		
Satellite medical services	1	medical		
Small business, professional and medical	1	small	medical	
	3			
Sustainable				
small businesses that are environmentally responsible	1	clean	sustainable	
Local commerce and services operating in a sustainable manner	1	independent	sustainable	
small business aligning to growth in farmland and sustainable living	1	small	sustainable	
	3			
Hospitality				
Hospitality, retail stores, cannabis shops	1	hospitality	retail	cannabis
Hospitality	2	hospitality		
	3			
Family Oriented				
Small business, restaurants, activities for kids	1	small	diverse restaurants	family oriented
retail, food, family fun	1	diverse restaurants	family oriented	retail
	2			
Farm to Table				
Farm to Table	1	farm to table		
Farm to table restaurants	1	farm to table		
	2			

Business Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
No cannabis				
No retail cannabis	1	no cannabis		
Not cannabis	1	no cannabis		
	2			
None				
Farmland Only	1	none		
no	1	none		
	2			
Professional				
Professional	1	professional		
professionals reflecting historical character in architecture	1	professional		
	2			
Recreational				
Outdoor commercial recreation	1	outdoor recreation		
Recreational business	1	recreational		
	2			
Specialty Retail				
small retail, specialty	1	specialty retail	small	
smaller retail specialty shops	1	specialty retail	small	
	2			
Use Existing Space				
attract to existing space	1	use existing space		
retail to fill empty existing	1	use existing space		
	2			
All Other with Qty of 1				
Maker space focused on high-tech & low-tech skills, cannabis retail/bars like Europe	1	high-tech	cannabis	
With a strict architectural design plan to maximize green space and aesthetics. Typical "chain store" looks should be discouraged.	1	aesthetic arts and vocational centers		
Arts and vocational centers	1	balanced		
A Balance	1	big Box		
Big box shopping	1	brewery		
brewery, not fast food	1	business on lake		
Cleaning up the lake and increase recreational use of Congamond	1			

Business Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Promote country type businesses in conjunction with our farms. More restaurants and shops in our downtown more diverse kinds of businesses	1 1 1	business that supports agriculture diverse	diverse restaurants	retail
Need the tax base high end retail	1 1	grow tax base high end retail		
High speed internet for small businesses Jobs for highly educated young people less	1 1 1	high speed internet job growth less		
Less breweries	1	fewer breweries		
More retail, grocery, and restaurant choices New business White collar jobs Services	1 1 1 1	more choices new office services	diverse grocery store	restaurants
Shared office and business start-up spaces A second Mrs.. Murphy's machine shops, small manufacturing	1 1 1	shared office/start-up similar to current small manufacturing		
Some bigger retailers would be nice. Just not too many. specialty grocery	1 1	some bigger specialty grocery	limited	
Agricultural, tourism, retail, lodging We would need to assess this at the time. Too soon to tell. Wish I had that million-dollar idea.. Retail clothing, lodging	1 1 1 1	agricultural retail	tourism lodging	retail
	28			

(Write in Response from Question 11)

11. Over the next 20 years, which type of development should be encouraged? Please check all that apply and fill in with the types of development you would prefer in Southwick that supports future trends.

Summary of Responses

	Qty Encourage	% of Total			
Residential					
Single-family homes	80	29.2%			
Affordable	49	17.9%			
Condos	22	8.0%			
Senior housing	19	6.9%			
All types balanced	11	4.0%			
Smaller houses	11	4.0%			
Limited	10	3.6%			
Apartments	7	2.6%			
Larger lots	7	2.6%			
Encourage	5	1.8%			
Middle class	5	1.8%			
Mixed use	5	1.8%			
Duplex	4	1.5%			
No more	3	1.1%			
High quality/end single-family	2	0.7%			
Multi family	2	0.7%			
No low income	2	0.7%			
Smaller lots	2	0.7%			
Starter homes	2	0.7%			
Subdivisions	2	0.7%			
Sustainable	2	0.7%			
Tiny houses	2	0.7%			
All other qty of 1 each	20	7.3%			
	274	100.0%			

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Actual Responses Listed Below

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Single-family homes				
single-family homes	9	single-family homes		
single-family homes	7	single-family homes		
single-family	3	single-family homes		
single-family Homes	2	single-family homes		
single-family	2	single-family homes		
single-family housing	2	single-family homes		
A minor focus on single-family housing	1	single-family homes		
Individual homes over large-scale developments	1	single-family homes		
Land West of 202 open to single-family parcels	1	single-family homes		
More neighborhoods for families.	1	single-family homes	subdivisions	
Single-family homes	1	single-family homes		
S.F. and Condo	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family	1	single-family homes		
single-family HOMES, CONDOS	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family Housing	1	single-family homes		
single-family, Elderly	1	single-family homes	elderly	

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Single detached homes	1	single-family homes		
Single families	1	single-family homes		
single-family & condo	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family & elderly housing	1	single-family homes	elderly	
single-family & tiny homes	1	single-family homes	tiny houses	
single-family and apartments	1	single-family homes	apartments	
single-family detached homes	1	single-family homes		
single-family home	1	single-family homes		
single-family home, senior housing	1	single-family homes	elderly	
single-family homes	1	single-family homes		
single-family homes and small condos like Rosewood and Wynfield	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family homes for mid income families	1	single-family homes		
single-family homes with or without in law apartments. Condominiums designed to fit and blend with the landscape.	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family homes, condominiums	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family homes, not apartment complexes	1	single-family homes		
single-family houses spaced out	1	single-family homes	larger lots	
single-family housing not overdeveloping	1	single-family homes	limited	
single-family minimum 1 acres	1	single-family homes	larger lots	
single-family only	1	single-family homes		
single-family residence	1	single-family homes		
single-family with in-law apartments	1	single-family homes		

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Single-Family	1	single-family homes		
Single-family homes, starter homes, apartments/condos, low-income housing	1	single-family homes	condos	
Single-family, assisted living, long-term care	1	single-family homes	elderly	
Single-family	1	single-family homes		
Small developments NOT like the golf course - Southwick Country Club and Deer Run area. All the trails I used to ride my horse on are gone in the Deer Run area. Also, there is no need for more elderly housing developments.	1	single-family homes	limited	
more single-family homes	1	single-family homes		
nice single/duplex homes	1	single-family homes	duplex	
one and two-family homes	1	single-family homes	duplex	
ranging from single-family homes to >55 communities	1	single-family homes	elderly	
single-family homes	1	single-family homes		
single and multi	1	single-family homes	duplex	
single-family	1	single-family homes		
single-family homes	1	single-family homes		
single-family homes, condos, duplexes	1	single-family homes	duplex	condos
single-family in keeping with historical character	1	single-family homes		
single-family only	1	single-family homes		
single-family, limit new developments	1	single-family homes		
single homes not developments	1	single-family homes	no developments	
Affordable homes and new land with single-family homes in the affordable spectrum	1	affordable	single-family homes	
Affordable single-family housing, not McMansions. No encroachment onto farmlands.	1	affordable	single-family homes	

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
low and middle income single-family homes	1	affordable	single-family homes	
Condos, apartments, affordable single-family detached homes	1	condos	single-family homes	
Condos, townhouses, single-family homes	1	condos	single-family homes	
Housing subdivision	1	subdivisions	single-family homes	
	80			
Affordable housing				
affordable housing	5	affordable		
Affordable housing	3	affordable		
Affordable Housing	2	affordable		
Housing for all income levels	2	affordable		
Affordable Housing / Apartments	1	affordable		
Affordable Housing for seniors & younger demographics	1	affordable		
Affordable apartments for seniors	1	affordable		
Affordable homes and new land with single-family homes in the affordable spectrum	1	affordable	single-family homes	
Affordable housing for the elderly	1	affordable		
Affordable housing; multi-family occupancy	1	affordable		
Affordable low/middle income housing for seniors	1	affordable		
Affordable senior housing	1	affordable		
Affordable single-family housing, not McMansions. No encroachment onto farmlands.	1	affordable	single-family homes	
Better low income housing improvements	1	affordable		
Build more affordable apartments	1	affordable		
Cater to middle class affordable homes and limited condo/townhouse apartment options	1	affordable		
Low income	1	affordable		
Low income apartments and affordable starter homes NOT giant homes we have no use for.	1	affordable		
Low income, multi family, energy efficient and grid tied but producing more power than using.	1	affordable		
Lower income housing	1	affordable		
More affordable housing	1	affordable		
More affordable housing options	1	affordable		
More mid-level homes \$150,000-\$300,000	1	affordable		

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
More spaces for people to live in Southwick (Houses, apartments, etc.) and more affordable housing	1	affordable	encourage	
Some less expensive options	1	affordable		
affordable apartments	1	affordable		
affordable housing options under\$ 500,000	1	affordable		
affordable single-family	1	affordable		
affordable, single-family	1	affordable		
condo and single-family homes (\$200-300K range);	1	affordable		
low and middle income single-family homes	1	affordable	single-family homes	
low income, smaller homes, not McMansions	1	affordable	smaller houses	
lower cost	1	affordable		
lower tax for elderly	1	affordable	elderly	
more affordable housing	1	affordable		
more affordable housing	1	affordable		
Over 55 affordable homes like Rosewood	1	elderly	affordable	
more affordable rents, more elderly housing	1	affordable	elderly	
seniors and young families need places to live!	1	elderly	affordable	
less mcmansions and more affordable smaller single-family homes	1	smaller houses	affordable	
stop the \$500000 plus homes	1	smaller houses	affordable	
	49			
Condos				
Condos	1	condos		
Condos, apartments, affordable single-family detached homes	1	condos	single-family homes	
Condos, townhouses, single-family homes	1	condos	single-family homes	
Duplex/condo	1	condos		
More Condominiums	1	condos		
No apartments, but condos encouraged in addition to well planned developments.	1	condos		
Town houses	1	condos		
Townhouses	1	condos		
condominiums	1	condos		
places like Lakewood village, great place quiet but stern management	1	condos		
various income levels; shared green spaces rather than single lots	1	all types balanced	condos	
apartment/condominium	1	apartments	condos	

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
apartments, condos,	1	apartments	condos	
More over 55 condo developments	1	elderly	condos	
S.F. and Condo	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family HOMES, CONDOS	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family & condo	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family homes and small condos like Rosewood and Wynfield	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family homes with or without in law apartments. Condominiums designed to fit and blend with the landscape.	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family homes, condominiums	1	single-family homes	condos	
Single-family homes, starter homes, apartments/condos, low-income housing	1	single-family homes	condos	
single-family homes, condos, duplexes	1	single-family homes	duplex	condos
	22			
Senior Housing				
Elderly housing	1	elderly		
Housing, maybe 50 units for vets, disabled, elderly	1	elderly		
Increased housing for our seniors in Southwick. Not enough apartments currently, plus all are very old.	1	elderly		
More over 55 condo developments	1	elderly	condos	
Over 55 affordable homes like Rosewood	1	elderly	affordable	
Senior	1	elderly		
Senior Housing	1	elderly		
senior communities	1	elderly		
senior communities& mixes use	1	elderly		
senior housing	1	elderly		
senior living, multi-family	1	elderly		
seniors and young families need places to live!	1	elderly	affordable	
lower tax for elderly	1	affordable	elderly	
more affordable rents, more elderly housing	1	affordable	elderly	
single-family, Elderly	1	single-family homes	elderly	

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
single-family & elderly housing	1	single-family homes	elderly	
single-family home, senior housing	1	single-family homes	elderly	
Single-family, assisted living, long-term care ranging from single-family homes to >55 communities	1	single-family homes	elderly	
	1	single-family homes	elderly	
	19			
All types balanced				
A balance	1	all types balanced		
A blend of private and multi family dwellings	1	all types balanced		
All types	1	all types balanced		
All types of residential	1	all types balanced		
Mixed	1	all types balanced		
Variety of housing, environmentally friendly	1	all types balanced		
Various types	1	all types balanced		
all types	1	all types balanced		
housing	1	all types balanced		
various income levels; shared green spaces rather than single lots	1	all types balanced	condos	
various types of housing for all income levels	1	all types balanced		
	11			
Smaller houses				
Small houses for downsizing	1	smaller houses		
Small housing development	1	smaller houses		
Small housing developments	1	smaller houses		
Smaller homes that are not condos for people who would like to downsize	1	smaller houses		
Smaller lot housing with mansionization restrictions in sewerred areas	1	smaller houses		
Smaller more efficient and affordable homes. build smaller homes/over 55 community with some amenities	1	smaller houses		
less mcmansions and more affordable smaller single-family homes	1	smaller houses	affordable	
stop building \$500+ houses	1	smaller houses		
stop the \$500000 plus homes	1	smaller houses	affordable	
low income, smaller homes, not McMansions	1	affordable	smaller houses	
	11			
Limit Housing				

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
In moderation & selective locations	1	limited		
Keep it moderate	1	limited		
Residential development should be monitored so that the town does not just become a bedroom community abandoning our small town/farming roots.	1	limited		
Residential should be encouraged without over populating Southwick and losing the rural beauty of the town.	1	limited		
We could use more, but needs to be planned better to not harm the beauty of Southwick.	1	limited		
limited development	1	limited		
Encouraged but with a smaller growth rate.	1	encourage	limited	
Require minimum of 2 acres to build new single-family homes to limit amount of homes to be built	1	larger lots	limited	
single-family housing not overdeveloping	1	single-family homes	limited	
Small developments NOT like the golf course - Southwick Country Club and Deer Run area. All the trails I used to ride my horse on are gone in the Deer Run area. Also, there is no need for more elderly housing developments.	1	single-family homes	limited	
	10			
Apartments				
Apartment	1	apartments		
Apartment Buildings/Condos	1	apartments		
Apartments	1	apartments		
Apartments	1	apartments		
apartment/condominium	1	apartments	condos	
apartments, condos,	1	apartments	condos	
single-family and apartments	1	single-family homes	apartments	
	7			
Larger lots				
Maximize keeping mature trees and planting new.				
Lots no less than 1.5 acres.	1	larger lots	keep trees	
Medium to large properties	1	larger lots		
Mostly R40	1	larger lots		

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Require minimum of 2 acres to build new single-family homes to limit amount of homes to be built	1	larger lots	limited	
single-family homes with lots of at least 1/2 to 1 acre	1	larger lots		
single-family houses spaced out	1	single-family homes	larger lots	
single-family minimum 1 acres	1	single-family homes	larger lots	
	7			
Encourage				
Encourage	1	encourage		
Encouraged but with a smaller growth rate.	1	encourage	limited	
Housing	1	encourage		
Housing	1	encourage		
More spaces for people to live in Southwick (Houses, apartments, etc.) and more affordable housing	1	affordable	encourage	
	5			
Middle Class				
Middle Class Housing	1	middle class		
Middle class housing	1	middle class		
medium income housing	1	middle class		
middle class housing	1	middle class		
more mid level homes	1	middle class		
	5			
Mixed use				
Mixed-use housing with both business and housing and with public transportation	1	mixed-use		
Mixed-use	1	mixed-use		
Mixed-use development to include shared office spaces and apartments	1	mixed-use		
Mixed-use with business	1	mixed-use		
Two family residences, mixed business/residential	1	mixed-use		
	5			
Duplexes				
two-family	1	duplexes		
nice single/duplex homes	1	single-family homes	duplex	
one and two-family homes	1	single-family homes	duplex	

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
single and multi	1	single-family homes	duplex	
single-family homes, condos, duplexes	1	single-family homes	duplex	condos
	5			
No More housing				
None. We have tapped out our need for large luxury homes.	1	no more		
Only rehab current houses or plots of land. No more large home neighborhoods	1	no more		
no	1	no more		
	3			
High end single-family				
High quality that provides above average tax revenues that is consistent with a suburb	1	high quality/end single-family		
high-end single-family homes	1	high quality/end single-family		
	2			
Multi-family				
Multi family homes	1	multi-family		
multi family	1	multi-family		
	2			
No low-income				
Discourage low income housing. I didn't move from Spfld, to have it follow me.	1	no low-income		
No section 8	1	no low-income		
	2			
Small lots				
Small lots	1	smaller lots		
Zero lot line, small lots	1	smaller lots		
	2			
Starter homes				
post college housing	1	starter homes		
start up homes for first time buyers	1	starter homes		
	2			
Subdivisions				
Housing subdivision	1	subdivisions		
More neighborhoods for families.	1	single-family homes		
	2			
Sustainable				

Residential Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Sustainable homes, multi-unit; Plan for traffic sustainably built homes planned carefully for traffic, etc. including natural gas access	1	sustainable		
	1	sustainable		
	2			
Tiny homes				
single-family & tiny homes	1	single-family homes		tiny houses
Tiny homes	1	tiny houses		
	2			
All Other with Qty of 1				
more Victorian, arts and crafts, and gothic revival type of architectural buildings	1	diverse architecture		
Encourage energy efficient housing and water conservation	1	energy efficient		
Clusters of houses or apartments with designated open space	1	FRD		
smart homes with affordable high speed internet/solar powered options and less disruption to ground water issues	1	high tech		
in law apartment additions	1	in-law apartments		
Improve lake area housing and roads	1	lake area		
low-income housing	1	low income		
multi-generational cluster cooperative	1	multi-generational cluster cooperative		
no more condominiums	1	no condos		
nursing home	1	nursing home		
protect open space	1	open space		
Responsible residential areas	1	responsible		
more farmhouse/log/post & beam type homes	1	rustic		
some	1	some		
Maximize keeping mature trees and planting new. Lots no less than 1.5 acres.	1	larger lots	keep trees	
single-homes not developments	1	single-family homes	no developments	
improved internet service and cell service in town with fiber optic and more cell towers	1	better connectivity		
common resource development	1	common resource development		
No more McMansions. Lawn size places demands on town water.	1	small		
	20			

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Summary of Responses

	Qty Encourage	% of Total			
Office					
Medical	66	34.4%			
Professional	51	20.8%			
Any	14	7.3%			
Start-up	13	6.8%			
Small	11	5.7%			
Office space	9	4.7%			
Limited	8	4.2%			
Reflect character	5	2.6%			
None	5	2.6%			
Support work from home	4	2.1%			
High-Tech	2	1.0%			
All Other quantity of 1 each	6	0.5%			
	192	100.0%			

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Actual Responses Listed Below

Office Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Medical				
Medical	8	medical		
medical	5	medical		
Medical offices	4	medical		
Professional, medical	3	medical	professional	
medical, professional	2	medical	professional	
professional and medical offices to shared office and business start-up spaces	1	medical	professional	
Doctor/emergency care	1	medical		
Encourage more medical offices	1	medical		
MD offices, other professionals	1	medical	professional	
Medical	1	medical		
Medical - primary and urgent care, dental and vision	1	medical		
Medical access	1	medical		
Medical and childcare	1	medical	childcare	
Medical and professional	1	medical	professional	
Medical offices - local artisan goods	1	medical	local	
Medical offices etc.	1	medical		
Medical offices, health and wellness	1	medical		
Medical primary care and specialty care	1	medical		
Medical professional	1	medical	professional	
Medical/start-up	1	medical	start-up	
Modern professional and medical offices as there is a lack of this type in Southwick	1	medical	professional	
No high rises, but within character of community with professional and medical offices	1	medical	professional	
Professional & medical offices	1	medical	professional	
Professional / medical	1	medical	professional	
Professional and Medical offices	1	medical	professional	
Professional and medical	1	medical	professional	
Professional and medical offices	1	medical	professional	

Office Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Professional offices that would serve the surrounding population (medical/dental, urgent care clinic, IT services)	1	medical	professional	
Professional, Medical	1	medical	professional	
Professional, start-up and medical	1	medical	professional	start-up
Professional/medical	1	medical	professional	
Some medical offices on existing built lots. The community lacks easily accessible to internists and specialists as well as mental health specialists. I'd consider giving medical specialists tax incentives to come to town to serve our community and trying to match them up with existing buildings that can be retrofitted into medical offices.	1	medical		
dental / physicians	1	medical		
doctors, dentists, orthodontist	1	medical		
medical and professional	1	medical	professional	
medical building	1	medical		
medical only	1	medical		
medical prof building	1	medical	professional	
medical start-up	1	medical	start-up	
medical, professional and affordable start-up space	1	medical	start-up	
medical/dental/ PT & OT rehab	1	medical		
medical/dental/eye	1	medical		
medical/shared offices	1	medical	professional	
primary care medical office	1	medical		
primary care practices, urgent care facilities	1	medical		
professional and medical	1	medical	professional	
professional medical dental miscellaneous healthcare	1	medical	professional	
professional medicine/medical	1	medical	professional	
small medical offices	1	medical	small	
	66			
Professional				
professional	4	professional		
Professional	3	professional		
Professional	2	professional		
professional services	2	professional		
professional, shared space	2	professional		
Insurance, law,	1	professional		
professional offices, workshare space, incubators	1	professional	start-up	
PROFESSIONAL	1	professional		
Professional Services	1	professional		

Office Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Professional office and startup business	1	professional	start-up	
Professional offices	1	professional		
Professional services	1	professional		
Professional, medical	3	medical	professional	
medical, professional	2	medical	professional	
professional and medical offices to shared office and business start-up spaces	1	medical	professional	
MD offices, other professionals	1	medical	professional	
Medical and professional	1	medical	professional	
Medical professional	1	medical	professional	
Modern professional and medical offices as there is a lack of this type in Southwick	1	medical	professional	
No high rises, but within character of community with professional and medical offices	1	medical	professional	
Professional & medical offices	1	medical	professional	
Professional / medical	1	medical	professional	
Professional and Medical offices	1	medical	professional	
Professional and medical	1	medical	professional	
Professional and medical offices	1	medical	professional	
Professional offices that would serve the surrounding population (medical/dental, urgent care clinic, IT services)	1	medical	professional	
Professional, Medical	1	medical	professional	
Professional, start-up and medical	1	medical	professional	start-up
Professional/medical	1	medical	professional	
medical and professional	1	medical	professional	
medical prof building	1	medical	professional	
medical/shared offices	1	medical	professional	
professional and medical	1	medical	professional	
professional medical dental miscellaneous healthcare	1	medical	professional	
professional medicine/medical	1	medical	professional	
Professional, start-up and medical	1	medical	professional	
medical, professional and affordable start-up space	1	medical	professional	
Professional office and startup business	1	professional		
Professional, start-up and medical	1	medical	professional	
medical, professional and affordable start-up space	1	medical	professional	
	51			
Any				
all	2	any		
All of the above	1	any		
Any	1	any		

Office Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Anything that can diversify the tax base	1	any		
Encourage	1	any		
Need the tax base	1	any		
See above	1	any		
Self-explanatory	1	any		
Services	1	any		
Services for residents. Medical, self care/wellness, legal, insurance, etc.	1	any		
Shared office and start-up	1	any		
some	1	any		
work options for towns people	1	any		
	14			
Start-up				
Business start-up spaces	1	start-up		
Business start-up spaces, spaces for the people of Southwick to use	1	start-up		
Business start-up	1	start-up		
start-ups	1	start-up		
encourage start-up funding and access for professional services - auto, home improvement, healthcare	1	start-up		
professional, shared, start-up	1	start-up		
professional/start-up	1	start-up		
start-up offices	1	start-up		
Only in spaces already deemed for these purposes. Keep the town on the smaller side with a lower tax burden.	1	use existing facilities	start-up	
Utilize existing facilities to house physicians, attorneys, consulting and other small businesses	1	use existing facilities	professional	start-up
professional and local	1		start-up	
Medical and childcare	1	medical	start-up	
Medical offices - local artisan goods	1	medical	start-up	
	13			
Small				
small	2	small		
1 - 2 story	1	small		
Business offices with less than 50 employees.	1	small		
Limited Scope and Size of Office Development	1	small		
Low-traffic contributors	1	small		

Office Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Small business	1	small		
Small local	1	small		
small business development	1	small		
small corporate	1	small		
small medical offices	1	medical		
	11			
Office space				
Office, satellite offices for human resources for larger companies.	1	office space		
Professional, shared office	1	office space		
Shared office spaces/medical offices	1	office space		
Small office buildings	1	office space		
Some sort of office complex to encourage local businesses to bring office space to Southwick to reduce need to commute	1	office space		
White collar	1	office space		
cooperative and shared office space	1	office space		
office parks	1	office space		
office space available if needed	1	office space		
	9			
Limited				
less Walley owned properties	1	limited		
In moderation & selective locations	1	limited		
Industrial park	1	limited		
Limited	1	limited		
We would need to assess this at the time. Too soon to tell.	1	limited		
determine by overall impact	1	limited		
keep to less than 10 percent of what is current	1	limited		
limited	1	limited		
	8			
Reflect Character				
Integrated into character of town, sustainable	1	reflect character		
Limit build size/square foot to fit town's character	1	reflect character		
Low rise that fit esthetically.	1	reflect character		
No high-rises; within historical character of town; medical offices	1	reflect character		

Office Detailed Reponses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
reflecting historical character	1	reflect character		
	5			
None				
no	2	none		
NONE. Office work can be done at home, remotely.	1	none		
None	1	none		
already enough	1	none		
	5			
Work from home				
Incubator, shared office and conference rooms for Work from home residents	1	support work from home		
Strong Wi-Fi and public library tech and business support for people working from home	1	support work from home		
offices need to be a place of purpose, shared work space for work from home staff that can create a sense of community, centered around social subjects like volunteering, or LGBTQ communities as an example	1	support work from home		
remote from home	1	support work from home		
	4			
High-Tech				
high-tech	1	high-Tech		
IT and software type jobs	1	high-Tech		
	2			
All Other with Qty of 1				
office/resident combos	1	mixed use (res/office)		
No opinion at all	1	no opinion		
Brings people to our town to eat, shop etc	1	restaurants/s hopping		
In existing buildings	1	use existing facilities	small	
Medium	1	medium		
promote office environment growth "downtown" they would in turn promote local spending.	1	downtown		
	6			

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Summary of Responses

	Qty Encourage	% of Total			
Industrial					
Small	18	12.00			
Light	18	12.00			
High-tech	17	11.33			
Manufacturing	16	10.67			
Clean	11	7.33			
Industrial park	8	5.33			
Limited	7	4.67			
None	6	4.00			
All	5	3.33			
Green industry	4	2.67			
Sustainable	4	2.67			
Solar farm	4	2.67			
Low impact	3	2.00			
Manufacturing education	3	2.00			
Support job growth	3	2.00			
Similar to current	3	2.00			
Encourage	2	1.33			
Mfg. that supports agriculture	2	1.33			
No large	2	1.33			
Small to medium	2	1.33			
All other with a qty of 1	12	8.00			
	150	100.00			

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Actual Responses Listed Below

Industrial Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Small				
small	2	small		
A smaller industry with a minimum of pollution.	1	small		
Not large like amazon, small business	1	small		
SMALL	1	small		
Small	1	small		
Small business - manufacturing	1	small		
Small manufacturing	1	small		
Small manufacturing operations	1	small		
Small to modest manufacturing that focuses on sustainability and high-tech	1	small	high-tech	
Small, clean businesses	1	small	clean	
Smaller Scale	1	small		
Some industrial, high-tech, consulting. Not high employee counts.	1	small	high-tech	
small business	1	small		
small manufacturing	1	small	manufacturing	
small scale industries	1	small	manufacturing	
small, light	1	small		
solar farms, small manufacturing	1	small	manufacturing	
	18			
Light				
light industrial	2	light		
light manufacturing	2	light		
Clean Light Industry	1	light		
Light	1	light		
Light Industrial	1	light		
Light industrial	1	light		
Light industrial (warehousing, processing, etc.)	1	light		
Light industrial manufacturing	1	light		
Light manufacturing	1	light		
Light manufacturing	1	light		
Machine shops and light manufacturing	1	light		
Some light industrial can be good but not over aquifer	1	light	limited	
light	1	light		
light industry	1	light		
light industry, carbon neutral, and resource conservative	1	light	sustainable	

Industrial Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
light mfg.	1	light		
	18			
high-tech				
Clean high-tech manufacturing	1	high-tech		
high-tech	1	high-tech		
high-tech and light manufacturing	1	high-tech		
high-tech/medical	1	high-tech	medical	
High-tech; solar fields	1	high-tech	solar farm	
Robotics	1	high-tech		
Technology, machining, printing,	1	high-tech	manufacturing	
cutting edge high-tech	1	high-tech		
high-tech and green industries	1	high-tech	green industry	
machine shops/ hi-tech	1	high-tech		
robotics	1	high-tech		
robotics, manufacture, high-tech	1	high-tech	manufacturing	
technology	1	high-tech		
tending toward a Silicon Valley	1	high-tech		
Small to modest manufacturing that focuses on sustainability and high-tech	1	small	high-tech	
Some industrial, high-tech, consulting. Not high employee counts.	1	small	high-tech	
Jobs for highly educated young people	1	support job growth	high-tech	
	17			
manufacturing				
manufacturing	4	manufacturing		
manufacturing	3	manufacturing		
manufacturing	1	manufacturing		
mfg.	1	manufacturing		
manufacturing for USA	1	manufacturing		
mech. Eng., tool & die	1	similar to current	manufacturing	
Technology, machining, printing,	1	high-tech	manufacturing	
robotics, manufacture, high-tech	1	high-tech	manufacturing	
small manufacturing	1	small	manufacturing	
small scale industries	1	small	manufacturing	
solar farms, small manufacturing	1	small	manufacturing	
	16			
Clean				
Eco-friendly. Not too big so town doesn't suffer when they leave.	1	clean		
Green	1	clean		
Non-polluting	1	clean		
Without harming environment	1	clean		
clean industrial business that doesn't put a load on the town resources	1	clean		
encourage clean industries	1	clean		

Industrial Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
non-hazardous	1	clean		
non-polluting	1	clean		
Limited and clean	1	limited	clean	
Limited clean businesses	1	limited	clean	
Small, clean businesses	1	small	clean	
	11			
Industrial Park				
Complete Industrial Park	1	industrial park		
Expand industrial park	1	industrial park		
If it's going to be in the industrial park sure why not	1	industrial park		
In the industrial park	1	industrial park		
Keep in industrial areas	1	industrial park		
Only in zoned areas—NO re-zoning	1	industrial park		
Separate area, similar to Agawam or East Longmeadow, robotics	1	industrial park		
In moderation & selective locations	1	moderation	industrial park	
	8			
limited				
Limited Scope and Size of Industrial Development	1	limited		
Limited and clean	1	limited	clean	
Limited clean businesses	1	limited	clean	
Open areas a balance	1	limited		
determine by overall impact, same as above	1	limited		
type that would not impact traffic, noise or infrastructure	1	limited		
Some light industrial can be good but not over aquifer	1	light	limited	
	7			
None				
no	2	none		
None	1	none		
None. Southwick should be quiet	1	none		
no thanks, keep it by the highway.	1	none		
none	1	none		
	6			
All				
All	1	all		
Any	1	all		
Anything that can diversify the tax base	1	all		
Businesses to offer jobs and tax revenue	1	all		
Industrial development should be explored within the boundaries of the master plan	1	all		
	5			
Green industry				
If industrial is the future- look to green energies. Electric vehicle components, geothermal systems, solar array install, warehousing/distribution, etc.	1	green industry		

Industrial Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Solar farms, wind farms	1	green industry		
Solar farms, wind farms, geothermal.	1	green industry		
improve infrastructure for utilities	1	improve infrastructure	green industry	
	4			
Sustainable				
Integrated into character of town, stainable	1	sustainable		
Sustainable energy	1	sustainable		
encourage sustainable	1	sustainable		
	3			
Solar farm				
If industrial is the future- look to green energies. Electric vehicle components, geothermal systems, solar array install, warehousing/distribution, etc.	1	green industry	solar farm	
Solar farms, wind farms	1	green industry	solar farm	
Solar farms, wind farms, geothermal.	1	green industry	solar farm	
solar farms, small manufacturing	1	small	manufacturing	solar farm
	4			
Low impact				
Low	1	low impact		
Low impact tax dollars are needed for tax base stability	1	low impact		
Low water and sewer use	1	low impact		
	3			
manufacturing education				
Continue to support industrial park near STGRSD, bring back machining jobs	1	manufacturing education		
new technology training center	1	manufacturing education		
smaller, skilled work where staff can grow skill sets and be supported by local education systems	1	manufacturing education	independent/local	
	3			
Support job growth				
Jobs for highly educated young people	1	support job growth	industrial park	
More companies to be established to draw those seeking employment to here	1	support job growth		
just get more jobs in town	1	support job growth		
	3			
Similar to current				
mech. Eng., tool & die	1	similar to current	manufacturing	
presentation reflective of historical character	1	similar to current		
like B & E, WCA, etc.	1	similar to current		
	3			
Encourage				

Industrial Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Encourage	1	encourage		
more local business!	1	encourage		
	2			
mfg. that supports Agriculture				
Industry ONLY that supports the agriculture or small scale business	1	mfg. that supports agriculture		
use our strength in agriculture to build a strong agricultural research presence and cultivation community	1	mfg. that supports agriculture		
	2			
No large				
NO LARGE INDUSTRY	1	no large		
No large	1	no large		
	2			
Small to medium				
small to medium size	1	small to medium		
small to medium to support tax base	1	small to medium		
	2			
All Other with Qty of 1				
"dry"goods & services	1	"dry"goods & services		
Aerospace like Kaman	1	aerospace		
Bookbinding	1	bookbinding		
Clean industry	1	clean		
improve infrastructure for utilities	1	improve infrastructure		
local service	1	local	solar farm	
mid-size where applicable	1	mid-size		
minimal	1	minimal		
In moderation & selective locations	1	moderation		
Build a power plant fueled by natural gas	1	power plant		
Need the tax base	1	support tax base		
light industry, carbon neutral, and resource conservative	1	light		
	12			

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Summary of responses

Other Category	Qty Encourage	% of Total
	Count	%
Recreational	20	14.49
Green space	17	12.32
Athletic facilities	8	5.80
Develop parks	6	4.35
Town center	5	3.62
Biking paths	4	2.90
Diverse restaurants	4	2.90
Healthcare center	4	2.90
Hiking	4	2.90
Lake management	3	2.17
Sustainable	3	2.17
Cannabis	2	1.45
Education	2	1.45
Farming	2	1.45
High-speed internet	2	1.45
Improve roads	2	1.45
Improve water supply	2	1.45
Independent	2	1.45
More parking	2	1.45
More town events/programs	2	1.45
Outdoor theater	2	1.45
Public transportation	3	2.17
Solar farms	2	1.45
All other with qty of 1	35	25.36
	138	100.00

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Actual Responses Listed Below				
Other Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Recreational				
Recreational	4	recreational		
Recreational	3	recreational		
recreational	2	recreational		
Family activities places; roller skating, ice skating, movies, mini golf, etc.	1	recreational		
Go back to being a TRUE recreational town	1	recreational		
Recreation and green natural spaces, hunting prohibited	1	recreational	green space	
Recreational activities, outdoor activities for children of all ages and families	1	recreational		
Recreational and open green spaces to include additional parks and sporting facilities.	1	recreational	athletic facilities	
Recreational spray park	1	recreational	develop parks	
Recreational: drive in theaters, teen center, skate park, splash pad, etc.	1	recreational	develop parks	
land preservation with recreational access	1	recreational	green space	
recreational activities	1	recreational		
recreational parks	1	recreational		
Open space, recreational areas	1	green space	recreational	
	20			
green space				
Forestland preserve	1	green space		
green space	1	green space		
green space like dog parks	1	green space	dog park	
More parks, playgrounds, outdoor fairs	1	green space		
Nature preservation. Eco tourism	1	green space		
Open and Protected spaces	1	green space		
Open space, recreational areas	1	green space	recreational	
			athletic facilities	
Open space; athletic programs for all - target youth	1	green space		
Preservation	1	green space		
Public land	1	green space		
Public spaces & Parks	1	green space	develop parks	
Wildlife Management Areas	1	green space		
more trees, less grass	1	green space		
protected land	1	green space		

Other Detailed Reponses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
zone for higher density residential to preserve open/agricultural land	1	green space		
Recreation and green natural spaces, hunting prohibited	1	recreational	green space	
land preservation with recreational access	1	recreational	green space	
	17			
Athletic facilities				
Athletic complex with ice rink for skating/hockey, Olympic sized pool, multipurpose gym for gymnastics/court sports	1	athletic facilities		
Sports facilities to encourage teams to come in and bring \$. Develop hockey rink, sport fields that can be used all year long (indoor); entertainment - movie and theater arts , concert venues	1	athletic facilities		
Tennis courts, pickle ball courts, swimming pool, hockey rink	1	athletic facilities		
ice rink at Whalley Park	1	athletic facilities		
indoor sports complex for the public, roller skating, skate parks etc. Long winters create unhealthy families	1	athletic facilities		
Sports and Entertainment	1	entertainment	athletic facilities	
Recreational and open green spaces to include additional parks and sporting facilities.	1	recreational	athletic facilities	
Open space; athletic programs for all - target youth	1	green space	athletic facilities	
	8			
Parks				
Developing our parks to encourage visitation; maintaining and preserving the nature of our town	1	develop parks		
Environmentally conscious land, parks, outdoor rec spaces	1	develop parks	sustainable	
Increase robustness of parks and rec dept with more children's activities	1	develop parks		
Parks	1	develop parks		
Recreational spray park	1	recreational	develop parks	
Recreational: drive in theaters, teen center, skate park, splash pad, etc.	1	recreational	develop parks	
	6			
Town Center				
Create a town center; encourage pedestrian traffic	1	town center		
Develop college highway to fit community character	1	town center		
Explore options for creating a centralized town center with outdoor seating, water fountain, garden, etc.	1	town center		
plan to develop "downtown" college highway to fit town character (farmland)	1	town center		
some sort of central location a green maybe for community activities	1	town center		
	5			
Biking				
Bilking and walking safe paths	1	biking paths	walking paths	

Other Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Bus route to Westfield and Agawam/sidewalks on major roads/ and actual bike lanes not just a breakdown lane	1	biking paths	walking paths	public transportation
Non-motorized recreation ; neighborhood parks within walking distance ON SIDEWALKS from housing; hiking trails, bicycle friendly downtown	1	biking paths	walking paths	
hiking, biking trails	1	biking paths	walking paths	
	4			
Diverse restaurants				
Businesses that would attract people after leaving work or any time of the day. Coffee shops, restaurants, bed and breakfast, smaller retail stores, planned and laid out in a way to be discreet.	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	
Restaurants	1	diverse restaurants		
More mom and pop restaurants/artisans/more variety	1	independent	diverse restaurants	
retail stores and restaurants	1	retail	diverse restaurants	
	4			
Healthcare center				
Healthcare center(s) for various needs (urgent care, specialists, primary care, physical therapy, senior services)	1	healthcare center		
Medical/Healthcare	1	healthcare center		
medical and healthcare	1	healthcare center		
urgent care	1	healthcare center		
	4			
Hiking				
Bus route to Westfield and Agawam/sidewalks on major roads/ and actual bike lanes not just a breakdown lane	1	biking paths	walking paths	public transportation
Biking and walking safe paths	1	biking paths	walking paths	
Non-motorized recreation ; neighborhood parks within walking distance ON SIDEWALKS from housing; hiking trails, bicycle friendly downtown	1	biking paths	walking paths	
hiking, biking trails	1	biking paths	walking paths	
	4			
Lake Management				
Caring for the lake, increased activities for seniors,	1	LMC	elderly activities	

Other Detailed Reponses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Liquor licensing, Lake issues--town government needs to be more transparent, as does enforcement of existing laws. e.g. motorized rec. vehicles on bike path, now golf carts and 12 yr. old kids on Patriots Way. These laws were more carefully enforced in the sixties, before there were full time town police. Too expensive to enforce. Say so out loud. Transparency is healthy. Equitable decisions re town parking land (free to a local bar, rent charged to motocross. There might be good reasons. That's where transparency comes in. Planning board rules need to be followed after approval. again, enforcement is not sexy enough for selectman to enforce in certain instances. Maybe even rethink town government structure.	1	LMC	zoning enforcement	
Take care of our lakes	1	LMC		
	3			
Sustainable				
we need to invest in projects that will sustain Southwick, to make sure that we don't get things that get abandoned in 4-10 years and become a forever eyesore. we don't need to become another Holyoke abandonment.	1	sustainable		
co-op for organic foods and sustainable living	1	co-ops	sustainable	
Environmentally conscious land, parks, outdoor rec spaces	1	develop parks	sustainable	
	3			
Cannabis				
Agritourism, bed and breakfast, winter sport land use/facilities, cannabis growing and retail facilities, dissolution of cannabis overlay district and allowing it in BR, IR, and AC zones; Industrial should be RESTRICTIVE to any that employ hazardous materials and experimental nuclear or virology operations.	1	cannabis	agritourism	
cannabis retail	1	cannabis		
	2			
Education				
More funding for school district to allow for education in future technologies	1	education		
Youth programs, education quality and for those on IEP has declined performance from pandemic, and summer care programs and public pool	1	education		
	2			
Farming				
local Natural farming of plants and animals	1	farming		
combining agriculture with solar	1	solar farms	farming	
	2			
High-speed internet				
Improve internet services	1	high-speed internet		

Other Detailed Reponses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
public high-quality high-speed internet - everyone should have good quality internet	1	high-speed internet		
	2			
Improve roads				
Improvement to road surfaces - too many roads/streets are only patched and remain rough/holes	1	improve roads		
Road and public transportation development	1	public transportation	improve roads	
	2			
Improve water supply				
available CLEAN water	1	improve water supply		
find ways to eliminate the water restrictions every year	1	improve water supply		
	2			
Independent				
More mom-and-pop restaurants/artisans/more variety	1	independent	diverse restaurants	
No megastores or businesses.	1	independent		
	2			
More parking				
Additional Park Spaces	1	more parking		
parking and access for the Rail Trail (other than Sam West Road)	1	more parking		
	2			
More Town events				
More family friendly events - fairs, carnivals, 5k's, live music, parades, holiday events (trunk or treat, fall festival, Christmas parade, NYE first night), Farmer's Markets, etc.	1	more town events/programs		
programs for residents to participate in: art, athletics, etc.	1	more town events/programs		
	2			
Outdoor theater				
Outdoor Amphitheater	1	outdoor theater		
outdoor entertainment venue	1	outdoor theater		
	2			
Public transportation				
PVTA	1	public transportation		
Road and public transportation development	1	public transportation	improve roads	
	2			
Solar farms				
Fast food, solar on ground	1	solar farms	fast food	
combining agriculture with solar	1	solar farms	farming	
	2			

Other Detailed Reponses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
entertainment				
Sports and Entertainment	1	entertainment	athletic facilities	
entertainment	1	entertainment		
	2			
All Other with Qty of 1				
We need more housing that is not 700k	1	affordable housing		
Breweries and wineries would bring business to Southwick in a rural yet modern setting	1	breweries	wineries	
Businesses that pay high salaries and high taxes.	1	businesses that pay high salaries and high taxes.		
Encourage energy efficient housing and water conservation	1	energy efficient		
electric vehicle charging at many areas where people would spend time at - Gristmill plaza, Summer House parking lot, BigY/Ocean State plaza, Village plaza, and Congamond boat ramps.	1	EV charging		
		high demand businesses		
Northampton & Simsbury like low profile high demand businesses	1	homesteading		
Homesteading/backyard agriculture	1	horses		
Horse Park	1	hospital		
hospital	1			
Indoor activities for the winter months or year-round for families to enjoy. Indoor skating, mini golf, even a small movie theater would be nice for the community.	1	indoor recreation		
mixed use	1	mixed-use		
Residential natural gas accessible	1	natural gas		
No cannabis	1	no cannabis		
no strip malls	1	no strip malls		
Nursing homes	1	nursing homes		
Use of our water resources ,which we basically give away to Westfield, West Springfield wells. Protect and utilize our water sources as in wells, aquafer etc. . develop those not housing industry etc. those t	1	preserve water resources		
			diverse restaurants	
retail stores and restaurants	1	retail		
Work from home	1	support WFH		
Businesses that would attract people after leaving work or any time of the day. Coffee shops, restaurants, bed and breakfast, smaller retail stores, planned and laid out in a way to be discreet.	1	diverse restaurants	entertainment	
small tech factories that take over empty building we already have. like industrial park we have	1	use existing buildings		
			historical preservation	
4H Hands-on farming learning centers & historical preservation	1	4H		

Other Detailed Responses	Qty Encourage	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
4H Hands-on farming learning centers & historical preservation	1	4H	historical preservation	
Bus route to Westfield and Agawam/side-walks on major roads/ and actual bike lanes not just a breakdown lane	1	biking paths	walking paths	public transportation
Breweries and wineries would bring business to Southwick in a rural yet modern setting	1	breweries	wineries	
Agritourism, bed and breakfast, winter sport land use/facilities, cannabis growing and retail facilities, dissolution of cannabis overlay district and allowing it in BR, IR, and AC zones; Industrial should be RESTRICTIVE to any that employ hazardous materials and experimental nuclear or virology operations.	1	cannabis	agritourism	
clean energy	1	clean energy		
Communal	1	communal		
co-op for organic foods and sustainable living	1	co-ops	sustainable	
green space like dog parks	1	green space	dog park	
Public spaces & Parks	1	green space	develop parks	
Caring for the lake, increased activities for seniors,	1	LMC	elderly activities	
	1	industrial park	outdoor recreation	
	1	industrial park	outdoor recreation	
Liquor licensing, Lake issues--town government needs to be more transparent, as does enforcement of existing laws. e.g. motorized rec. vehicles on bike path, now golf carts and 12 yr. old kids on Patriots Way. These laws were more carefully enforced in the sixties, before there were full time town police. Too expensive to enforce. Say so out loud. Transparency is healthy. Equitable decisions re town parking land (free to a local bar, rent charged to motocross. There might be good reasons. That's where transparency comes in. Planning board rules need to be followed after approval. again, enforcement is not sexy enough for selectman to enforce in certain instances. Maybe even rethink town government structure.	1	LMC	zoning enforcement	
Fast food, solar on ground	1	solar farms	fast food	
	35			

11. Over the next 20 years, which type of development should be encouraged? Please check all that apply and fill in with the types of development you would prefer in Southwick that supports future trends.

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12. Do you oppose or support these land use strategies to address future growth over the next 20 years? Please check the answer you agree with.

Actual summarized Responses Below

Summary 1 (Non Write-in Responses)

% Oppose, % Support, and % No opinion

Category	Support		Oppose		No Opinion		Responses Count
	Count	Row %	Count	Row %	Count	Row %	
Update boundaries of existing zoning districts that currently designate residential, business, and industrial uses for development	515	58.4%	176	20.0%	191	21.7%	882
Identify areas appropriate for mixed-use development, where housing and business development could be found on the same structure or land parcel	488	55.1%	269	30.4%	128	14.5%	885
Expand land zoned for business use and for light industrial use	300	33.8%	466	52.5%	121	13.6%	887
Adopt additional zoning for higher density residential development	193	21.9%	579	65.7%	109	12.4%	881
Balance development to the town's water supply	758	85.8%	39	4.4%	86	9.7%	883
Adopt additional zoning to protect agricultural lands	773	87.0%	55	6.2%	60	6.8%	888
Educate landowners about options for permanently protecting their own land	777	87.0%	32	3.6%	84	9.4%	893
Acquire public lands for recreation	675	76.1%	118	13.3%	94	10.6%	887
Acquire public lands for wildlife preservation	726	81.7%	94	10.6%	69	7.8%	889
Acquire open space for passive and active recreation	681	76.8%	113	12.7%	93	10.5%	887
Acquire open space to create and restore wildlife habitats	695	78.6%	99	11.2%	90	10.2%	884

The % in summary 1 is the category response compared to the total # of responses for that category. As an example for the first category, it is $515/882 \times 100$

Summary 2 (Non Write-in Responses)	<div> <div>% against each category</div> <div> <div>Support</div> <div>Oppose</div> <div>No Opinion</div> <div>Responses</div> </div> </div>						
	Count	Row %	Count	Row %	Count	Row %	Count
Update boundaries of existing zoning districts that currently designate residential, business, and industrial uses for development	515	7.8	176	8.6	191	17.0	882
Identify areas appropriate for mixed-use development, where housing and business development could be found on the same structure or land parcel	488	7.4	269	13.2	128	11.4	885
Expand land zoned for business use and for light industrial use	300	4.6	466	22.8	121	10.8	887
Adopt additional zoning for higher density residential development	193	2.9	579	28.4	109	9.7	881
Balance development to the town's water supply	758	11.5	39	1.9	86	7.6	883
Adopt additional zoning to protect agricultural lands	773	11.7	55	2.7	60	5.3	888
Educate landowners about options for permanently protecting their own land	777	11.8	32	1.6	84	7.5	893
Acquire public lands for recreation	675	10.3	118	5.8	94	8.4	887
Acquire public lands for wildlife preservation	726	11.0	94	4.6	69	6.1	889
Acquire open space for passive and active recreation	681	10.3	113	5.5	93	8.3	887
Acquire open space to create and restore wildlife habitats	695	10.6	99	4.9	90	8.0	884
	6581	100.0	2040	100.0	1125	100.0	9746
The % in summary 2 is the category response compared to the total # of responses for all categories. As an example for the first category it is $515/6581 \times 100$							

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12. Do you oppose or support these land use strategies to address future growth over the next 20 years? Please check the answer you agree with.

Summary of Write in Responses

Summary 3 (Write-in responses)

	Support Count	Oppose Count	No Opinion Count	Responses Count
Open space	15	2		17
Farming	13			13
Business	12	7	1	20
Zoning	9	1		10
Housing	9	1		60
Recreation	8			8
Biking	6			8
Wildlife	6	1		7
Hunting/Fishing	6			6
Cannabis	4			4
Congamond	4	1		5
Motocross	4			4
Water issues	4			4
Off road	4			4
Alternative energy	3			3
Education	3			3
Hiking	3			3
Other	3	1	1	5
Infrastructure	3			3
Taxes	3			3
Trees	3	1		4
Historical	2			2
Controlled growth	2	1		3
Downtown	2			2
Horse trails	2			2
Traffic	1		1	1
Charging stations	1			1
	135	16	3	205

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12. Do you oppose or support these land use strategies to address future growth over the next 20 years? Please check the answer you agree with.

Actual Responses Below

Open Space	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
					Count	Count	Count	Count
any new spaces should be free to residents and extremely expensive for non-residents to keep out the polluters, trouble makers, and general undesirable situations.	open spaces				1	0	0	1
Public lands for programs for kids and teens to learn about different things regarding wildlife and farming	open space	education no public hsg	farming	wildlife	1	0	0	1
Preserve land. Less public housing	open space				1	0	0	1
Leave the land alone	open space				1	0	0	1
Make residents aware of current public open space and make this area usable.	open space				1	0	0	1
Need to acquire open space strategically using CPC funding	open space				1	0	0	1
Open spaces with hunting prohibited	open space				1	0	0	1
PROTECT SOUTHWICK'S LAND	open space				0	1	0	1
Southwick is a recreational community- I support preserving land so that it can be used by all the residents to bike, walk, swim, hike, horseback ride, canoe, fish, paddleboard etc. We are so blessed to have the lakes and the North Pond Preservation area.	open space	recreation	Congamond		1	0	0	1
Land acquisition within reason, without stifling our ability to grow our business base.	opens space	business			1	0	0	1
Protect at least 75% of undeveloped land to preserve the original character of the town as well as protecting the environment and wildlife.	opens space	wildlife	environment		1	0	0	1
Allow only Southwick residents to use Southwick "open spaces"	non-residents				1	0	0	1
Community/Town garden areas for public use	gardens				1	0	0	1
Create a public dog park including multiple fenced in areas with a water source/faucet	dog park				1	0	0	1

Open Space	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
					Count	Count	Count	Count
Adopt zoning for higher density ONLY IF it allows for affordable housing; create a community land trust and encourage landowners to put their land in trust through incentives and by working with existing land trust agencies. Designate motorized and non-motorized	affordable housing	open space	off road		1	0	0	1
Save Southwick; Keep Southwick Green	save trees	open space			1	0	0	1
Wildlife Management areas	wildlife	open spaces			0	1	0	1
					15	2	0	17

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Actual Responses Below

Farming	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Support Count	Oppose Count	No Opinion Count	Responses Count
Support the right to farm. And support garage industry.	farming	business			1	0	0	1
Continue to develop residential, recreational, clean environmental farming, and adequate, safe wildlife areas	farming	wildlife			1	0	0	1
Keep farmland as farmland or wildlife preservations	farming	wildlife			1	0	0	1
Enhance opportunity for small sustainable farming practices	farming				1	0	0	1
Farming	farming				1	0	0	1
Keep farmlands for farming	Farming				1	0	0	1
Maintain agricultural use	farming				1	0	0	1
More Farming	farming				1	0	0	1
More cows	farming				1	0	0	1
Preserve farmland for farmland use only	farming				1	0	0	1
Protect & Promote Agriculture Growth encourage well water use for agriculture	farming				1	0	0	1
	wells for farming				1	0	0	1
Public lands for programs for kids and teens to learn about different things regarding wildlife and farming	open space	education	farming	wildlife	1			1
					13	0	0	13

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Actual Responses Below

Business	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
				Count	Count	Count	Count
Don't need large businesses that infringe on traffic,	business	traffic		0	0	1	1
large developers	business	control growth		0	1	0	1
Business Development	business			0	1	0	1
Heavy industrial	business			0	1	0	1
Industrial	business			0	1	0	1
Industrial use	business			0	1	0	1
Limit Development around the lakes.	business			1	0	0	1
Major industrial building	business			0	1	0	1
More industrial property for small businesses in town	business			1	0	0	1
Support growth in the current industrial park if space is available.	business			1	0	0	1
We need to find business that are community friendly and not competing with local business	business			1	0	0	1
dubious non-sustainable businesses like Carvana	business			0	1	0	1
having Chick-fil-A23A	business			1	0	0	1
Stop all building of businesses	no business growth			1	0	0	1
Promote the town as a place for young professionals to live. Good location between Hartford and Springfield.							
Affordable condos or townhomes	business	condos	townhouses	1	0	0	1
Create a shopping area like Evergreen walk or another destination style retail space	shopping			1	0	0	1

Business	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
				Count	Count	Count	Count
Campgrounds	campgrounds			1	0	0	1
Support the right to farm. And support garage industry.	farming	business		1	0	0	1
Land acquisition within reason, without stifling our ability to grow our business base.	opens space	business		1	0	0	1
Create area only for wildlife management and keep protected from buildings	wildlife	no building		1	0	0	1
				12	7	1	20

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Actual Responses Below

Zoning					Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Count	Count	Count	Count
See previous conversation moment ② n RESTRICTIVE uses in I and IR zones for hazardous materials, nuclear and virology research/manufacturing facilities. Expand cannabis to AC zones. Create identifiable character of downtown area and find grants from	zoning	cannabis	downtown		1	0	0	1
Growth is too complicated for multiple choice. zoning expansion for example might have its place. You get a committee to do that, and five years later, town offices are reluctant to enforce zoning violations, including boundary problems. Some time ago, bui	zoning				0	1	0	1
Loosening zoning requirements, look up the flaws with Euclidian zoning: zoning as we have it in Southwick is vomit worthy	zoning				1	0	0	1
Require min of 2 acres to build new homes	zoning				1	0	0	1
Rezone Tannery and College highway parcel to residential	zoning				1	0	0	1
Square footage regulations	zoning				1	0	0	1
Actively prevent state/federal access of sites/lands for use as incarceration centers (prison/jail)					1	0	0	1
Redline wireless overlay districts to exclude residential areas	wireless				1	0	0	1
Adopt zoning for higher density ONLY IF it allows for affordable housing; create a community land trust and encourage landowners to put their land in trust through incentives and by working with existing land trust agencies. Designate motorized and non-motorized	affordable housing	open space	off road	zoning	1	0	0	1
expand cannabis zoning	cannabis	zoning			1	0	0	1
					9	1	0	10

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12. Do you oppose or support these land use strategies to address future growth over the next 20 years? Please check the answer you agree with.

Actual Responses Below

Housing				Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
	category 1	category 2	category 3	Count	Count	Count	Count
Protect our large trees in town! Limit residential owners and businesses from cutting down healthy, old trees!	limit hsg	save trees		1	0	0	1
Only encourage light industrial use only to allow mixed use; encourage higher density housing only if it increases lower income housing; support youth recreation through town budgeting process rather than depending on the Rec Center to provide all programming.	low income housing	mixed use hsg	recreation	1	0	0	1
Stop housing development in Southwick	no hsg			1	0	0	1
Slow development	restrict hsg			1	0	0	1
Adopt zoning for higher density ONLY IF it allows for affordable housing; create a community land trust and encourage landowners to put their land in trust through incentives and by working with existing land trust agencies. Designate motorized and non-motorized.	affordable housing	land trusts		1	0	0	1
Only encourage light industrial use only to allow mixed use; encourage higher density housing only if it increases lower income housing; support youth recreation through town budgeting process rather than depending on the Rec Center to provide all programming.	low income housing	mixed use hsg	recreation	1	0	0	1
Preserve land. Less public housing	open space	no public hsg		0	1	0	1
Create area only for wildlife management and keep protected from buildings	wildlife	no building		1	0	0	1

Housing				Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
	category 1	category 2	category 3	Count	Count	Count	Count
Promote the town as a place for young professionals to live. Good location between Hartford and Springfield. Affordable condos or townhomes	business	condos	townhouses	1	0	0	1
Promote the town as a place for young professionals to live. Good location between Hartford and Springfield. Affordable condos or townhomes	business	condos	townhouses	1	0	0	1
				9	1	0	10

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Actual Responses Below

Recreation	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
				Count	Count	Count	Count
Public park space	parks			1	0	0	1
Keep Southwick as a Recreational Community	recreation			1	0	0	1
More recreational land	recreation			1	0	0	1
OPEN REC AREAS FOR TOWN RESIDENCES /NO CHARGE	recreation			1	0	0	1
More fitness- access to beach	beach	fitness		1	0	0	1
Only encourage light industrial use only to allow mixed-use; encourage higher density housing only if it increases lower income housing; support youth recreation through town budgeting process rather than depending on the Rec Center to provide all programming	low-income housing	mixed-use hsg	recreation	1	0	0	1
Southwick is a recreational community- I support preserving land so that it can be used by all the residents to bike, walk, swim, hike, horseback ride, canoe, fish, paddleboard etc. We are so blessed to have the lakes and the North Pond Preservation area.	open space	recreation	Congamond	1	0	0	1
Develop a youth center for sports and entertainment and activities	youth entertainment			1	0	0	1
				8	0	0	8

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Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Biking	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
Develop more bike paths and horse trails	bike paths	horse trails	1	0	0	1
Horse and bike trails	bike trails	horse trails	1	0	0	1
Focus on making town more pedestrian/bike friendly	biking	hiking	1	0	0	1
Bike/recreational paths	biking		1	0	0	1
Mountain biking	mountain biking		1	0	0	1
Increase safe biking and walking areas/ to & from schools, stores, library	hiking	biking	1	0	0	1
			6	0	0	6

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12. Do you oppose or support these land use strategies to address future growth over the next 20 years? Please check the answer you agree with.

Actual Responses Below

					Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Wildlife	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Count	Count	Count	Count
Create area only for wildlife management and keep protected from buildings	wildlife	no building			1	0	0	1
Wildlife Management areas	wildlife	open spaces			0	1	0	1
Acquire public lands for wildlife conservation not just preservation	wildlife				1	0	0	1
Promoting animal and wildlife sanctuaries	wildlife				1	0	0	1
Continue to develop residential, recreational, clean environmental farming, and adequate, safe wildlife areas	farming	wildlife			1	0	0	1
Keep farmland as farmland or wildlife preservations	farming	wildlife			1	0	0	1
Public lands for programs for kids and teens to learn about different things regarding wildlife and farming	open space	education	farming	wildlife	1			1
					6	1	0	7

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12. Do you oppose or support these land use strategies to address future growth over the next 20 years? Please check the answer you agree with.


Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Hunting/Fishing	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
I support preserving land	hunting	fishing	1	0	0	1
If hunting and fishing allowed	hunting	fishing	1	0	0	1
Preserve space for hunting and fishing opportunities	hunting	fishing	1	0	0	1
I support preserving land	hunting	fishing	1	0	0	1
If hunting and fishing allowed	hunting	fishing	1	0	0	1
Preserve space for hunting and fishing opportunities	hunting	fishing	1	0	0	1
			6	0	0	6

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Actual Responses Below

				Support	Oppose	No	Responses
	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Count	Count	Opinion	Count
Cannabis							
Recreational/ medical dispensary	cannabis			1	0	0	1
expand cannabis zoning	cannabis	zoning		1	0	0	1
Cannabis	cannabis			1	0	0	1
See previous conversation moment  n RESTRICTIVE uses in I and IR zones for hazardous materials, nuclear and virology research/manufacturing facilities. Expand cannabis to AC zones. Create identifiable character of downtown area and find grants from							
	zoning	cannabis	downtown	1	0	0	1
				4	0	0	4

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Actual Responses Below

				Support	Oppose	No	Responses
				Count	Count	Opinion	Count
Congamond	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3			Count	Count
Limit number of boats on Congamond - one for each lakefront home, not counting kayaks, other non-motorized crafts	Congamond			1	0	0	1
More public options for lake access	Congamond			1	0	0	1
regulate the lake overuse	Congamond			0	1	0	1
More fitness- access to beach	beach	fitness		1	0	0	1
Southwick is a recreational community- I support preserving land so that it can be used by all the residents to bike, walk, swim, hike, horseback ride, canoe, fish, paddleboard etc. We are so blessed to have the lakes and the North Pond Preservation area.	open space	recreation	Congamond	1	0	0	1
				4	1	0	5

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Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Motocross	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
LIMIT SCHEDULE FOR MOTOCROSS	motocross		1	0	0	1
MORE LIMITED SCHEDULE FOR MOTOCROSS	motocross		1	0	0	1
Preserve MX-338	motocross		1	0	0	1
keep The Wick 338 mx	motocross		1	0	0	1
			4	0	0	4

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Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
Water issues						
Upgrade water system dined don't have bans after 2 weeks of dry weather.	water bans		1	0	0	1
Improve Water Quality	water issues		1	0	0	1
Improve water supply & expense	water issues		1	0	0	1
Have a clear, written, researched water-preservation plan	water plan		1	0	0	1
			4	0	0	4

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Actual Responses Below

				Support	Oppose	No	Responses
				Count	Count	Opinion	Count
Off road	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3			Count	
Adding a network of "pay to access" OHRV trails could be an interesting revenue stream	off road			1	0	0	1
Maybe have some public land families can take their kids out on dirt bikes and other ohv	off road			0	0	0	0
Motorized vehicles	off road			1	0	0	1
Support recreational vehicles	off road			1	0	0	1
Adopt zoning for higher density ONLY IF it allows for affordable housing; create a community land trust and encourage landowners to put their land in trust through incentives and by working with existing land trust agencies. Designate motorized and non-motorized	affordable housing	open space	off road	1	0	0	1
				4	0	0	4

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Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Alternative energy	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
Solar	solar	alternative energy	1	0	0	1
Solar and Wind Power	solar	alternative energy	1	0	0	1
Solar farms where appropriate	solar		1	0	0	1
			3	0	0	3

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Actual Responses Below

					Support	Oppose	No	Responses
					Count	Count	Opinion	Count
Education	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4				
Grow our educational programs	education				1	0	0	1
Educate land owners on managing for increased storms, hotter summers, warmer winters, great frequency of draught conditions	climate change education				1	0	0	1
and teens to learn about different things regarding wildlife and farming	open space	education	farming	wildlife	1			1
					3	0	0	3

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Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Hiking	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
Increase safe biking and walking areas/ to & from schools, stores, library	hiking	biking	1	0	0	1
Development of hiking trails.	hiking		1	0	0	1
Focus on making town more pedestrian/bike friendly	biking	hiking	1	0	0	1
			3	0	0	3

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			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Other	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
I don't understand the question	other		0	0	1	1
Conquer more of ct.	other		0	1	0	1
MAINTAIN A SMALL TOWN, ANTI CITY FOOTPRINT	small town charm	limit development	1	0	0	1
Reduce/sell acquired land to reduce tax burden	sell public lands	taxes	1	0	0	1
Fiber optics internet	fiber		1	0	0	1
			3	1	1	5

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Actual Responses Below

		Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Infrastructure	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Any further land use takes in consideration the town's existing infrastructure and capabilities.	infrastructure	1	0	0	1
add sewer on lake streets - get rid of septic	infrastructure	1	0	0	1
please pave our existing roads, Point Grove Road is terrible, feel like it has been forgotten	roads	1	0	0	1
		3	0	0	3

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Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
Taxes						
Allow residents to vote on protecting properties through raising taxes.	taxes		1	0	0	1
Increase the property taxes of business & industry	taxes		1	0	0	1
Reduce/sell acquired land to reduce tax burden	sell public lands	taxes	1	0	0	1
			3	0	0	3

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12. Do you oppose or support these land use strategies to address future growth over the next 20 years? Please check the answer you agree with.

Actual Responses Below

				Support Count	Oppose Count	No Opinion Count	Responses Count
Save trees	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3				
Save Southwick; Keep Southwick Green	save trees	open space		1	0	0	1
The destruction of the forest and former eco system off North Longyard Road was / is a disaster and politically corrupt money involved. Follow the money.	save trees			0	1	0	1
Protect our large trees in town! Limit residential owners and businesses from cutting down healthy, old trees!	limit hsg	save trees		1	0	0	1
Protect at least 75% of undeveloped land to preserve the original character of the town as well as protecting the environment and wildlife.	open space	wildlife	environment	1	0	0	1
				3	1	0	4

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Actual Responses Below						
			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Historical	Category 1		Count	Count	Count	Count
Acquire more historical sites	historical		1	0	0	1
HISTORIC APPRECIATION	historical		1	0	0	1
			2	0	0	2

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Actual Responses Below						
			Support	Oppose	No	
Controlled Growth	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Opinion	Responses
					Count	Count
large developers	business	control growth	0	1	0	1
Thoughtful balance between maintaining the nature of the town (rural/agricultural), and planned development that provides both value and revenue to the town. We can't stay in the rural past forever, but we can very carefully plan how we develop into the future.	controlled growth		1	0	0	1
MAINTAIN A SMALL TOWN, ANTI CITY FOOTPRINT	small town charm	limit development	1	0	0	1
			2	1	0	3

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Actual Responses Below							
				Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Downtown	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Count	Count	Count	Count
acquire a 'common' as a welcoming entrance to town	downtown			1	0	0	1
See previous conversation moment ☹️ n RESTRICTIVE uses in I and IR zones for hazardous materials, nuclear and virology research/manufacturing facilities. Expand cannabis to AC zones. Create identifiable character of downtown area and find grants.	zoning	cannabis	downtown	1	0	0	1
				2	0	0	2

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Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
Horse trails						
Develop more bike paths and horse trails	bike paths	horse trails	1	0	0	1
Horse and bike trails	bike paths	horse trails	1	0	0	1
			2	0	0	2

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Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
Traffic						
Don't need large businesses that infringe on traffic.	business	traffic	0	0	1	1
			0	0	1	1

12. Do you oppose or support these land use strategies to address future growth over the next 20 years? Please check the answer you agree with.

			Support	Oppose	No Opinion	Responses
Charging stations	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count	Count
Acquire land for charging stations with recreation options i.e. dog park/hiking	charging stations		1	0	0	1
			1	0	0	1

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

	Percent	Count	
Yes	78.20%	688	
No	21.80%	192	
	Totals	880	
For Those Who Answered Yes To The Question	# of Responses	% of Responses	Cum %
No housing growth	16	28.6	28.6
All other	11	19.6	48.2
Not planning to move	8	14.3	62.5
More affordable housing needed	6	10.7	73.2
More senior living housing needed	4	7.1	80.4
No low-income housing needed	3	5.4	85.7
No public housing needed	2	3.6	89.3
Limit growth	2	3.6	92.9
Let market conditions dictate	2	3.6	96.4
Apartments needed	1	1.8	98.2
More condos needed	1	1.8	100.0
	56	100.0	
For Those Who Answered No To The Question	# of Responses	% of Responses	Cum %
More affordable housing needed	67	50.8	50.8
More senior options needed	18	13.6	64.4
More smaller housing needed	14	10.6	75.0
More apartments needed	11	8.3	83.3
More condos needed	6	4.5	87.9
More options for housing	5	3.8	91.7
Other	4	3.0	94.7
More single-family housing is needed	3	2.3	97.0
More disabled housing is needed	2	1.5	98.5
No low-income housing is needed	2	1.5	100.0
	132	100	

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

Actual Responses Below

For a "Yes" Response

No Growth	# of Responses	Category
Love that houses aren't packed so tightly together.	1	no growth
Enough with expanding housing before you need to build more schools	1	no growth
Everyone has the option of housing of their choice	1	no growth
However, I understand how competitive and "closed" the market in Southwick is. That's a strength for our community.	1	no growth
No more building period	1	no growth
Plenty of housing for all price ranges.	1	no growth
Plenty to choose from	1	no growth
seems ok	1	no growth
The range is plentiful from ranches to large luxury homes depending	1	no growth
There are plenty of options and No one Has to live in Southwick.	1	no growth
There's plenty of options, problem is, many don't know them.	1	no growth
We moved to Southwick because of the nice residential neighborhoods and community feel	1	no growth
yes	1	no growth
Yes	2	no growth
Seems to be enough single-family homes	1	no more single family
	16	

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16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "Yes" Response**

Other	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2
N/A	1	other	
.	1	other	
I	1	other	
I own a two-family house. Owner in residence.	1	other	
My mother waited on the elderly house list and you brought refugees in and my mother unfortunately passed away before she was considered. After the refugees came in, waited for two years. Dead for 4.	1	other	
Our children do not live in Southwick	1	other	
People know what Southwick is like and move here for the rural/suburban feel. We still need amenities like Westfield and W Springfield to keep the \$ here and reduce taxes for citizens and maintain infrastructure.	1	other	
when I first got divorced, Lakewood Village accepted me there, loved it, it was a great stepping stone before I bought my house on Lakeview	1	other	
Concerned about water shortage and increased traffic	1	water bans	traffic
Concerned about water shortage and increased traffic	1	water bans	traffic
Property taxes are not affordable, and there should be no public housing	1	no public hsg	taxes
	11		

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16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "Yes" Response**

Not moving

	# of Responses	Category
Don't plan on ever moving	1	not moving
for now	1	not moving
I don't plan to move	1	not moving
I have no plans to relocate within Southwick	1	not moving
Like where I live	1	not moving
retired, minimal needs	1	not moving
We are fine	1	not moving
We are ok where we are	1	not moving
	8	

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "Yes" Response**

More affordable housing	# of Responses	Category
Higher prices exclude many families and/or individuals	1	more affordable housing
There is housing but it's expensive	1	more affordable housing
We need to make sure there are options for all tax brackets	1	more affordable housing
Yes, but there may not be sufficient housing for other people	1	more affordable housing
however, the real estate industry has overinflated the market prices	1	more affordable options
My family is fortunate enough to afford to live here. That is not true for many others.	1	more affordable options
	6	

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16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "Yes" Response**

Senior Living

of Responses

Category

could increase over 55 communities	1	senior living
INDEPENDENT LIVING FACILITY/ASSISTED LIVING	1	senior living
More senior housing for the future	1	senior living
Reasonable housing for seniors transitioning to smaller condos/homes	1	senior living
	4	

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "Yes" Response**

No low-income housing

Low-income housing is a social scourge. It is well intentioned but is a crime magnet.

**# of
Responses**

Category

no low-income
housing

1

No low-income housing

1

no low-income
housing

No one "deserves" to live in any specific town. If you do well in life you get to live somewhere nice.

1

no low-income
housing

3

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "Yes" Response**

No Public Housing	# of Responses	Category	Category
Property taxes are not affordable, and there should be no public housing	1	no public housing	taxes
We need to reduce non tax revenue housing.	1	no public housing	
	2		

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16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "Yes" Response**

Limit Growth

**# of
Responses**

Category

I moved to Southwick purposely because it was a smaller town without a bustling city center with a smaller population and less drain on the city resources. I don't want to become like Westfield or some of the other surrounding towns.

1

limit growth

Southwick still has areas that can be developed for future housing needs without losing existing recreational land and farmland.

1

limit growth

2

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16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "Yes" Response**

Market Dictates

**# of
Responses**

Category

except when inventory for sale is low

1

market dictates

Real Estate Market Tight EVERYWHERE NOW

1

market dictates

2

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "Yes" Response**

Apartments	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2
Nice apartments/condos within walking distance of the 3 business centers would be a plus.	1	apartments needed	condos needed
It might help to have more apartments for all ages. more apartments	1	apartments needed	
	2		

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**Actual Responses Below
For a "Yes" Response**

Condos

**# of
Responses**

Category 1

Category 2

Nice apartments/condos within walking distance of the 3 business centers would be a plus.

1

apartments
needed

condos
needed

1

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "No" Response**

Affordable Housing	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4
Most available housing options are too expensive for the average family to afford	1	more affordable housing			
Need more low income	1	more affordable housing			
Very few options for middle and low income to purchase in town	1	more affordable housing			
Entry level housing is in short supply	2	more affordable housing			
Need more affordable housing	1	more affordable housing			
Need more affordable housing for young families	1	more affordable housing			
Need more affordable options	1	more affordable housing			
Need more homes	1	more affordable housing			
Need quality low-income housing & available small homes for seniors and small families	1	more affordable housing			
New housing options are priced vastly outside the range of acceptability, particularly for the type of home they are.	1	more affordable housing			
No medium-priced homes in Southwick	1	more affordable housing			
Not affordable for young families/single young adults	1	more affordable housing			
Not enough affordable options	1	more affordable housing			

Actual Responses Below For a "No" Response					
Affordable Housing	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4
As it stands, there are no affordable homes for me to purchase/move in to in town. I currently have to look at homes/rentals outside of town, as the new homes in town are not starting homes and there are no rental properties like apartments or condos.	1	more affordable housing			
Build more affordable homes for first time home buyers	1	more affordable housing			
can't afford house for new families	1	more affordable housing			
cost	1	more affordable housing			
Cost is too high, mostly single-family homes, all new homes are too large	1	more affordable housing	smaller houses		
Costs are too high for everyday working families	1	more affordable housing			
costs too high	1	more affordable housing			
Currently am economically tight housing market, similar to many other communities.	1	more affordable housing			
Currently under \$ 300,000 or over \$ 550,000	1	more affordable housing			
everyone says I don't have enough income for a 1 bedroom and I work full time	1	more affordable housing			
feel we are being priced out by higher taxes and housing costs	1	more affordable housing			
Houses are so overpriced and no land	1	more affordable housing			
housing is no longer affordable for families starting out	1	more affordable housing			
housing is to expensive	1	more affordable housing			

Actual Responses Below For a "No" Response					
Affordable Housing	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4
Housing is unreasonably expensive, land is unreasonably expensive, there are too many restrictions on high density housing, aging residents are scooping up affordable single-level homes that would be better off serving as a first-time home owner's property	1	more affordable housing			
lacking housing for younger family members that prefer better amenities and nicer downtown	1	more affordable housing			
Most of the new homes cost a lot of money	1	more affordable housing			
my adult children cannot afford to buy a house in Southwick	1	more affordable housing			
need for affordable housing	1	more affordable housing			
need more neighborhoods that are affordable	1	more affordable housing			
not enough affordable housing	1	more affordable housing			
Not if we were to sell and want to stay in 01077	1	more affordable housing			
not much affordable housing for young people/young families	1	more affordable housing			
Nothing affordable, we do not need any more mini-mansions	1	more affordable housing			
Prices are a major concern now.	1	more affordable housing			
Prices are too high	1	more affordable housing			
Pricing in our market prohibits us from upsizing or downsizing. More inventory/new builds of smaller homes and mid-level homes would help pricing.	1	more affordable housing			
Single family homes are too expensive	1	more affordable housing			

Actual Responses Below For a "No" Response					
Affordable Housing	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4
Southwick has priced me out, if I move I can't move within Southwick	1	more affordable housing			
The housing prices are too high	1	more affordable housing			
The inflation of the housing market notwithstanding, the continuous construction of large, expensive single-family homes is making the town virtually inaccessible to young and lower income people/families, retirees, and other demographics. I expect that this will lead to a continuous exodus of the younger generations from this town, and fewer new people coming in. A combined approach of more affordable housing (and apartments, not just condos) and business development that provides job opportunities is ideal, in my opinion.	1	more affordable housing			
There are limited options for our children to rent in town and only after they get established in their careers can they come close to be able to afford to buy in town. I think more single bedroom rentals would be good but I am apposed to housing for those who can and refuse to work. If you are not vested in your home, be that a home or apartment, you will not treat it or your neighbors with respect. That invites blight and crime into any town or city.	1	more affordable housing			
Too expensive	1	more affordable housing			
Too many developments that not accessible to middle class people	1	more affordable housing			
Too many high-priced homes	1	more affordable housing			
Very limited options for young adults	1	more affordable options			
We need more affordable housing and apartments.	1	more affordable options	apartments		
When looking to move out on my own I need to look in different towns to find an affordable place to rent.	1	more affordable options			
Would like to upgrade to larger house and lot, but none are available in Southwick. Want to stay in town as kids grow up	1	more larger homes			

Actual Responses Below For a "No" Response					
Affordable Housing	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4
There could be more.	1	more needed			
Downsizing and staying in Southwick is challenging	1	more options	smaller houses		
Everything being built is out of budget for most middle income families. My children will most likely not be able to afford a home in their hometown.	1	more affordable options			
Everything is too expensive for young families; couldn't move anywhere else in Southwick if we wanted to	1	more affordable options			
High market value	1	more affordable options			
Houses are either or big not much for in the middle	1	more affordable options			
I would like to stay in Southwick but it is unaffordable due to lack of options and pricing	1	more affordable options			
I'm married with one son. Where are all the starter homes for families?	1	more affordable options			
If I have to sell my home to downsize there is very little affordable condo or senior homes in Southwick.	1	more affordable options	smaller houses	senior living	condos
If I needed to downsize, I could not sell my home and find a (nice) smaller home here. If I wanted to move my widowed sister-in-law in with us, I do not have enough room, and could not find an affordable alternative in town. There should be smaller lot sizes allowed and available to create more neighborhoods like Gargon Terrace, Shagbark Drive, even along Feeding Hills Rd. These are starter homes AND empty-nester homes. All new homes do not need to be 3,500+ SQ ft.	1	more affordable options	smaller houses		
I'm currently trying to buy and would like to see more affordable housing purchase options	1	more affordable options			
It is very rural and no affordable housing available	1	more affordable options			
Many/most homes are too expensive for a coupler or person just starting out	1	more affordable options			

Actual Responses Below For a "No" Response					
Affordable Housing	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4
Most houses in Southwick are overpriced even for a 2bed 1 bath house. New generation cannot afford a new house or an older one without paying excessive amount.	1	more affordable options			
	67				

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "No" Response**

Senior Living	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2
Affordable housing for seniors is seriously lacking in Southwick.	1	senior living	
affordable senior condos/tiny homes	1	senior living	smaller houses
Affordable senior housing	1	senior living	
Elderly housing is limited. Not enough to accommodate those who wish to downside when elderly and it should be affordable	1	senior living	smaller houses
Encourage tiny home affordable developments for seniors	1	senior living	smaller houses
I may need low-income senior housing. We don't have much of this.	1	senior living	
more affordable senior living	1	senior living	
More senior citizen housing. Possibly tiny houses	1	senior living	smaller houses
more senior housing	1	senior living	
need more affordable options for seniors for seniors	1	senior living	
Senior housing	1	senior living	
smaller footprint homes that are more efficient and sustainable, 55+ recreational community housing, middle income senior housing	1	senior living	smaller houses
There needs to be more 55 plus living communities with "common facilities" to support the boomer population.	1	senior living	
We need to sell our large house but need affordable owner occupied over 55	1	senior living	
With people living longer more affordable senior housing is needed	1	senior living	

Senior Living	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2
My husband and I worry about meeting financial obligations when he retires at the end of this year (He still works at almost 78 years old!) Will we still be able to make ends meet and stay in our home?	1	senior options	
Not enough elderly housing	1	senior options	
If I have to sell my home to downsize there is very little affordable condo or senior homes in Southwick.	1	more affordable options	smaller houses
	18		

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "No" Response**

Smaller Homes

	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4
We need smaller houses older residents	1	smaller homes			
You can't "downsize" in town, only upsize	1	smaller homes			
Many houses in Southwick have become monstrously large and therefore expensive	1	smaller homes			
Cost is too high, mostly single-family homes, all new homes are too large	1	more affordable options	smaller homes		
Downsizing and staying in Southwick is challenging	1	more options	smaller homes		
I wish there were smaller houses 1500-2000 square feet	1	more options	smaller homes		
If I have to sell my home to downsize there is very little affordable condo or senior homes in Southwick.	1	more affordable options	smaller homes	senior living	condo
If I needed to downsize, I could not sell my home and find a (nice) smaller home here. If I wanted to move my widowed sister-in-law in with us, I do not have enough room, and could not find an affordable alternative in town. There should be smaller lot sizes allowed and available to create more neighborhoods like Gargon Terrace, Shagbark drive, even along Feeding Hills Rd. These are starter homes AND empty nester homes. All new homes do not need to be 3,500+ SQ ft.	1	more affordable options	smaller homes		
Nice small house to retire	1	more options	smaller homes		
affordable senior condos/tiny homes	1	senior living	smaller homes		
Elderly housing is limited. Not enough to accommodate those who wish to downside when elderly and it should be affordable	1	senior living	smaller homes		
Encourage tiny home affordable developments for seniors	1	senior living	smaller homes		
More senior citizen housing. Possibly tiny houses	1	senior living	smaller homes		
smaller footprint homes that are more efficient and sustainable, 55+ recreational community housing, middle income senior housing	1	senior living	smaller options		

Smaller Homes	# of Responses				
	14	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "No" Response**

Apartments	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2
need apartments	1	apartments	
Apartments. For singles	1	apartments	
more rental spaces would be helpful to keep our young people rooted here as opposed to having to find apartments elsewhere	1	apartments	
need more apartments	1	apartments	
Need newer and more efficient apartments	1	apartments	
No apartments or not enough apt buildings	1	apartments	
not enough apartments and condos	1	apartments	condos
Some apartments would be nice to have for our younger generations	1	apartments	
There are extremely limited rental/ownership opportunities for someone of my income bracket in Southwick.	1	apartments	
There is basically no rental units / apartments which can accommodate a family, or someone who can't drive due to disability or choice	1	apartments	
We need more affordable housing and apartments.	1	more affordable options	apartments
	11		

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional

**Actual Responses Below
For a "No" Response**

Condos

	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4
condos	1	condos			
condos	1	condos			
More options for condominium style housing	1	condos			
No condo	1	condos			
not enough apartments and condos	1	apartments	condos		
If I have to sell my home to downsize there is very little affordable condo or senior homes in Southwick.	1	more affordable options	smaller houses	senior living	condos
	6				

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "No" Response**

More options

	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2
I live in low-income housing that I believe should be updated. It was built in the 1950s and is in need of updating	1	more options	
I wish there were smaller houses 1500-2000 square feet	1	more options	smaller houses
Downsizing and staying in Southwick is challenging	1	more options	smaller houses
There could be more.	1	more needed	
	4		

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "No" Response**

Other

	# of Responses	Category
If property taxes continue at this rate, I won't be able to stay.	1	taxes
Tannery Rd should not have to worry about even more traffic including trucks if a business park is built. I would move out of this town immediately	1	traffic
There is no place in town that I would choose to live as I age that is within safe walking access to services, businesses, essential needs, and cultural opportunities; It is nearly impossible to live in Southwick if you don't drive a car.	1	downtown
Would like to upgrade to larger house and lot, but none are available in Southwick. Want to stay in town as kids grow up	1	more larger homes
	4	

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "No" Response**

More single-family houses	# of Responses	Category
need more single-family homes	1	more single-family homes
would like to see a little more residential development	1	more single-family homes
More single-family homes that are not condos are needed	1	more single-family homes
	3	

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "No" Response**

Disabled housing

	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2
We could use more HUD housing for seniors and disabled people.	1	low income	disabled
We need low-income senior/handicapped assisted living homes	1	low income	disabled
	2		

(Write in Response from Question 16)

16. Do you believe there are sufficient housing options for you and your family in Southwick? Please provide any additional comments, if you wish.

**Actual Responses Below
For a "No" Response**

Low-income housing	# of Responses	Category 1	Category 2
We could use more HUD housing for seniors and disabled people.	1	low income	disabled
We need low-income senior/handicapped assisted living homes	1	low income	disabled
	2		

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs? (Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below		
Other - Write In	Count	
	Qty of Responses	% of Total
Not moving	9	20.5
Downsizing	6	13.6
Moving out of town	5	11.4
Moving to affordable housing	5	11.4
Other	5	11.4
Taxes	3	6.8
Different type of housing	3	6.8
Senior living	2	4.5
Moving on lake	2	4.5
Controlled growth	2	4.5
Government	1	2.3
Water bans	1	2.3
	44	100.0

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs?

(Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below		
Not Moving	# of Responses	Category
Already making my house easy access - walk-in shower, etc.	1	not moving
Already own a plot in Southwick Cemetery	1	not moving
Hope to stay where I am	1	not moving
I own a house with a small hobby farm, I plan to continue owning a house with a small hobby farm	1	not moving
I would be staying in my apartment of my two family home.	1	not moving
I'm staying in MY home	1	not moving
Staying in our current home as long as we can physically and financially handle it.	1	not moving
This is a vacation home for us	1	not moving
Who knows what peoples future will be but plan to stay where I am until I die	1	not moving
	9	

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs? (Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below			
Smaller home	# of Responses	Category	
I wouldn't be opposed to allowing "tiny homes" built alongside full size homes on R40 plots. Or "over the garage" apartments etc.	1	smaller home	
If I did have to move, I would live in a tinier home with one level, senior living community/apartment.	1	smaller home	
may down size	1	smaller home	
mobile home	1	smaller home	
Once the kids move out we will downsize to smaller house.	1	smaller home	
Small Private homestead	1	smaller home	
	6		

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs?
(Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below

Out of Town/State

	# of Responses	Category
Could retire to another state	1	out of state
Staying in MA is unlikely due to high income taxes	1	out of state
Possible relocation out of town	1	out of town
eventual move out of town with relative	1	out of town
Probably leave town and or state.	1	out of town
	5	

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs?
(Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below

Affordable Housing	# of Responses	Category	Category
I checked a number of options. Depends a lot on affordability.	1	affordable housing	
An affordable place	1	affordable housing	
If I could afford to move out I would	1	affordable housing	
If something happened with my current situation we would be priced out of town, which is sad when we work for the schools and grew up here	1	affordable housing	
We need more 55+ housing, and housing that is affordable for younger folks. I work in a surrounding town and that has become one of the biggest issues.	1	affordable housing	senior living
	5		

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs?
(Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below

Other

	# of Responses	Category	Category	Category
I answered this with an eye on both desire and reality, so it may seem to be in conflict with itself.	1	other		
Looking forward to relocating to Southwick from Westfield	1	other		
Not sure	1	other		
Depends on Global warming whether or not I would move	1	other		
I cannot stay in Southwick unless I see a will and effort toward positive change in planning and design regulations, bylaws, and in government leadership and attitudes toward public participation of ALL citizens.	1	gov't	controlled growth	other
	5			

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs? (Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below

Taxes

	# of Responses	Category	Category
Lower real estate taxes	1	taxes	
Will probably be selling in the next two years taxes are too high	1	taxes	
water situation is untenable property taxes way too high	1	water bans	taxes
	3		

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs?
(Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below			
Different housing	# of Responses	Category	
Living in a barn/house combo	1	different type of housing	
creating in law apartment for elderly parents	1	different type of housing	
If we move it would be to have more land	1	different type of housing	
	3		

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs?
(Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below

Senior living

	# of Response	Category	Category
subsidized senior housing	1	senior living	
We need more 55+ housing, and housing that is affordable for younger folks. I work in a surrounding town and that has become one of the biggest issues.	1	affordable housing	senior living
	2		

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs?
(Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below		
On the lake	# of Responses	Category
Reclaiming access to the Lake	1	on the lake
I'd like to live on the lake	1	on the lake
	2	

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs?
(Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below

Controlled growth

I cannot stay in Southwick unless I see a will and effort toward positive change in planning and design regulations, bylaws, and in government leadership and attitudes toward public participation of ALL citizens.

I would live Southwick if it continues to grow

# of Responses	Category	Category	Category
1	gov't	controlled growth	other
1	other		
2			

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs? (Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below

Government

I cannot stay in Southwick unless I see a will and effort toward positive change in planning and design regulations, bylaws, and in government leadership and attitudes toward public participation of ALL citizens.

# of Responses	Category	Category	Category
1	gov't	controlled growth	other
1			

(Write in Response from Question 17)

17. If you were to move to another living situation in Southwick within the next 20 years, what type of housing do you anticipate would meet your future needs?
(Choose all that apply)

Actual Responses Below

Water bans

	# of Responses	Category	Category
water situation is untenable property taxes way too high	1	water bans	taxes
	1		

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Summary of Responses Below

	Support Count	Support %	Oppose Count	Oppose %	Neutral Count	Total Count
Senior living	9	16.4	0	0.0	0	9
Government	7	12.7	0	0.0	0	7
Smaller homes	7	12.7	0	0.0	0	7
Other	5	9.1	0	0.0	0	5
Redevelopment into housing	4	7.3	0	0.0	0	4
No housing	4	7.3	0	0.0	0	4
Vereran housing	3	5.5	0	0.0	0	3
Multi family	3	5.5	0	0.0	0	3
Mobile park	3	5.5	0	0.0	0	3
Mixed-use	2	3.6	0	0.0	0	2
Limit housing	2	3.6	0	0.0	0	2
Low-income	1	1.8	3	4.9	0	4
Apartments	1	1.8	2	3.3	0	3
Public housing	1	1.8	1	1.6	0	2
Condos	1	1.8	0	0.0	0	1
No low-income housing	1	1.8	0	0.0	0	1
Single-family housing	1	1.8	0	0.0	0	1
	55	100.00	6		0	61

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

Senior living		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
Category	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
55 and older communities	senior living	1	0	0	1
Affordable housing for seniors	senior living	1	0	0	1
Affordable senior housing	senior living	1	0	0	1
Elderly complexes	senior living	1	0	0	1
mobile homes for seniors	senior living	1	0	0	1
More elderly housing veterans as well	senior living vet living	1	0	0	1
Support housing for seniors and vets.	senior living vet living	1	0	0	1
Short term Vacation income properties	short term rentals	1	0	0	1
New builds of single-family homes	single-family	1	0	0	1
		9	0	0	9

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

Government

			Support	Oppose	Total
	Category 1	Category 2	Count	Count	Count
Limit the amount of housing to the water supply	water supply	gov't	1	0	1
Auxiliary Dwelling unit to support aging or disabled family member with semi-independent living	gov't		1	0	1
These dwelling options should be limited and voted on, on a case-by-case basis.	gov't		1	0	0
support and offer low interest 1st time home buyers loans	gov't		1	0	1
Short term Vacation income properties	gov't		1	0	1
Whatever will make the smallest impact on the community	gov't		1	0	1
Protecting families by preventing large property companies (Blackrock, Zillow, etc.) from buying up housing and turning it into rental properties	gov't		1	0	1
			7	0	6

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below					
Smaller Homes		Support Count	Oppose Count	Neutral Count	Total Count
Neighborhoods of 1,000-1,200 sq/ft ranch style homes	smaller homes	1	0	0	1
habitat for humanity houses	smaller homes	1	0	0	1
smaller homes in well designed neighborhoods	smaller homes	1	0	0	1
Subdivision of 2000 sq ft or less houses	smaller homes	1	0	0	1
Tiny home communities	smaller homes	1	0	0	1
Tiny homes	smaller homes	2	0	0	2
		7	0	0	7

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
Other	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Education and access to programs available	education	1	0	0	1
Family farms	farms	1	0	0	1
Maintain and upgrade historical homes	historical	1	0	0	1
Let market decide.	market dictates	1	0	0	1
need more housing asap	more housing	1	0	0	1
		5	0	0	5

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

Redevelopment		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Acquisition of defunct/crumbling buildings for redevelopment	redevelopment	1	0	0	1
Existing buildings	redevelopment	1	0	0	1
Renovated houses	redevelopment	1	0	0	1
Reprising degrading homes	redevelopment	1	0	0	1
		4	0	0	4

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
No housing	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Don't offer any new options for affordable housing	no affordable housing	1	0	0	1
No more housing	no housing developments	0	0	0	0
No New Developments Of Any Kind	no housing developments	0	0	1	1
Keep low-income housing out of Southwick	no low-income housing	1	0	0	1
Leave income levels to keep above grade to keep us a quality town	no low-income housing	1	0	0	1
NONE!! LOW-INCOME HOUSING = DRUGS AND CRIMINALS	no low-income housing	1	0	0	1
		4	0	1	5

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
Veteran housing	Category	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Veteran housing /transitional therapy programs	vet housing		1	0	0	1
More elderly housing veterans as well	Senior living	vet housing	1	0	0	1
Support housing for seniors and vets.	Senior living	vet housing	1	0	0	1
			3	0	0	3

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below					
Multi-family housing		Support Count	Oppose Count	Neutral Count	Total Count
multi-family homes are becoming more necessary with the cost of living rising	multi-family homes	1	0	0	1
Auxiliary Dwelling unit to support aging or disabled family member with semi-independent living	in-law apartments	1	0	0	1
Owner occupied two family	two-family	1	0	0	1
		3	0	0	3

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
Mobile Park		Count	Count	Count	Count
Mobile home park / RV park	mobile park RV park	1	0	0	1
Mobile home parks	mobile park	1	0	0	1
Mobile home park / RV park	mobile park RV park	1	0	0	1
		3	0	0	3

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
Mixed-use	Category	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Mixed-use in the newly revitalized and identifiable downtown business district. I like that that this is happening on the southern end of the B/BR zone on college highway	mixed-use housing		1	0	0	1
Nursing home mixed-use	mixed-use housing	nursing home	1	0	0	1
			2	0	0	2

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
Limit Housing	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Only building necessary housing	limit housing	1	0	0	1
Limit the amount of housing to the water supply	to water supply	1	0	0	1
		2	0	0	2

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

			Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
Low-income housing	Category	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Better low income/disabled housing	low-income	disabled	1	0	0	1
Low-Income Housing	low-income		0	1	0	1
Low-Income Housing Apartments/Projects With Large number of units	low-income	apartments	0	1	0	1
Section 8 housing	low-income		0	0	0	0
Section 8 multi apartment housing	low-income	apartments	0	1	0	1
			1	3	0	4

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
Apartments		Count	Count	Count	Count
Apartment building	apartments	0	1	0	1
Large apartments buildings	apartments	0	1	0	1
Places like Lakewood Village, something for everyone	apartments	1	0	0	1
		1	2	0	3

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
Public housing	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Selling Town owned housing	public housing	1	0	0	1
The town financing housing for the public	public housing	0	1	0	1
		1	1	1	1

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

Condos

		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Condos	condos	0	0	0	0
Luxury condos	condos	1	0	0	1
		1	0	0	1

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
No low-income	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
Don't offer any new options for affordable housing	No affordable housing	0	1	0	1
		0	1	0	1

(Write in Response from Question 19)

19. Over the next 20 years, I would oppose, be neutral towards, or support the town providing affordable and accessible housing options through development of:

Actual Responses Below

Single-Family

		Support	Oppose	Neutral	Total
	Category	Count	Count	Count	Count
New builds of single-family homes	single-family	1	0	0	1
		1	0	0	1

(Write in Response from Question 20)

20. Over the next 20 years, where would you like to see new housing built?
Select all that apply.

Summary of Data

Category

Count

Percent

Minimal residential development	436	29.01
Along existing roads with little existing development	377	25.08
As part of mixed-use commercial/residential development	259	17.23
New subdivisions that require new roads	220	14.64
In areas of concentrated development	165	10.98
Other (please specify)	46	3.06
	1503	100.00

Other (write-in)

No new housing	Qty	Percent
Limited housing	25	54.3
Redevelopment for housing	8	17.4
Other	4	8.7
Zoning	4	8.7
Market driven	2	4.3
New subdivisions	2	4.3
	1	2.2
	46	100.0

(Write in Response from Question 20)

20. Over the next 20 years, where would you like to see new housing built? Select all that apply.

Actual Responses Below

No Housing

	Count	Category
Another town	1	no housing
ANYWHERE ELSE!!	1	no housing
Don't Want Any New Housing	1	no housing
Granville area	1	no housing
I don't want to see anymore development in Southwick	1	no housing
Keep Southwick the way it is. No new developments.	1	no housing
NO MORE DEVELOPMENT IN SOUTHWICK	1	no housing
No more development of Southwick.	1	no housing
No more housing	1	no housing
No new housing	1	no housing
NO NEW SUBDIVISIONS!	1	no housing
None	2	no housing
none	2	no housing
None	1	no housing
NONE OF THE ABOVE	1	no housing
NONE! We have MAXED out our population 5 years ago. We will never again exceed 10,000. It was a BUBBLE. Future population increases will not be from quality people, it will spill over from the cities = trash input. Keep prices high, maintain quality resident base.	1	no housing
Nowhere	1	no housing
Residential development drives higher taxes. Each unit, apart from >55 age development, requires an increase in town resources, not covered by the property taxes related to the new units.	1	no housing
Stop building new homes, before you have to build new schools	1	no housing
Stop building, town getting too big	1	no housing
too many houses	1	no housing
We are built up enough	1	no housing
Who says the town has to grow? Let the towns around us grow.	1	no housing
	25	

(Write in Response from Question 20)

20. Over the next 20 years, where would you like to see new housing built? Select all that apply.

Actual Responses Below

Limited housing

	Count	Category
around Southwick, limited new roads	1	limited
Green developments	1	limited
I do not support the excessive building construction in this farming town	1	limited
I oppose significant residential growth	1	limited
Only on non farm land	1	limited
please just not as big as you allowed at Southwick CC. limit the size	1	limited
prefer very limited development	1	limited
put where roads aren't as congested and not on main streets	1	limited
	8	

(Write in Response from Question 20)

20. Over the next 20 years, where would you like to see new housing built?
Select all that apply.

Actual Responses Below

Redevelopment	Count	Category
Buy and fix up homes that are already for sale.	1	redevelopment
Conversion of existing, underutilized structures for residential apartments	1	redevelopment
renovate & reuse more	1	redevelopment
Reuse buildings that are vacant	1	redevelopment
	4	

(Write in Response from Question 20)

20. Over the next 20 years, where would you like to see new housing built? Select all that apply.

Actual Responses Below

Other	Count	Category
Amateurs writing surveys. My heavens. You are stacking the deck with slanted questions.	1	other
Not familiar with the total community	1	other
walkability to stores, library, etc	1	other
we need to beautify our downtown area to attract local spending.		
visit other upscale/local communities such as Lenox/Lee to understand their community development	1	other
	4	

(Write in Response from Question 20)

20. Over the next 20 years, where would you like to see new housing built? Select all that apply.

Actual Responses Below

Zoning	Count	Category
Development only on already built areas and in keeping with scale, character and within a design code.	1	zoning
I believe strongly in landowners rights to maximize the value of their land. I do hope that zoning can be changed to simultaneously allow development of parcels while maintaining agricultural and open-space uses.	1	zoning
	2	

(Write in Response from Question 20)

20. Over the next 20 years, where would you like to see new housing built?
Select all that apply.

Actual Responses Below

Market driven	Count	Category
Let the people buying the homes decide where and what they want to build	1	market driven
Where land owners and developers find appropriate locations.	1	market driven
	2	

(Write in Response from Question 20)

20. Over the next 20 years, where would you like to see new housing built?
Select all that apply.

Actual Responses Below

New subdivisions

"New subdivisions that require new roads" making certain that connecting roads do not suffer undue stress and danger of additional traffic demands.

Count

Category

1

new subdivisions

(Write in Response from Question 21)

21. In your opinion, how important are the following transportation-related items over the next 20 years?

"Other" or Freehand Responses

Headings labeled "Somewhat Important" and "Very Important" have been added together into the column labeled "Important"

Headings labeled "Not Important at All" and "Not Very Important" have been added together into the column labeled "Not Important"

Summary of Responses	Combined	Combined	
	Important	Not important	% of Total
Roads	24	0	39.3
Other	7	0	11.5
Access	7	0	11.5
Transportation	7	1	11.5
Traffic lights	5	0	8.2
Alternative energy	4	0	6.6
Beautification	3	0	4.9
Taxes	2	0	3.3
Parking	2	0	3.3
	61		100

(Write in Response from Question 21)

21. In your opinion, how important are the following transportation-related items over the next 20 years?

"Other" or Freehand Response			
Actual Responses Below		Combined	Combined
Roads and sidewalks	Important	Not important	Category
Fix the roads	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Improve condition of roads	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Improved/expanded sidewalks	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Keeping lines painted	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Lanes for agricultural vehicles; ADA accessible sidewalks without light posts, telephone poles, and mailboxes, or snow piles; wide enough for a wheelchair user and their companion or a stroller and caregiver; electric vehicle chargers accessible throughout	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Maintain existing roads	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Maintaining roads	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Making roads in high-traffic areas (such as College Highway) safer for pedestrians, through more crosswalks, slower speed limits, or other options	1	0	roads & sidewalks
More side walks (point grove road)	1	0	roads & sidewalks
More sidewalks on main roads like south Longyard	1	0	roads & sidewalks
More sideways (tannery being one)	1	0	roads & sidewalks
More turning lanes in center of road	1	0	roads & sidewalks
New sidewalks	1	0	roads & sidewalks

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Actual Responses Below	Combined	Combined	
Roads and sidewalks	Important	Not important	Category
Pave the roads that need it and stop patching them	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Repair of every road surface. Not patching repairs on top of repairs.	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Sidewalks	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Sidewalks	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Sidewalks that are unobstructed and wide enough for a wheelchair user and companion beside them.	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Sidewalks to curb bus stops	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Stop making intersections narrower with less sweeping corners	1	0	roads & sidewalks
Very disappointed they re paved my road a few years back (N Longyard) and didn't include a sidewalk or at least a bike lane. May people jogging and riding bikes and people constantly speeding. My neighbors and I were disgusted a bike lane wasn't e	1	0	roads & sidewalks
add sidewalks (especially near rail trail & recreation	1	0	roads & sidewalks
fix roads on the North Pond --- Summer , N Lake we are part of town	1	0	roads & sidewalks
road conditions must be improved...can't wait till 2040	1	0	roads & sidewalks
	24	0	

(Write in Response from Question 21)

21. In your opinion, how important are the following transportation-related items over the next 20 years?

"Other" or Freehand Response**Actual Responses Below**

	Combined	Combined	
Other	important	Not important	Category
As for signage, Summer Dr has had the wrong street sign for 15-20 years. First Summer was misspelled! We lived with Sumer for years. The sign was destroyed in the October storm and replaced with "Summer Ave". It should be Summer Drive	1	0	other
Bike share / scooter share	1	0	other
Boating restrictions-size and amount of boats	1	0	other
Control commercial traffic in residential areas	1	0	other
Keeping the CITY out of SOUTHWICK	1	0	other
Sound restrictions on all vehicles to limit noise pollution.	1	0	other
Better internet	1	0	other
	7	0	

(Write in Response from Question 21)

21. In your opinion, how important are the following transportation-related items over the next 20 years?

"Other" or Freehand Response			
Actual Responses Below	Combined	Combined	
Access	important	Not important	Category
Bike and walk accessibility	1	0	access
Lake walkway access	1	0	access
More parking for lake access	1	0	access
Recreational vehicle access	1	0	access
Reduce speed on route 57 @ Southwick/Feeding Hills border	1	0	access
Walk-on access to the bike trail. It is ridiculous to have to drive your car across town to an unrelated parking lot, hope no one cares that you park there, then still hike a ways just to get to the trail	1	0	access
access to rail trail near the area of Lakemont St	1	0	access
	7		

(Write in Response from Question 21)

21. In your opinion, how important are the following transportation-related items over the next 20 years?

"Other" or Freehand Response			
Actual Responses Below	Combined	Combined	
Transportation	important	Not important	Category
Bus service to all cities in Western Mass	1	0	transportation
Improved transportation for elderly	1	0	transportation
Light rail/intercity trams (electric so they're quiet and go through residential areas)	1	0	transportation
Make golf carts legal on the road. All golf cart diesel, gas, steam, propane and electric.	1	0	transportation
Public Transit that's actually public transit, not taxi or ride share, busses every 20 minutes.	1	0	transportation
Public transportation	1	0	transportation
Transportation for seniors who are unable to continue to drive, senior van, etc.	1	0	transportation
public transportation	0	1	transportation
	7	1	

(Write in Response from Question 21)

21. In your opinion, how important are the following transportation-related items over the next 20 years?

"Other" or Freehand Response			
Actual Responses Below	Combined	Combined	
Traffic lights	important	Not important	Category
Remove the yellow flash arrows at intersections lights. And replace with solid yellow arrow.	1	0	traffic lights
Street light at Tannery & College Highway	1	0	traffic lights
Traffic lights in key areas example Tannery Road and College Highway intersection.	1	0	traffic lights
Traffic signals	1	0	traffic lights
Upgrade traffic lights	1	0	traffic lights
	5		

(Write in Response from Question 21)

21. In your opinion, how important are the following transportation-related items over the next 20 years?

"Other" or Freehand Response			
Actual Responses Below	Combined	Combined	
Alternative Energy	important	Not important	Category
Electric station	1	0	alternative energy
Encouragement of carbon neutral vehicles and public transportation options	1	0	alternative energy
Fossil fuel is not the future.	1	0	alternative energy
Self driving electric Uber	1	0	alternative
	4	0	alternative energy

(Write in Response from Question 21)

21. In your opinion, how important are the following transportation-related items over the next 20 years?

"Other" or Freehand Response			
Actual Responses Below	Combined	Combined	
Beautification	important	Not important	Category
Maintenance of streetscapes	1	0	beautification
Pride in the main area - cleanliness	1	0	beautification
destination shopping area like Simsbury, Sharon CT.	1	0	beautification
	3		

(Write in Response from Question 21)

21. In your opinion, how important are the following transportation-related items over the next 20 years?

"Other" or Freehand Response			
Actual Responses Below	Combined	Combined	
Taxes	important	Not important	Category
More improvement more taxes needed or grants	1	0	taxes
Need more tax base to maintain and rebuild what we already have!	1	0	taxes
	2	0	taxes

(Write in Response from Question 21)

21. In your opinion, how important are the following transportation-related items over the next 20 years?

"Other" or Freehand Response			
Actual Responses Below	Combined	Combined	
Parking	important	Not important	Category
Rail Trail Ale House parking should not impinge on Bike Trail Parking. Example of Selectmen not enforcing the Planning Board parking plan for Rail Trail Ale	1	0	parking
Parking for non-boating lake access	1	0	parking
	2	0	

(Write in Response from Question 22)

Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks** and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.

Sidewalk Summary

Area of Town	Qty of Responses	% of Total	
College Highway	70	15.9	
South Longyard Road	40	9.1	
None / Not Needed	38	8.6	
Powder Mill Road	36	8.2	
Feeding Hills Road	30	6.8	
Granville Road	25	5.7	
Berkshire Avenue	23	5.2	
Point Grove Road	20	4.5	
Sheep Pasture Road	16	3.6	
No Opinion / Not Sure	11	2.5	
Add Bike Lanes	11	2.5	
Tannery Road	10	2.3	
Lake Neighborhoods	10	2.3	
Hillside Road	9	2.0	
All Main Roads	8	1.8	
Near Schools	8	1.8	
Repair Existing Sidewalks	7	1.6	
Near Public Recreation Areas	7	1.6	
Foster Road	5	1.1	
South Loomis Street	5	1.1	
Any New Development	5	1.1	
All Streets	4	0.9	
Coes Hill Road	4	0.9	
Near Businesses Only	4	0.9	
North Loomis Street	4	0.9	
Vining Hill Road	4	0.9	
Downtown Streets	4	0.9	
Sam West Road	4	0.9	
Klaus Anderson Road	2	0.5	
Matthews Road	2	0.5	
Mort Vining Road	2	0.5	
North Longyard Road	2	0.5	
All Other qty of 1 each	10	2.3	
	440		

(Write in Response from Question 22)

Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****College Highway**

Qty of Responses

10 202 57

1

202, all major back roads in which smaller roads branch off of. For example Vining Hill Road, Granville Road, Longyard Road, Powder Mill Road....

1

Add sidewalks on Route 202 from Rt 57 intersection to Westfield border. Also on Sunnyside Rd

1

All of Route 57 - sidewalks All of 10&202 - southbound sidewalks Parking at rail trail Route 57 crossing Some type of parking at Depot St rail trail although space is minimal More public parking for access to lakes by town residents

1

All of Rt. 57 and rt. 202 should have sidewalks

1

Along college highway from Big Y to the center of town by the Inn and along south Longyard Rd. and from the center of town out towards Moolicious and Calabrese Farms

1

Along Route 10 and 202

1

Along route 10/202

1

Along routes 10 and 57

1

Along the section of 202/57 between Southwick Inn & Mobil Station crosswalks

1

BIKE PATH AND SIDEWALK ALONG COLLEGE HIGHWAY TO WESTFIELD FROM TANNERY ROAD

1

both sides of Feeding Hills Rd., both sides of College Highway the whole length, Point Grove Rd.

1

Business areas, College Highway, and heading towards the schools.

1

College Highway, Feeding Hills Rd., Granville Rd.

1

College Highway

1

College Highway

1

College Highway

1

College Highway

1

College Highway - Berkshire Ave - sidewalks

1

College Highway by big Y, College Highway by Tractor Supply and Congamond Road.

1

College Highway 10/202 Feeding Hills Road & Granville Road Route 57

1

College Highway Depot Street Feeding Hills Road Point Grove Road Powder Mill Road

1

College highway from IBS to the cemetery. Depot street from center to rail trail. Sidewalk is bad right now from center to Depot Court. 57 center to library. Nice to have sidewalk from Depot at to OLL church.

1

College Highway from Tractor Supply to Westfield Brewing (sidewalks and parking).

1

College Highway if anywhere

1

Actual Sidewalk Responses	
College Highway	Qty of Responses
College Highway near Depot Street	1
College Highway needs wider sidewalks. Remove telephone poles, light poles and mailboxes that are in the sidewalk; create a tree belt so snow does not obstruct use of the sidewalks.	1
College Highway past Tannery to Sunnyside	1
College Highway Rail Trail	1
College Highway Route 57	1
College Highway should have sidewalk all the way down from center of town to Big Y. Many people walk this dangerous road.	1
College Highway Sunnyside Road Hillside Road	1
College Highway, center of town, public parking on both sides of the street. Adjacent or close to bike trail access areas	1
College Highway, Granville Road, Powder Mill Road	1
College Highway, Rte. 57	1
College highway. From Big Y to Westfield Brewery	1
College Hwy	1
College Hwy all the way from one end of town to the other	1
College Hwy connecting to Congamond road	1
Connect bike path to Whaley Park; better connection of bike path to downtown and Big Y area.	1
Feeding Hills Rd Point Grove Rd Powder Mill Rd College Hwy	1
Feeding Hills Rd, Sheep Pasture Rd, College Highway-Klaus Anderson-Rte. 10	1
From Rising Corner into Town 202 from Big Y to Westfield line Route 57 from Agawam line to Town	1
Further south on 202	1
Hillside Road (Bike lanes, sidewalks) College Highway (bike lane) Rte. 57 (bike lane)	1
I live on Berkshire Ave. there are runners, dog walking and kids on bikes. I would LOVE a sidewalk. Sidewalks down College Highway would be great	1
I would love to see sidewalks created from the Southwick town line down to Ray's farm stand on 202/10. With two senior living communities along this route, it would be greatly utilized and much safer!	1
On College Highway down by McDonald's and Big Y.	1
On College Hwy and Southwick St. Rt 57	1
Route 10/202	1
Route 57 and 202 all the way through	1
RT 10/202	1
Rt 168. Rt 57 Rts 10/202	1
Rt 202 sidewalk extended to Sunnyside	1
Rt 57 Rt 10/202	1
Rte. 10 and 202 to Big Y	1
Rte. 10/202	1

Actual Sidewalk Responses	
College Highway	Qty of Responses
Side walks would be nice all along Point Grove to Sheep Pasture to Depot. It would make walking to shops/restaurants on Rte 202 nice in warmer months. As well as also all along Sheep Pasture to Congamond where very nice sidewalks were installed down towards stores and restaurants at intersection of 202 and Congamond.	1
Sidewalks along College Highway south of Town Hall. Parking around lakes.	1
Sidewalks are needed all along College Hwy	1
Sidewalks College Hwy south, Powermill Rd. Bike parking on depot or Feeding Hills Rd.	1
Sidewalks continued on College Highway to CT	1
sidewalks on Rte 10 and Rte 202	1
Sidewalks on College Highway (see above comment about accessible sidewalks), Klaus Anderson Rd., Vining Hill Rd., Pearl Brook, Noble Steed, Loomis St., Hillside. Rail trail parking at Powder Mill crossing on Feeding Hills, Depot St.	1
Sidewalks should be in existence and connecting on downtown main streets.	1
Sidewalks would be great on College Highway from McDonald's to the center of town.	1
South Longyard Foster rd. College Hwy	1
South Longyard Rd, Feeding Hills Rd, College Hwy	1
The sidewalk areas along College Highway should be extended and beautified as this strip on 202 serves as the town center at this time. There is no tree coverage on any of the existing sidewalks hence no shade, which discourages use of the sidewalks during warm seasons. The lack of vegetation also makes the town center look stark/uninviting for any foot traffic.	1
There should be public parking near the entrances to the bike trail. Sidewalks improved and extended along College Highway and 57.	1
Town Beach Sidewalks in and around McDonalds, Big Y area	1
	70

(Write in Response from Question 22)

Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****South Longyard**

Qty of Responses

202, all major back roads in which smaller roads branch off of. For example Vining Hill Road, Granville Road, Longyard Road, Powder Mill Road....

1

Along college highway from Big Y to the center of town by the Inn and along South Longyard Rd. and from the center of town out towards Moolicious and Calabrese Farms

1

along South Longyard Road between major subdivisions and rail trail.

1

Deer Run-sidewalks needed, Mocking Bird Lane-sidewalks needed, South Longyard Rd.-sidewalks and needed, Powder Mill Rd. (from Fern Wood Rd. to Depot St)-sidewalks/bike lane needed

1

Link downtown with higher density residential areas like the lake region or the large development by Foster/South Longyard, via sidewalks or bike paths.

1

Point Grove Rd. Sheep Pasture South Longyard

1

Roads are terrible ! South Longyard is a nightmare and needs sidewalks !

1

S Longyard Rd. (between Woodland Ridge and Powder Mill), Powder Mill (from S Longyard to the Whalley Park)

1

S Longyard Rd. Powder Mill Rd

1

Side walk on South Longyard ,Between Depot and conservation land lots. A lot of kids and teenagers ride bikes or walk from homes and bike path to the lake access,Ä dangerous hill on the bend of South Longyard without sidewalks

1

Sidewalks - South Longyard to gain off street access to rail (bike) trail and the lakes

1

Sidewalks along South Longyard and Powdermill down to the intersection with the bike path.

Better parking for the bike path near the schools/farm and at the intersection with

Powdermill/S.Longyard/Depot St. Bike lane access on busy roads that connect to the bike path.

1

Sidewalks and bike Rte 57 and South Longyard Road

1

Sidewalks or bike lanes should extend from the rail trail down South Longyard.

1

Sidewalks: South Longyard, Hillside, Foster Parking: Rt 57 bike trail entrance Powdermill bike trail entrance

1

South Longyard north along yard Point Grove Sheep Pasture Berkshire Ave

1

South Longyard

1

South Longyard

1

South Longyard Foster Rd. College Hwy

1

South Longyard There should be sidewalks to all those homes within one mile of the schools, then we wouldn't need so many "almost empty" school buses.

1

South Longyard	Qty of Responses
South Longyard Berkshire Ave	1
South Longyard Foster	1
South Longyard from rail trail to at least North Pond rd.	1
South Longyard needs side walks	1
South Longyard Powder Mill Foster	1
South Longyard Rd. North Longyard Rrd. South and North Loomis	1
South Longyard Rd, Feeding Hills Rd, College Hwy	1
South Longyard Rd.	1
South Longyard Road	1
South Longyard Road any new resident AI development	1
South Longyard Road Anywhere near bike trail access from homes	1
South Longyard road desperately needs a sidewalk.	1
South Longyard Road should have a sidewalk	1
South Longyard Road, Foster Road	1
South Longyard sidewalks	1
South Longyard Road	1
The bike trail should have better parking. South Longyard either needs sidewalks or a bike lane due to bicyclists clogging the roads.	1
along South Longyard Road between major subdivisions and rail trail.	1
	40

(Write in Response from Question 22)

Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****None**

Qty of Responses

Can't think of any that need it and don't have it. Could use better rules for snow removal, especially along 10/202 from Tractor Supply to the Depot St light.

1

Concentration and emphasis on the retention rural character precludes this need.

1

Don't have many sidewalks all these years so not very important

1

Expansion is not currently necessary unless the town is going to encourage business. If the town were to attempt to build some sort of culture and be supportive of local storefronts similar to that of Simsbury the area would need to facilitate the location these business chose for their storefronts and restaurants.

1

Get creative - it is certainly reasonable to create coexisting safe pedestrian access, and parking areas everywhere there is a need. Re-evaluate frequently.

1

Have a bike trail and sidewalks we don't need anymore. Where it's important to walk, they're already there.

1

I am unable to do so right now due to not knowing what developments will take place in the future. I feel the situation is fine now.

1

I can't think of any

1

I don't believe we need to add either anywhere

1

I feel like there are plenty of places to park whether it be for the lake or for the bike trail.

1

If the is no cluster housing then we will not have a problem.

1

It's fine the way it is, let's keep it a small town.

1

Keep Southwick a small rural town!

1

Minimizing development, improving conservation of resources and enjoying the good qualities of Southwick are simply not consistent with significant expansions of parking and new roads.

1

No where

1

None

1

None

1

None

1

None

1

none

1

none

1

None	Qty of Responses
none	1
None	1
None	1
None	1
None	1
None	1
none	1
None	1
None	1
None	1
None- we barely see people using the sidewalks & parking we currently have- none, repair/replace existing to be sustainable.	1
None.	1
NONE Since the new parking lot was put on South Longyard for the Kings Beach area it has become a place that's packed with mostly teenagers from other towns using the rope swing and tree and in turn when we (who went to ever meeting to save the land) cannot use that area while on boat or to walk our dogs as there is usually no parking so no we didn't need that lot and the more lots on our land the more other towns with use and abuse what we enjoy	1
not necessary	1
Sidewalks exist in some crazy places where they are never used because the roads are lightly traveled at low speeds (Gloria Drive for example), yet on cut-through roads where drivers travel fast, there are no sidewalks (Fred Jackson, Bugbee, Kline). Adding sidewalks adds another asset that the town would need to repair when they are not even funded well enough to keep up with repairing and rebuilding our roads.	1
The town has done a great job with sidewalks around the schools and College Highway. Where else are they possibly needed?	1
We will know, when the need presents itself	1
	38

(Write in Response from Question 22)

Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****Powder Mill Rd****Qty of Responses**

202, all major back roads in which smaller roads branch off of. For example Vining Hill Road, Granville Road, Longyard Road, Powder Mill Road....

1

Berkshire Sheep pasture Powder Mill

1

College Highway Depot Street Feeding Hills Road Point Grove Road Powder Mill Road

1

College Highway, Granville Road, Powder Mill Road

1

Deer run-sidewalks needed, mocking bird lane-sidewalks needed, South Longyard Rd.-sidewalks and needed, Powder Mill Rd. (from Fern Wood Rd. to Depot St)-sidewalks/bike lane needed

1

Extend sidewalk on Powder Mill Rd. to get to the intersection with Depot St. and bike trail.

Create parking for bike trail on Sam West Road.

1

Feeding Hills Rd Point Grove Rd Powder Mill RD College Hwy

1

From the Depot St. Bike Trail to Whalley Park

1

Miller Depot Powder Mill Hudson Drive

1

near Whalley Park

1

Near Whalley Park from all directions

1

Need parking for Rail Trail access. Suggestions on Sam West Road and the Powder Mill Road/Depot Street intersection. Need sidewalks along Powder Mill Road to connect downtown and Rail Trail to Whalley Park and School campus.

1

Point Grove Road Powder Mill Road

1

Powder Mill Rd.

1

Powder Mill Rd.

1

Powder Mill Rd.

1

Powder Mill Rd.

1

Powder Mill Road -sidewalks

1

Powder Mill Road, Depot St. western portion

1

Powder Mill Road, Route 57

1

Powder Mill Road and Route 57 would benefit from additional parking and sidewalks, especially to get from the schools to Wally Park

1

S Longyard Rd. (between Woodland Ridge and Powder Mill), Powder Mill (from S Longyard to the Whalley Park)

1

S Longyard Rd. Powder Mill Rd

1

Section of Powder Mill Rd. that is missing sidewalks

1

Sidewalk/crosswalk from center to Whalley Park. Parking at every rail trail intersection.

More crosswalks in center of town.

1

Powder Mill Rd	Qty of Responses
Sidewalks along South Longyard and Powder Mill down to the intersection with the bike path. Better parking for the bike path near the schools/farm and at the intersection with Powder Mill/S. Longyard/Depot St. Bike lane access on busy roads that connect to the bike path.	1
Sidewalks College Hwy south, Powder Mill Rd. Bike parking on Depot or Feeding Hills Rd.	1
Sidewalks on Powder Mill Rd. especially near Whalley Park. Full length of road.	1
Sidewalks on Powder Mill Rd to get to Whalley Park	1
Sidewalks should be added to all roads with public businesses or spaces. For example, Powder Mill Road lacks sidewalks by Whalley Park and the old baseball fields. A sidewalk running the length of the street would make the two parks more accessible via walking for the people living nearby. In terms of parking, Southwick already has plenty of parking for its major business areas. The majority of it goes unused and is a waste of space most of the time (the only lot I ever see full is the Summer House's parking lot). My only suggestion would be to make further parking behind businesses as opposed to in front of them, as parking lots in front of businesses creates an ugly view. Think of Westfield's downtown for a great example of how to do parking- lots are behind the businesses, keeping cars from blocking storefronts and creating a much nicer-looking area.	1
South Longyard Powder Mill Foster	1
Western portion of Depot Street sidewalk Powder Mill Road sidewalk and rail trail parking	1
Whalley Park Powder Mill Rd	1
Whalley Park The Wick if motocross continues	1
Whalley Park, College Highway south	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

Feeding Hills Rd	Qty of Responses
10 202 57	1
57 going up to Granville needs sidewalks. Not just by the lower area near town, which already has sidewalks. More sidewalks going from 57 into Agawam. Major roadways with lots of traffic should have sidewalks.	1
All of Route 57 - sidewalks All of 10&202 - southbound sidewalks Parking at rail trail Route 57 crossing Some type of parking at Depot St rail trail although space is minimal More public parking for access to lakes by town residents	1
All of Rt. 57 and Rt. 202 should have sidewalks	1
Along college highway from Big Y to the center of town by the Inn and along South Longyard Rd. and from the center of town out towards Moolicious and Calabrese Farms	1
Along Routes 10 and 57	1
both sides of Feeding Hills Rd., both sides of College Highway the whole length, Point Grove Rd.	1
College Hwy, Feeding Hills Rd., Granville Rd.	1
College Highway 10/202 Feeding Hills Road & Granville Road Route 57	1
College Highway Depot Street Feeding Hills Road Point Grove Road Powder Mill Road	1
College highway from IBS to the cemetery. Depot Street from center to rail trail. Sidewalk is bad right now from center to Depot Court. 57 center to library. Nice to have sidewalk from Depot at to OLL church.	1
College Highway Route 57	1
College Highway, Rte. 57	1
Down Feeding Hills Road past Crepes and towards Agawam	1
East beyond the library on 57	1
Extend the sidewalk that ends at the Teahouse all the way to Moolicious	1
Feeding Hills Rd Point Grove Rd Powder Mill Rd College Hwy	1
Feeding Hills Rd, Sheep Pasture Rd, College Highway-Klaus Anderson-Rte. 10	1
Feeding Hills Road past Crepes Teahouse so walking access to the schools and town is available.	1
Feeding Hills Road, Point Grove Road	1
From Rising Corner into Town 202 from Big Y to Westfield line Route 57 from Agawam line to Town	1
Hillside Road (Bike lanes, sidewalks(College Highway (bike lane) Rte 57 (bike lane)	1

Feeding Hills Rd	Qty of Responses
Of course I would love the sidewalks on 57 to go up to Matthews Road. I could ride my bike to the bike trail, instead of driving my car to go ride my bike. If I move from Southwick, it would be to an area I could walk and bike to more areas.	1
On College Hwy and Southwick St. Rt 57	1
Point Grove Rd, Feeding Hills Rd	1
Powder Mill Road, Route 57	1
Powder Mill Road and Route 57 would benefit from additional parking and sidewalks, especially to get from the schools to Wally Park	1
Route 57 and 202 all the way through	1
Rt 168. Rt 57 Rts 10/202	1
Rt 57 Rt 10/202	1
Sidewalks and bike Rt 57 and South Longyard Road	1
Sidewalks on Route 57 towards Agawam	1
South Longyard Rd, Feeding Hills Rd, College Hwy	1
There should be public parking near the entrances to the bike trail. Sidewalks improved and extended along College Highway and 57.	1
	30

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****Granville Rd**

Qty of Responses

202, all major back roads in which smaller roads branch off of. For example Vining Hill Road, Granville Road, Longyard Road, Powder Mill Road....	1
57 going up to Granville needs sidewalks. Not just by the lower area need town, which already has sidewalks. More sidewalks going from 57 into Agawam. Major roadways with lots of traffic should have sidewalks.	1
Adjacent to bike paths, Coes Hill Road, Hillside Road, Hastings Road.(sidewalks/ bike paths) Granville Road.	1
All of Rt. 57 and rt. 202 should have sidewalks	1
Along routes 10 and 57	1
College Hwy, Feeding Hills Rd, Granville Rd	1
College Highway 10/202 Feeding Hills Road & Granville Road Route 57	1
College Highway Route 57	1
College Highway, Granville Road, Powder Mill Road	1
College Highway, Rte. 57	1
Granville Rd. sidewalks	1
I'm biased, I'd like to see the sidewalk extended and improved on Granville Road leading downtown mainly for my children's safety. More easy access to the rail trail would be great too. (Point Grove Road, down on 57 by the schools, over by the Police Station perhaps there should be parking and access near there or behind the Town Hall?)	1
Route 57 and 202 all the way through	1
Rt 168. Rt 57 Rts 10/202	1
Rt 57 Rt 10/202	1
Sidewalks needed badly on Granville Road, North Loomis Street, South Loomis Street, Vining Hill Road	1
Sidewalks on Granville Road, and parking at the rail train entrances.	1
Sidewalks on Hillside & Granville	1
There should be public parking near the entrances to the bike trail. Sidewalks improved and extended along College Highway and 57.	1
	25

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****Berkshire Ave**

Qty of Responses

Any commercial or residential development should include sidewalks and parking. Berkshire Ave. needs sidewalks.

1

Berkshire Ave

1

Berkshire Ave,

1

Berkshire Ave, Point Grove

1

Berkshire Ave, Sheep Pasture Rd

1

Berkshire Ave.

1

Berkshire Avenue and all lakeside roads

1

Berkshire Avenue needs sidewalks

1

Berkshire Sheep Pasture Powermill

1

College Highway - Berkshire Ave - sidewalks

1

Depot Road, Berkshire Ave, Congamond Road.

1

Having side walks on Berkshire would be cool. People drive kind of fast in some spots there. I'm sure there might be other areas of town too but this is the only one that would really affect me currently.

1

I live on Berkshire Ave. there are runners, dog walking and kids on bikes. I would LOVE a sidewalk.

Sidewalks down college highway would be great

1

On Berkshire Ave.

1

Point Grove Road and Berkshire Ave

1

Sheep Pasture Road area, Berkshire Ave, Summer Drive

1

Sidewalk on Berkshire Avenue

1

Sidewalks - Berkshire Ave - either side

1

sidewalks along Berkshire Ave

1

Sidewalks down by the heavy traffic areas of the lake of middle pond, if anything.

1

Sidewalks on Berkshire Ave, Point Grove Rd, Babbs Rd, and on the main roads around the lake I see many walkers and bikers at risk!

1

South Longyard North along yard Point Grove Sheep Pasture Berkshire Ave

1

South Longyard Berkshire Ave

1

The public parking could be improved at Middle Pond Implement Sidewalks along Berkshire and Point Grove Rd

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****Point Grove Rd**

Qty of Responses

Areas and streets around the lakes; Point Grove	1
Berkshire Ave, Point Grove	1
both sides of Feeding Hills Rd, both sides of College Highway the whole length, Point Grove Rd.	1
College Highway Depot Street Feeding Hills Road Point Grove Road Powder Mill Road	1
Feeding Hills Rd Point Grove Rd Powder Mill RD College Hwy	1
Feeding Hills Road, Point Grove Road	1
I'm biased, I'd like to see the sidewalk extended and improved on Granville Road leading downtown mainly for my children's safety. More easy access to the rail trail would be great too. (Point Grove Road, down on 57 by the schools, over by the Police Station perhaps there should be parking and access near there or behind the Town Hall?)	1
install side walks on Point Grove Road from area of Nora's leading to the center of town on the corner of Depot St (near Police station)	1
Point Grove Rd for sidewalks	1
Point grove rd. Sheep Pasture South Longyard	1
Point Grove Rd, Feeding Hills Rd	1
Point Grove Rd, Sheep Pasture Rd	1
Point Grove Road and Berkshire Ave	1
Point Grove Road needs sidewalks	1
Point Grove Road NEEDS sidewalks. Parking at additional rail trail entrances would be good.	1
Point Grove Road Powder Mill Road	1
Point Grove Road that passed through the Congamond Middle Pond where there is always high traffic coming to the lake, main road, and no sidewalks or crosswalks available. A path leading the Bike Path and sidewalk next to Oak & Keg/ Ale House area.	1
Sheep Pasture Rd and Point Grove Rd	1
Sheep Pasture Road and Point Grove Road	1
Side walks would be nice all along Point Grove to Sheep Pasture to Depot. It would make walking to shops/restaurants in 202 nice in warmer months. As well as also all along Sheep Pasture to Congamond where very nice sidewalks were installed down towards stores and restaurants at intersection of 202 and Congamond.	1
Sidewalks down by the heavy traffic areas of the lake of middle pond, if anything.	1

Point Grove Rd	Qty of Responses
Sidewalks on Berkshire Ave, Point Grove Rd, Babbs Rd, and on the main roads around the lake I see many walkers and bikers at risk!	1
South Longyard North Longyard Point Grove Sheep Pasture Berkshire Ave	1
The public parking could be improved at Middle Pond Implement Sidewalks along Berkshire and Point Grove Rd	1
	20

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****Sheep Pasture Rd****Qty of Responses**

Berkshire Ave, Sheep Pasture Rd	1
Feeding Hills Rd, Sheep Pasture Rd, College Highway-Klaus Anderson-Rte. 10	1
Point Grove Rd. Sheep Pasture South Longyard	1
Point Grove Rd, Sheep Pasture Rd	1
Sheep Pasture	1
Sheep Pasture	1
Sheep Pasture	1
Sheep Pasture Rd. and Point Grove Rd.	1
Sheep Pasture Rd.	1
Sheep Pasture Road and Point Grove Road	1
Sheep Pasture Road area, Berkshire Ave, Summer Drive	1
Sidewalks would be nice all along Point Grove to Sheep Pasture to Depot. It would make walking to shops/restaurants in 202 nice in warmer months. As well as also all along Sheep Pasture to Congamond where very nice sidewalks were installed down towards stores and restaurants at intersection of 202 and Congamond.	1
Sidewalks on Sheep Pasture Road.	1
South Longyard North Longyard Point Grove Sheep Pasture Berkshire Ave	1
Tannery, Sheep Pasture	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual Sidewalk Responses	
No Opinion	Qty of Responses
N/A	1
N/a	1
No idea	1
No idea, a sidewalk was just installed on Congamond Road and it is being used regularly.	1
no opinion	1
no opinion on the parking except for when we have parades and large events. I was hoping that the town look at repairing or repaving Point Grove from the town dock to the Suffield line, it's terrible. thanks for listening.	1
Not sure	1
not sure	1
Not sure exactly where bit it's needed	1
Unknown	1
Unknown	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****Add Bike Lanes**

Qty of Responses

At access points to the rail trail, and other public open spaces. expansion of the sidewalks to other locations where businesses exist or may be built.

1

BIKE PATH AND SIDEWALK ALONG COLLEGE HIGHWAY TO WESTFIELD FROM TANNERY ROAD

1

College Highway from IBS to the cemetery. Depot Street from center to rail trail. Sidewalk is bad right now from center to Depot Court. 57 center to library. Nice to have sidewalk from Depot at to OLL church.

1

College Highway Rail Trail

1

From the Depot St. Bike Trail to Whalley Park

1

Hillside Road, Coes Hill Road (if not sidewalks at least safer walking and biking lanes

1

Literally every street needs sidewalks, but N Loomis St, and Granville Road needs a bike lane
outer limits of town leading to center and bike trails and schools

1

1

Parking and side walks within good distance in all directions of bike trail

1

Point Grove Road that passed through the Congamond Middle Pond where there is always high traffic coming to the lake, main road, and no sidewalks or crosswalks available. A path leading the Bike Path and sidewalk next to Oak & Keg/ Ale House area.

1

Route 10/202 needs a bike lane

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual Sidewalk Responses	
Tannery Rd	Qty of Responses
End of Sam West road for rail trail parking accessibility. Rte. 57 across the highway of #45 farmers land. Acquire land, install fence to provide parking. Tannery road sidewalks	1
Sidewalks on Tannery Rd.	1
Tannery Mort Vining Loomis Any large road that leads from small residential areas into College Highway. Bike and walk access to the whole town should be #1 transportation priority	1
Tannery Rd. for sidewalks.	1
Tannery Rd Sam West Rd	1
Tannery Rd.	1
Tannery Road by Silvergrass Lane to connect College Highway and bike path	1
Tannery Road for bikers and walkers.	1
Tannery Road should have sidewalks.	1
Tannery, Sheep Pasture	1
	10

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

Near Lake

Qty of Responses

Areas and streets around the lakes; Point Grove	1
Berkshire Avenue and all lakeside roads	1
Increase walkways along the shore of North Pond and the Lakes in general. End the practice of stripping residential access and encouraging Million dollar Lakefront properties at the expense of long term residents.	1
Link downtown with higher density residential areas like the lake region or the large development by Foster/South Longyard, via sidewalks or bike paths.	1
Sidewalks - South Longyard to gain off street access to rail (bike) trail and the lakes	1
Sidewalks down by the heavy traffic areas of the lake of middle pond, if anything.	1
Sidewalks near the lakes	1
Sidewalks on Berkshire Ave, Point Grove Rd., Babbs Rd, and on the main roads around the lake I see many walkers and bikers at risk!	1
The Congamond lake area could use some walkable areas. It's all ugly parking lots.	1
Town Beach Sidewalks in and around McDonalds, Big Y area	1
	10

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.

Actual Sidewalk Responses**Hillside Rd**

Qty of Responses

Adjacent to bike paths, Coes Hill Road, Hillside Road, Hastings Road.(sidewalks/ bike paths)
Granville Road.

1

Hillside Road (Bike lanes, sidewalks (College Highway (bike lane) Rte 57 (bike lane)
Hillside Road!

1

1

Hillside Road, Coes Hill Road (if not sidewalks) at least safer walking and biking lanes

1

Sidewalks on Hillside & Granville

1

Sidewalks: South Longyard Hillside Foster Parking: Rte 57 bike trail entrance Powder Mill bike
trail entrance

1

Adjacent to bike paths, Coes Hill Road, Hillside Road, Hastings Road. (sidewalks/ bike paths)
Granville Road.

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****All Main Roads**

Qty of Responses

all main roads close to center of town

1

Main roads

1

Main roads

1

Main roads. Should have side walks. All neighborhoods.

1

sidewalks for any busy road seems within reason

1

Sidewalks should be in existence and connecting on downtown main streets.

1

Sidewalks would be appreciated on Southwick many "main" roads and Southwick's many heavily traveled residential roads, especially those roads that lead to Southwick's center, or Swk schools. Please limit and control the speeding traffic on Tannery Rd. It's being used by industrial traffic including semi-18 wheelers that speed by at 50+ mph, and fully loaded industrial dump trucks. It is a beautiful housing street. These industrial vehicles detract from the beauty of the neighborhood and cause unnecessary wear and tear on the road, and are extremely dangerous as they fly by driveways and kids on bikes.

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****Near Schools**

Qty of Responses

Business areas, college highway, and heading towards the schools.

1

Near schools

1

Need parking for Rail Trail access. Suggestions on Sam West Road and the Powder Mill Road/Depot Street intersection. Need sidewalks along Powder Mill Road to connect downtown and Rail Trail to Whalley Park and School campus.

1

outer limits of town leading to center and bike trails and schools

1

School area

1

Sidewalks with clear markings near all schools

1

Sidewalks would be appreciated on Southwick many "main" roads and Southwick's many heavily traveled residential roads, especially those roads that lead to Southwick's center, or Swk schools. Please limit and control the speeding traffic on Tannery Rd. It's being used by industrial traffic including semi-18 wheelers that speed by at 50+ mph, and fully loaded industrial dump trucks. It is a beautiful housing street. These industrial vehicles detract from the beauty of the neighborhood and cause unnecessary wear and tear on the road, and are extremely dangerous as they fly by driveways and kids on bikes.

1

South Longyard There should be sidewalks to all those homes within one mile of the schools, then we wouldn't need so many "almost empty" school buses.

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

Repair Existing Sidewalks

Qty of Responses

Depot Street (walking to bike trail) needs to be maintained. All summer long while walking daily, the sidewalks were encroached by overgrowth in an area the almost takes over the walking area

1

How about fixing those that are in poor condition?

1

Redo from Dunkin Donuts to Sunnyside to allow for through traffic to avoid local traffic. Create plaza entrances instead of single entrance for Coes Hill to Tractor supply

1

Remove existing telephone poles currently in the middle of sidewalks along College Highway

1

repair existing sidewalks and roads in neighborhoods

1

streets and sidewalks need repairing on Pine Knoll

1

We can't even afford to take care of the roads we have now. And installing the sidewalk on College Highway was a waste of money. No one ever uses it.

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual Sidewalk Responses	
Near Recreational Areas	Qty of Responses
Adjacent to bike paths, Coes Hill Road, Hillside Road, Hastings Road.(sidewalks/ bike paths) Granville Road.	1
At access points to the rail trail, and other public open spaces. expansion of the sidewalks to other locations where businesses exist or may be built.	1
Near the most heavily used public space areas.	1
North and South Loomis Streets. Getting very busy and nowhere to walk but the street. Anywhere near recreational areas so people can walk into them.	1
Of course I would love the sidewalks on 57 to go up to Matthews Road. I could ride my bike to the bike trail, instead of driving my car to go ride my bike. If I move from Southwick, it would be to an area I could walk and bike to more areas.	1
outer limits of town leading to center and bike trails and schools	1
Where ever you increase leisure activities.	1
	7

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual Sidewalk Responses	
Foster Rd	Qty of Responses
Sidewalks: South Longyard Hillside Foster Parking: Rt 57 bike trail entrance Powdermill bike trail entrance	1
South Longyard Foster Rd. College Hwy	1
South Longyard Foster	1
South Longyard Powder Mill Foster	1
South Longyard Road, Foster Road	1
	5

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual Sidewalk Responses	
South Loomis	Qty of Responses
North and South Loomis Streets. Getting very busy and nowhere to walk but the street. Anywhere near recreational areas so people can walk into them.	1
Sidewalks needed badly on Granville Road, North Loomis Street, South Loomis Street, Vining Hill Road	1
Sidewalks on College Highway (see above comment about accessible sidewalks), Klaus Anderson Rd., Vining Hill Rd., Pearl Brook, Noble Steed, Loomis St., Hillside. Rail trail parking at Powder Mill crossing on Feeding Hills, Depot St.	1
South Longyard Rd. North Longyard Rd. South and North Loomis	1
Tannery Mort Vining Loomis Any large road that leads from small residential areas into College Highway. Bike and walk access to the whole town should be #1 transportation priority	1
	5

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual Sidewalk Responses	
Any New Development	Qty of Responses
Any commercial or residential development should include sidewalks and parking. Berkshire Ave. needs sidewalks.	1
Any place where there is new development.	1
Main roads. Should have side walks. All neighborhoods.	1
Sidewalks should be a part of new subdivisions.	1
South Longyard Road any new residential development	1
	5

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses****All Streets**

Qty of Responses

Literally every street needs sidewalks, but N Loomis St, and Granville Road needs a bike lane

1

Parking: Murphy's, farm stands, Brewery Sidewalks: any road without sidewalks currently, especially residential

1

Sidewalks everywhere

1

sidewalks for any busy road seems within reason

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

Coes Hill Rd

Qty of Responses

Coes Hill Road

1

Coes hill Rd. needs sidewalks. Road is VERY dangerous to walk on

1

Hillside Road, Coes Hill Road (if not sidewalks at least safer walking and biking lanes

1

Sidewalks: Coes Hill Rd

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

Near Business only

Qty of Responses

Any commercial or residential development should include sidewalks and parking. Berkshire Ave. needs sidewalks.

1

At access points to the rail trail, and other public open spaces. expansion of the sidewalks to other locations where businesses exist or may be built.

1

Business areas, College Highway, and heading towards the schools.

1

Public parking and/or sidewalks are only needed where there is a commercial/business district. Without encouraging business development the conversation seems pointless.

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

North Loomis

Qty of Responses

North and South Loomis Streets. Getting very busy and nowhere to walk but the street. Anywhere near recreational areas so people can walk into them.

1

Sidewalks needed badly on Granville Road, North Loomis Street, South Loomis Street, Vining Hill Road

1

South Longyard Rd. North Longyard Rd. South and North Loomis

1

Tannery Mort Vining Loomis Any large road that leads from small residential areas into college highway. Bike and walk access to the whole town should be #1 transportation priority

1

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Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

Vining Hill Rd	Qty of Responses
202, all major back roads in which smaller roads branch off of. For example Vining Hill Road, Granville Road, Longyard Road, Powder Mill Road....	1
Sidewalks needed badly on Granville Road, North Loomis Street, South Loomis Street, Vining Hill Road	1
Sidewalks on College Highway (see above comment about accessible sidewalks), Klaus Anderson Rd., Vining Hill Rd., Pearl Brook, Noble Steed, Loomis St., Hillside. Rail trail parking at Powder Mill crossing on Feeding Hills, Depot St.	1
Vining Hill Road	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

Downtown

Qty of Responses

all main roads close to center of town

1

Along the section of 202/57 between Southwick Inn & Mobil Station crosswalks

1

If town center were improved with restaurants and retail, improved walkways/parking would be needed.

1

outer limits of town leading to center and bike trails and schools

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual Sidewalk Responses	
Sam West Road	Qty of Responses
Sam West Road	1
SAM WEST ROAD	1
Sidewalk on Sam West to bike path	1
Tannery Rd Sam West Rd	1
	4

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

Klaus Anderson Rd

Qty of Responses

Feeding Hills Rd, Sheep Pasture Rd, College Highway-Klaus Anderson-Rte. 10

1

Sidewalks on College Highway (see above comment about accessible sidewalks), Klaus Anderson Rd., Vining Hill Rd., Pearl Brook, Noble Steed, Loomis St., Hillside. Rail trail parking at Powder Mill crossing on Feeding Hills, Depot St.

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

Matthews Rd

Qty of Responses

Matthews Road from Buckingham Drive to Patriots Way

1

Sidewalks on Matthews Road

1

2

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

Mort Vining Rd

Qty of Responses

Sidewalks on Mort Vining

1

Tannery Mort Vining Loomis. Any large road that leads from small residential areas into College Highway. Bike and walk access to the whole town should be #1 transportation priority

1

2

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Actual **Sidewalk Responses**

North Longyard Rd

Qty of Responses

N longyard Rd, Way over due

1

South Longyard Rd North Longyard Rd South and North Loomis

1

2

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where **sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual Sidewalk Responses	
All Other	Qty of Responses
Adjacent to bike paths, Coes Hill Road, Hillside Road, Hastings Road.(sidewalks/ bike paths) Granville Road.	1
Birchwood, Pinewood Rd, Fernwood Rd	1
Bugbee Road	1
Deer run-sidewalks needed, Mockingbird Lane-sidewalks needed, South Longyard Rd.-sidewalks and needed, Powder Mill Rd. (from Fernwood Rd. to Depot St)-sidewalks/bike lane needed	1
Ed Holcomb road	1
Miller Depot Powder Mill Hudson Drive	1
Sheep Pasture Road area, Berkshire Ave, Summer Drive	1
Sidewalks on College Highway (see above comment about accessible sidewalks), Klaus Anderson Rd., Vining Hill Rd., Pearl Brook, Noble Steed, Loomis St., Hillside. Rail trail parking at Powder Mill crossing on Feeding Hills, Depot St.	1
South Longyard from rail trail to at least North Pond Rd.	1
Will Palmer	1
Add sidewalks on Route 202 from Rt 57 intersection to Westfield border. Also on Sunnyside Rd	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Summary of Parking Responses		
Category	Qty of Responses	% of Total
All Rail Trail Access Points	74	30.1
None / Not Needed	38	15.4
Near Lakes / Boat Launch / Town Beach	30	12.2
Depot St./S. Longyard Rd./Powdermill Rd. Rail Trail Crossing	23	9.3
Downtown	17	6.9
No Opinion / Not Sure	12	4.9
Feeding Hills Road Rail Trail Crossing	11	4.5
North Pond Property / Wildlife Preserve	7	2.8
Hiking Trail Heads / Recreation Areas (non-Rail Trail)	6	2.4
Point Grove Road Rail Trail Crossing	6	2.4
Miller Road Rail Trail Crossing	5	2.0
Congamond Road AND Rail Trail	4	1.6
Near Schools	4	1.6
Sam West Road Rail Trail	3	1.2
Business District	3	1.2
Other qty of 1	3	1.2
	246	100.0

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Parking Responses****Rail Trail**

Qty of Responses

.west side of rail trail	1
Additional parking where the rail trail crosses the road.	1
additional parking/access to bike trail	1
Adjacent to bike paths, Coes Hill Road, Hillside Road, Hastings Road.(sidewalks/ bike paths) Granville Road.	1
Along the bike trail	1
Along the bike trail for easier access for residents.	1
Along the rail-trails / we also do not seem to have an established "town center" ~ seems to be evolving and developing in all directions.	1
Anywhere there is access to the bike path should be parking for the patrons, as well as the areas that are assigned for hiking	1
Areas near rail trail, Congamond lakes	1
around the lake and rail trail.	1
At access points to the rail trail, and other public open spaces. expansion of the sidewalks to other locations where businesses exist or may be built.	1
At all entrances/ exits of the rail trail	1
At all rail trail entrances.	1
At rail trail areas	1
Bike lanes needed on South Longyard and Rt. 57 from Foster Road to Bike Path.	
Parking needed at Bike Path access points.	1
Bike path access	1
Bike path access points	1
Bike path locations need additional parking and also by lake for nonboating recreation e.g. paddleboard	1
Bike trail	1
Bike trail	1
Bike trail access, public lake access, hiking trails?,	1
Bike Trail, Lake	1
By rail trail entrances.	1
By Rail Trail; By Congamond	1
College Highway Rail Trail	1

Rail Trail	Qty of Responses
College Highway, center of town, public parking on both sides of the street. Adjacent or close to bike trail access areas	1
Congamond lake area, by town hall, bike path access areas	1
for bike path access	1
if you are going to have a rail trail you need to have public parking, porta johns & Police coverage	1
Lake and bike trail area	1
More parking by the rail trail and parking to access the lake	1
Near areas with bike and walking trails.	1
Near bike paths	1
Near lakes and around rail trail.	1
Near Rail Trail entrances South Longyard Rd (lots of bike through traffic & to rail trail)	1
Near/access the rail trail.	1
Parking and side walks within good distance in all directions of bike trail	1
Parking areas for bike trails.	1
Parking around Congamond, and rail trail	1
Parking by bike trail	1
Parking for bike path and lake	1
Parking in general for bike trails	1
Parking near bike trail Better sidewalks along Granville Rd	1
Point grove road NEEDS sidewalks. Parking at additional rail trail entrances would be good.	1
public parking at rail trail and other open-space recreational areas.	1
Rail Trail	1
Rail trail	1
Rail trail access	1
Rail trail access areas	1
Rail trail access points, lake use access points	1
Rail trail additional parking Sheep Pasture Road. Additional parking @town beach	1
rail trail and Town Beaches and boat accesses	1
Rail trail entrances.	1
Rail trail North Pond entrance	1
Rail trail parking	1
Rail trail parking	1
Rail trail parking, boat launches	1

Rail Trail	Qty of Responses
Rail Trail parking, North Pond recreational area - something needs to be done. People are parking along the area streets and creating issues. Also, signs should be posted on North Pond Road starting there isn't lake access. That whole area is in need of some clear signage in regards to parking and land use rules.	1
Rail Trail public parking @ Depot Street, close by to police station. Family/kids on bicycles/stroller-friendly rail trail access point.	1
Rail trail, boat launch	1
Rail trail/bike trail - especially near Feeding Hills Road	1
Schools, Parks, Granville Gorge, Rail Trail	1
Sidewalk/crosswalk from center to Whalley Park. Parking at every rail trail intersection. More crosswalks in center of town.	1
Sidewalks on Granville Road, and parking at the rail train entrances.	1
The bike trail should have better parking. South Longyard either needs sidewalks or a bike lane due to bicyclists clogging the roads.	1
There should be public parking near the entrances to the bike trail. Sidewalks improved and extended along College Highway and 57.	1
Where rail trail crosses roads.	1
Where rail trail crosses streets.	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.

Actual Parking Responses	
None	Qty of Responses
Can't think of any that need it and don't have it. Could use better rules for snow removal, especially along 10/202 from Tractor supply to the Depot St light.	1
Concentration and emphasis on the retention rural character precludes this need.	1
Don't have many sidewalks all these years so not very important	1
Expansion is not currently necessary unless the town is going to encourage business. If the town were to attempt to build some sort of culture and be supportive of local storefronts similar to that of Simsbury the area would need to facilitate the location these business chose for their storefronts and restaurants.	1
Get creative - it is certainly reasonable to create coexisting safe pedestrian access, and parking areas everywhere there is a need. Re-evaluate frequently.	1
Have a bike trail and sidewalks we don't need anymore. Where it's important to walk, they're already there.	1
I am unable to do so right now due to not knowing what developments will take place in the future. I feel the situation is fine now.	1
I can't think of any	1
I don't believe we need to add either anywhere	1
I feel like there are plenty of places to park whether it be for the lake or for the bike trail.	1
If the is no cluster housing then we will not have a problem.	1
It's fine the way it is, let's keep it a small town.	1
Keep Southwick a small rural town!	1
Minimizing development, improving conservation of resources and enjoying the good qualities of Southwick are simply not consistent with significant expansions of parking and new roads.	1
No where	1
None	1
None	1

None	Qty of Responses
None	1
None	1
none	1
none	1
None	1
None	1
None	1
None	1
None	1
none	1
None	1
None	1
None	1
None- we barely see people using the sidewalks & parking we currently have-	1
none, repair/replace existing to be sustainable.	1
None.	1
NONE Since the new parking lot was put on south Longyard for the Kings Beach area it has become a place that's packed with mostly teenagers from other towns using the rope swing and tree and in turn when we (who went to ever meeting to save the land) cannot use that area while on boat or to walk our dogs as there is usually no parking so no we didn't need that lot and the more lots on our land the more other towns with use and abuse what we enjoy	1
not necessary	1
Sidewalks exist in some crazy places where they are never used because the roads are lightly traveled at low speeds (Gloria Drive for example), yet on cut-through roads where drivers travel fast, there are no sidewalks (Fred Jackson, Bugbee, Kline). Adding sidewalks adds another asset that the town would need to repair when they are not even funded well enough to keep up with repairing and rebuilding our roads.	1
The town has done a great job with sidewalks around the schools and College Highway. Where else are they possibly needed?	1
We will know, when the need presents itself	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Parking Responses****Lake and Town Beach Parking**

Qty of Responses

All of Route 57 - sidewalks All of 10&202 - southbound sidewalks Parking at rail trail
Route 57 crossing Some type of parking at Depot St rail trail although space is
minimal More public parking for access to lakes by town residents

1

Along rail trail and Point Grove Rd near boat ramp

1

Areas near rail trail, Congamond lakes

1

Around the lake

1

around the lake and rail trail.

1

Bike path locations need additional parking and also by lake for nonboating
recreation e.g. paddleboard

1

Bike trail access, public lake access, hiking trails?,

1

Bike Trail, Lake

1

Boat ramp areas

1

Congamond lake area, by town hall, bike path access areas

1

Congamond lakes

1

Hastings Rd at 57 where everyone goes sledding/ tubing. 57 by the rail trail where
the field owner closed off access. Resident Only beach access.

1

Lake-front areas

1

Lakes

1

Lakeside

1

More parking by the rail trail and parking to access the lake

1

More parking by town beach and Crabby Joes

1

Near lakes and around rail trail.

1

Parking around Congamond, and rail trail

1

Parking for bike path and lake

1

Rail trail access points, lake use access points

1

Rail trail additional parking Sheep Pasture Road. Additional parking @town beach

1

rail trail and Town Beaches and boat accesses

1

Rail trail parking, boat launches

1

Rail trail, boat launch

1

Schools. Parking for the lakes. Restaurants

1

Sidewalks along college highway south of town hall. Parking around lakes.

1

The lakes

1

Actual Parking Responses	
Lake parking and Town Beach Parking	Qty of Responses
Town Center and lakes	1
Town Green; North Pond; Saunders Marina	1
Town Green; North Pond; Saunders Marina	1
	30

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual Parking Responses	
Depot, Powder Mill and S Longyard	Qty of Responses
1.intersection of Depot and S Longyard at Rail Trail	1
4-6 parking spaces Depot St Longyard intersection	1
All of Route 57 - sidewalks All of 10&202 - southbound sidewalks Parking at rail trail Route 57 crossing Some type of parking at Depot St rail trail although space is minimal More public parking for access to lakes by town residents	1
bike trail access on Feeding Hills Road, Depot / Powder Mill, Sheep Pasture and Miller	1
Depot	1
Depot Road, Berkshire Ave, Congamond Road.	1
Depot South Longyard	1
Depot St rail trail entrance Rail trail entrance to be added to Point Grove Road	1
Depot Street at Sout Longyard for the bike trail	1
Depot Street near bike trail	1
Depot Street,	1
Depot Street, Powder Mill Rd	1
Depot Street/South Longyard/Powder Mill Rd has "ad hoc" bike parking now. Not even sure it's legal but lots of us park there. The town could improve safety here.	1
Near Rail Trail entrances South Longyard Rd (lots of bike through traffic & to rail trail)	1
Need parking for Rail Trail access. Suggestions on Sam West Road and the Powder Mill Road/Depot Street intersection. Need sidewalks along Powder Mill Road to connect downtown and Rail Trail to Whalley Park and School campus.	1
Parking for rail trail near schools & near Depot/S. Longyard access points	1
Rail Trail parking for up to 6 cars on or close to Depot/S. Longyard	1
Rail Trail public parking @ Depot Street, close by to police station. Family/kids on bicycles/stroller-friendly rail trail access point.	1
Rails to trails bike path at the intersection of Depot, Powder Mill and South Longyard	1
Sidewalks along South Longyard and Powder Mill down to the intersection with the bike path. Better parking for the bike path near the schools/farm and at the intersection with Powder Mill/Longyard/Depot St. Bike lane access on busy roads that connect to the bike path.	1

Actual Parking Responses	
Depot, Powder Mill and S Longyard	Qty of Responses
Sidewalks College Hwy south, Powdermill Rd. Bike parking on depot or Feeding Hills Rd.	1
Sidewalks on College Highway (see above comment about accessible sidewalks), Klaus Anderson Rd., Vining Hill Rd., Pearl brook, Noble Steed, Loomis St., Hillside. Rail trail parking at Powder Mill crossing on Feeding Hills, Depot St.	1
Sidewalks: South Longyard Hillside Foster Parking: Rt 57 bike trail entrance Powdermill bike trail entrance	1
South Longyard and Depot St..need more parking	1
South Longyard	1
Western portion of Depot Street sidewalk Powder Mill road sidewalk and rail trail parking	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.

Actual Parking Responses

Downtown	Qty of Responses
Along the rail-trails / we also do not seem to have an established "town center" ~ seems to be evolving and developing in all directions.	1
College Highway, center of town, public parking on both sides of the street. Adjacent or close to bike trail access areas	1
Congamond lake area, by town hall, bike path access areas	1
Downtown	1
Downtown	1
Downtown	1
Downtown College Highway Area	1
I'd love to see "pull-up" parking (as opposed to parking lots in front of businesses, on the main street, that have been beautified to have store fronts with unified country charm like other small towns have.	1
If town center were improved with restaurants and retail, improved walkways/parking would be needed.	1
If we get more business on College Highway	1
Only downtown	1
parking center of town	1
Parking: Murphy's, farm stands, Brewery Sidewalks: any road without sidewalks currently, especially residential	1
Sidewalks should be added to all roads with public businesses or spaces. For example, Powder Mill Road lacks sidewalks by Whalley Park and the old baseball fields. A sidewalk running the length of the street would make the two parks more accessible via walking for the people living nearby. In terms of parking, Southwick already has plenty of parking for its major business areas. The majority of it goes unused and is a waste of space most of the time (the only lot I ever see full is the Summer House's parking lot). My only suggestion would be to make further parking behind businesses as opposed to in front of them, as parking lots in front of businesses creates an ugly view. Think of Westfield's downtown for a great example of how to do parking- lots are behind the businesses, keeping cars from blocking storefronts and creating a much nicer-looking area.	1
Town Center	1
Town Center and lakes	1
Town Green; North Pond; Saunders Marina	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.

Actual Parking Responses**No Opinion**

Qty of Responses

N/A	1
N/a	1
No idea	1
No idea, a sidewalk was just installed on Congamond Road and it is being used regularly.	1
no opinion	1
no opinion on the parking except for when we have parades and large events. I was hoping that the town look at repairing or repaving point grove from the town dock to the Suffield line, it's terrible. thanks for listening.	1
Not sure	1
not sure	1
Not sure exactly where bit it's needed	1
Unknown	1
Unknown	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Parking Responses****Feeding Hills Rd/Rail Trail**

Qty of Responses

All of Route 57 - sidewalks All of 10&202 - southbound sidewalks Parking at rail trail Route 57 crossing Some type of parking at Depot St rail trail although space is minimal More public parking for access to lakes by town residents	1
bike trail access on Feeding Hills Road, Depot / Powder Mill, Sheep Pasture and Miller	1
Feeding Hills Rd Point Grove Rd Powder Mill RD College Hwy	1
Parking for rail trail near schools & near Depot/S. Longyard access points	1
Parking for rail trail where it crosses rt. 57.	1
Powder Mill Road and Route 57 would benefit from additional parking and sidewalks, especially to get from the schools to Wally Park	1
Rail Trail at Feeding Hills Road Rail Trail at Point Grove Road	1
Rail trail/bike trail - especially near Feeding Hills Road	1
Sidewalks College Hwy south, Powdermill Rd. Bike parking on Depot or Feeding Hills Rd	1
Sidewalks on College Highway (see above comment about accessible sidewalks), Klaus Anderson Rd., Vining Hill Rd., Pearl Brook, Noble Steed, Loomis St., Hillside. Rail trail parking at Powder Mill crossing on Feeding Hills, Depot St.	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual Parking Responses	
North Pond/Wildlife Areas	Qty of Responses
North pond MX-338	1
North pond preservation parking and rules need to be figured out.	1
North Pond recreational area	1
Rail trail North Pond entrance	1
Rail Trail parking, North Pond recreational area - something needs to be done. People are parking along the area streets and creating issues. Also, signs should be posted on North Pond Road starting there isn't lake access. That whole area is in need of some clear signage in regards to parking and land use rules.	1
Town Green; North Pond; Saunders Marina	1
Wildlife Sanctuary on South Longyard needs a bigger parking lot.	1
Town Green; North Pond; Saunders Marina	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Parking Responses**

Start of Hiking Trails

Qty of Responses

Additional parking anywhere along the Walking trail.

1

Anywhere there is access to the bike path should be parking for the patrons, as well as the areas that are assigned for hiking

1

Bike trail access, public lake access, hiking trails?,

1

Near areas with bike and walking trails.

1

public parking at rail trail and other open-space recreational areas.

1

Schools, Parks, Granville Gorge, Rail Trail

1

Trail heads

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.

Actual Parking Responses	
Point Grove Rd and Rail Trail	Qty of Responses
Along rail trail and Point Grove Rd near boat ramp	1
Depot St rail trail entrance Rail trail entrance to be added to Point Grove Road	1
Feeding Hills Rd Point Grove Rd Powder Mill RD College Hwy	1
paved parking expansion on the backside of the rail trail restaurant, with paved access to the bike trail	1
Point Grove all the way down to the bike trail. If the bike trail can't be accessed from the Rail Ale House due to private property issues then there needs to be safe walk/ jog/ bike paths to get to a opening of the bike trail.	1
Rail Trail at Feeding Hills Road Rail Trail at Point Grove Road	1
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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Parking Responses**

Miller Rd and Rail Trail

Qty of Responses

Additional parking capacity at Miller Road Rail Trail area.

1

bike trail access on Feeding Hills Road, Depot / Powder Mill, Sheep Pasture and Miller

1

Miller Rd rail trail parking

1

Miller Road for Bike Trail

1

Miller Road rail trail parking. A parking lot is needed.

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Parking Responses**

Congamond Rd and Rail Trail

Qty of Responses

By Rail Trail; By Congamond

1

Congamond road for parking,

1

Depot Road, Berkshire Ave, Congamond Road.

1

Lake and bike trail area

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Parking Responses**

Near Schools

Qty of Responses

Parking for rail trail near schools & near Depot/S. Longyard access points

1

Schools, Parks, Granville Gorge, Rail Trail

1

Sidewalks along South Longyard and Powder Mill down to the intersection with the bike path. Better parking for the bike path near the schools/farm and at the intersection with Powder Mill/Longyard/Depot St. Bike lane access on busy roads that connect to the bike path.

1

The schools could use better parking

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.

Actual Parking Responses

Sam West and Rail Trail

Qty of Responses

End of Sam West Road for rail trail parking accessibility. Rte. 57 across the highway of #45 farmers land. Acquire land, install fence to provide parking. Tannery Road sidewalks

1

Extend sidewalk on Powder Mill Rd. to get to the intersection with Depot St. and bike trail. Create parking for bike trail on Sam West Road.

1

Need parking for Rail Trail access. Suggestions on Sam West Road and the Powder Mill Road/Depot Street intersection. Need sidewalks along Powder Mill Road to connect downtown and Rail Trail to Whalley Park and School campus.

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Parking Responses**

Business District

Qty of Responses

Depending where new businesses would be located, access via sidewalks and bike paths from surrounding areas so people could safely travel. Also any businesses that would benefit from parking and safe travel.

1

Public parking and/or sidewalks are only needed where there is a commercial/business district. With out encouraging business development the conversation seems pointless.

1

Schools. Parking for the lakes. Restaurants

1

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Q. 22 List streets and/or parts of town where sidewalks and additional **parking capacity should be installed or extended over the next 20 years.**

Actual **Parking Responses**

All Other

Qty of Responses

Whalley Park has had many popular events where the vehicles have exceeded the existing parking.

1

The 3 "business centers" - Gillette Corner, Center of Town/Cong Church, Gristmill Plaza and possibly library/schools campus

1

BIKE PATH AND SIDEWALK ALONG COLLEGE HIGHWAY TO WESTFIELD FROM TANNERY ROAD

1

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(Non-Write-in Responses from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Summary of Responses Below						
Category	Satisfied	Unsatisfied	Neutral	Do not Use	No Response	Total Responses
Police	701	62	107	30	30	930
Fire	681	45	122	50	50	948
Ambulance/EMT	644	44	121	90	90	989
Roadway Maintenance	373	397	127	1	1	899
Plowing	665	106	118	10	10	909
Water Systems	305	234	169	187	187	1082
Sewer Systems	182	130	191	386	386	1275
Transfer Station / Dump	579	100	124	96	96	995
Senior Services	220	39	172	465	465	1361
Board of Health Services	187	67	260	378	378	1270
	4537	1224	1511	1693	1693	10658
Somewhat Satisfied and Very Satisfied have been combined into "Satisfied" and Extremely Unsatisfied and Somewhat Unsatisfied have combined into "Not Satisfied"						

(Write in Response from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Summary of Write-in Responses									
Category	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Do Not Use	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Town Administration	1	0	0	1	7	0	9	8	1
Recreation Center	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	2	0
Parks and Recreation	2	1		2	0	0	5	2	3
Other	3	1	0	0	2	0	6	2	4
Select Board	7	1	1	0	1	1	11	1	8
Congamond	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	1
Water issues	3	0	0	0	1	0	4	1	3
Police issues	4	0	0	0	1	0	5	1	4
Schools	2	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
Transfer/Water issues	3	2	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
DPW	2	1	1	0	0	0	4	0	3
Fire Dept issues	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Fiber/internet	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	31	9	2	3	15	1	61	18	40

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Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
Town Administration	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Town clerks	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
Town hall administrators	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Town hall clerks	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Service at the clerks office has changed for the better!	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Town of Southwick communication in general	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Public notification of important upcoming meetings	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Admin office	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Bill Pay Online	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Southwick town hall	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
	1	0	0	1	7	9	8	1

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Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
Recreation Center	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Southwick rec center	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Rec center	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	0

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Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
Parks and Recreation	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Parks & Recreation	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Planning board	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Park & Rec	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Rail trail	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
Recreational department	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
	2	1		2	0	5	2	3

(Write in Response from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
Other	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Golf cart lanes	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Library	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Building Dept.	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Animal Control	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Fiber/Cable	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	2
	3	1	0	0	2	6	2	4

(Write in Response from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses									
Select Board/Gov't	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Do Not Use	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Select Board	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Selectman	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
government	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
select board	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Town government	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Southwick town hall	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
The officials that wanted Carvana	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Officials that want development of land-commercial or residential	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Public notification of important upcoming meetings	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Don't allow business to use large amounts of water from the public aquifer								0	0
Natural Gas - available to all	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Some kind of medical facility - walk-in/urgent care/and not being funny - a 24hr emergency veterinary service could be useful for farm and domestic animals.	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
More money to improve Roads!!!!	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
	7	1	1	0	1	1	11	1	8

(Write in Response from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
Congamond	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Lake patrol	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Lake use for boaters on North Pond to use land to dock boat and enjoy	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
lake police	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	1

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Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Water Issues								
Water Restrictions	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Water ban	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Water department	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Don't allow business to use large amounts of water from the public aquifer	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
	3	0	0	0	1	4	1	3

(Write in Response from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Police Issues								
Traffic control	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Police	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Communication, I don't see much when it comes to fire/police calls	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Lake patrol	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
lake police	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	4	0	0	0	1	5	1	4

(Write in Response from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
Schools	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
School system	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Schools	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	2
Education	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	2	2	0	0	0	4	0	4

(Write in Response from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Transfer/Trash Pickup								
Trash options/electric options	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Trash- dump should be free or offer pick up	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
We need rubbish pickup. And large item pickup at least once a year	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Recycling	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Recycling / Composting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dump hours	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
It's time to have town wide trash pick up services in Southwick!! Our options to whom we have are HORRIBLE at best!!	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	3	2	0	0	0	5	0	5

(Write in Response from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
DPW	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Road paving/potholes	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Sidewalks, crosswalks and bike lanes	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Maintain the grass near Pearl Brook corner or Vining Hill. Also, can't see down Vining Hill where curve is without a mirror there.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
More money to improve Roads!!!!	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
We have received horrible plowing on Southwick Hill last winter we were unable to receive mail until we plowed ourselves ...we have markers up for our street edge and left 8 ft of snow in front	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	2	1	1	0	0	4	0	3

(Write in Response from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Fire Dept								
Communication, I don't see much when it comes to fire/police calls	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Fire department is a joke	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2

(Write in Response from Question 23)

Q. 23 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Responses								
Fiber/Cable	Extremely Unsatisfied	Somewhat Unsatisfied	Neutral	Somewhat Satisfied	Extremely Satisfied	Total Responses	Satisfied	Unsatisfied
Comcast	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
Internet options	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	2

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.**Summary of Responses Below**

	Qty of Responses	% of Total
Road conditions	100	17.8
Good job/no complaints	82	14.6
How I feel/personal experience	63	11.2
Need sewer and/or water expansion	37	6.6
Transfer Station hours/policies	34	6.0
Water quality	22	3.9
Water supply issues	21	3.7
Water bans	21	3.7
Don't use/don't know enough to rate	18	3.2
Taxes/Fees	17	3.0
Snowplowing	16	2.8
Police issues	14	2.5
Need municipal curbside trash pickup	12	2.1
Select Board issues	12	2.1
BOH issues	11	2.0
Losing small town feeling	8	1.4
Town staffing	8	1.4
Recreation	7	1.2
Growth issues	7	1.2
Speeding traffic	6	1.1
Need full-time emergency response crews	6	1.1
Westfield dispatch	6	1.1
Other	6	1.1
Slow emergency response	4	0.7
Schools	4	0.7
DPW	4	0.7
Senior services	4	0.7
Congamond	3	0.5
Fire Dept	3	0.5
Park maintenance	2	0.4
Recreation Center	2	0.4
Fiber	2	0.4
Total # of responses =	562	100.0

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Roads	Qty of Responses
57 plowing tears up the road every single year. Being in my home feels like being on a washboard because of the potholes. When the potholes are filled it's uneven bumpy roads that are just as bad.	1
Concerned about safety of drinking water, roads are terrible. But appreciate the police, fire, ambulance/EMT	1
Crack filling is useless and a waste of money. There are multiple dirt roads still in town.	1
DPW improvements always need updates for roads and infrastructure maintenance	1
Ed Holcomb Rd. is a mess. Town keeps patching it which does not last. Needs to be repaved.	1
Emergency response is critical and A+ - though very discouraged that dispatch is now out of Westfield. I believe our DPW needs a course on proper tar/pot hole maintenance.	1
EMT drivers almost ran me off the road and turned on their siren within 5 feet of me riding a bike on Loomis Road. As a hearing impaired teacher for 30+ years, I do not appreciate being next to a siren at 110 - 120 db. next to my ear. Loomis Road is in horrible condition and never improves.	1
Even the roads resurfaced last year in my neighborhood were done cheaply and poorly. The water restrictions as early as May are unacceptable. Renegotiate the terms until they are adopted for all Western Mass towns.	1
For the amount we pay in taxes, some of Southwick roads are terrible and have been for years - need to prioritize	1
hate to repeat myself but point grove needs help. its one of the most traveled from CT with the boat traffic to the town dock and the road is torn up, my tires and tired. lol I love the town of Southwick services, how many people can pay their taxes, go grocery shopping and dump their trash in the same trip out on the same road.	1
Haven't had to use police fire or EMTs but heard their great. Some roads need repair especially robin rd. On septic not sewer, had the privilege on being a BOH member for over 15 years. Used senior center services several times and they were very helpful.	1
I always feel there needs to be improvement on infrastructure and services as growth is inevitable for any town and the town has to keep up with maintenance	1
I am fortunate to have not needed Police, Fire or EMT services. Our roads need some TLC, so this makes plowing a challenge - we have damage every spring.	1

Roads	Qty of Responses
I believe the general condition of our town roads have deteriorated over the last ten years. I would be willing to pay a higher tax rate to have well maintained roads in Southwick. I think we should have more, wider and better maintained provisions for Southwick to be pedestrian and bicyclist friendly.	1
I have lived here long enough to watch the development and I have seen things that make no sense. The road I have lived on for 20 years has never been repaired. Although putting down tar & asphalt in the middle of a downpour makes so much sense!	1
I have used/interacted with police and fire, and found them very satisfactory. Road maintenance is good, but more roads could be repaved which of course costs money. Would like more recycling options at transfer station, especially Styrofoam. I don't really use senior/board of health services.	1
I received several notices the water is contaminated. To put in a well its 30k or I can filter the tap water for a little less money. The main road coming in from CT past the lake is full of potholes.	1
I think town employees are very helpful. I think we need to spend money on maintaining our roads. Lots of cracks that lead to pot holes.	1
It's Massachusetts roads, I don't think they'll ever be good. Plowing is really good in some parts of town but lacking in others. Fire and EMT have both been top notch as long as I've been in town. Police are usually pretty good but some have a tendency to go on power trips.	1
long term plans for hardier constructed roads should be in the plan. I understand this is NE and roads are impacted across the region but spend the money to build great roads and we'll have to spend less to maintain them long term. As to the water issue, continue to pressure the state to change our calculation	1
Maintenance of our roads is top notch! However, when my road was re-done the conditions during the process were horrible, and it took WAY TOO LONG!!	1
Many roads have not been paved for years: patches on top of patches: terrible. Open burning occurs with little consequence when it is reported. The house at 16 Fenton Drive burned to the ground a few years ago.	1
Mattresses have been illegally dumped on my property, but nothing can be done. I would be interested in learning more about the cost / option if sewer lines were to be extended. Roadways and plowing are good.	1
MEADOW LANE MUST BE REPAVED. IT'S OVER THIRTY YEARS OLD. THE ROAD IS DEPLORABLE FOR SUCH A NICE NEIGHBORHOOD WITH NICE HOUSES. WE LIVED THERE FOR 24 YEARS, THEN WE MOVED TO SAWGRASS LANE.	1
Miller Road is in terrible conditions - all the town does is patch once a year. In the winter and spring, Miller Road is full of potholes and rough surfaces. I pay over \$8,000 a year in property taxes and have seen no improvement in 6 years. Road to transfer station is pitiful. Also, annual fee keeps going up every year, with no improvement in facility or service. Other services are adequate - not good enough to be ranked extremely satisfied.	1
More can be done for the roads. Need to be repaved. Need better hours with the dump. Seniors should have more housing and be affordable at the same time, due to lower incomes.	1
My street, Jered Lane is cracked, full of potholes, and the road is sinking in near the woods.	1

Roads	Qty of Responses
Need more full time employees in Fire and Ambulance Service. Roads require more maintenance and clearing.	1
No many potholes and vehicles that tailgate or speed	1
Not impressed by road maintenance - certain roads in town are in a sad state of repair.	1
On 57 there is a section of road between pioneer dairy and the high school that is always in bad condition. They patch and it always opens up.	1
Our residential roads need a lot of work.	1
Our roads are a disaster. Have had to call DPW and complain numerous times about the failure to address potholes. The responsiveness is a joke.	1
Our roads are in terrible shape and the select A15board does not prioritize proper repairs. This is NOT about DPW - they have a prioritized list of what should be done. This is about lack of funding.A16	1
Our roads need repair and continuing maintenance. They are in bad shape!	1
Our street and all it's potholes resembles the moon. Also our street sign has been wrong for 10+ years (Sumer Drive, Summer Ave). It's Summer Drive!	1
Police don't run radar or patrol route 57 by the bike trail. Motorcycles, commercial trucks passenger cars go as fast as they want. Sewer tax much to high on 2 family homes. Roads are deteriorating and hard to cross in the center of town.. Senior center behind the times	1
Police enforce only what select people want Road maintenance. Centerlines faded make it hard to drive at night. Transfer station Saw a similar size town's transfer station. Paper and cardboard goes in separate bins. Last stop involves leaving appliances requires screening. People working there are good. Just needs update.	1
police need to give more tickets out, roads in Southwick are severely neglected, transfer station costs way too much especially for seniors living on retirement	1
Police, fire, and Ambulance - I have very little interaction with them; the police department leadership seems to be political; roadways - unnecessary cutting of old, healthy trees. DPW: Utility wires should be moved underground and poles removed; snow removal is excellent - roads are much better than many area towns, but pothole repair seems to be ineffective; BOH - extremely poor response to COVID and unhelpful response to inquiries.	1
Poor road/lawn maintenance,	1
Potholes are tough around town.	1
Potholes need to be taken care of	1
Public Safety does a great job with the resources they have. Road in town are not up to par. And most of that is state highway Route 57 between Foster Road and Crepes Tea House, But some town roads as well like Fred Jackson to give an example.	1
Re: roadway maintenance, the DPW does the best it can with limited road maintenance funds. The state needs to provide more funding. For plowing, DPW does great. Some hired plows are better than others. The worst ones stay far from road edge. The transfer station fees have become higher than some other city's pick-up service.	1
Road maintenance could be better.	1
Road maintenance is horrendous road patches are amateurish!	1
Road maintenance must be improved.	1
Road maintenance: the "town" supposedly ok'd our developer's roads when they did not meet town specifications without notice. Now our roads are poor.	1

Roads	Qty of Responses
Roads and sidewalks on many side streets not in good shape. We've requested paving and sidewalk fixes many times with no result. Police, fire, plowing, etc. excellent.	1
Roads are always in really bad shape.	1
Roads are in tough shape. My side of the street is not plowed. The transfer station is always crowded and hard to navigate. The police and fire departments are friendly and active in town so people and children know them. The COA is awesome.	1
Roads are left in poor condition for long periods of time Dump could promote more item swaps	1
Roads are much worse then when we moved in 22 years ago but the taxes keep going up	1
Roads get too far behind before fixing; Transfer station should reopen on Thursday night.	1
Roads have lots of pot holes that are not filled in in a timely fashion. More roads need to be paved and when paved, not just small sections of roads.	1
Roads in Southwick are in poor condition, heaving, potholes, cracking	1
Roads in terrible condition causing damage. Water system has had problems with contamination.	1
Roads in town are needing repair. State roads especially (Route 57) are in desperate need.	1
Roads need to be replaced not just filling potholes. Also, there are other roads other than Berkshire.	1
Roadway maintenance - road crew could be a little more on top of things when pot holes occur, also making sure drainage is clear and not wait for a rain storm to try and clear the drain.	1
Roadway: Crestview does terrible work and continues to get hired - why? Our road had been regraded & new drains put in but that made the water pooling worse. I've seen other streets they worked on that also made an existing problem worse. Water: the water pressure is terrible for many houses in my neighborhood	1
Robin Rd is almost unpassable	1
Rt 202 past the intersection near Calabrese Farm, going west, the road is horrible. It needs to be repaved. The drinking water provided to homes shows to be cancerous long-term, so residents need to source alternative drinking water.	1
several roads in town are in desperate need of repair	1
sewer was forced on us on Depot St while Powder mill rd. had a choice... water system - why are we selling water to other towns especially in drought conditions...what road maintenance...plow drivers are VERY inconsiderate of homeowners	1
Some improvement needed in water quality and abundance. Many holes in streets still need to be repaired or streets redone. Drivers cross midline to avoid holes which creates dangerous situations.	1
Some of the roads get beat to hell. Transfer station is better than great.	1
Some roads require more maintenance than has been provided.	1
Some roads seem to use low quality materials for patching as they need to be done just a few years later. Seems like a waste of money and using better materials would be an eventual cost savings	1
Southwick's roads are in terrible shape. Have only lived here full-time for 3 years so use of city services has been limited.	1
Street could be better maintained and paved	1

Roads	Qty of Responses
Streets along North Pond are not maintained or even cared about, we are part of the town, pay our taxes like everyone else, I should not have to call DPW to get pot holes patched every year, and water restrictions imposed, no more building until updated water access. add sewer	1
The local roads are some of the most bumpy, roughest and worst in the entire state. I travel everywhere. Hardly any towns have roads as beat up as ours. That needs to change.	1
The roads are not being maintained to a reasonable degree. If taxes need to go up to save me money on car repairs then so be it. As far as bike lanes, it is often terrifying for us to ride on the roads with skinny or non existent shoulders and traffic zipping by.	1
The roads are still full of pot holes. The road maintenance along with services are not privatized.	1
The roads are terrible, especially the roads that are mostly serving commuters going towards Agawam or Connecticut to catch the highway to work	1
The roads around town are atrocious, it takes forever to fix the potholes and when they do show up they only fix a couple and leave the rest(sometimes the worse of them). Its bad enough the water bill in this town is insanely high but the water is basically toxic and I don't feel safe drinking it, its absolutely unacceptable, and we can't even use our water because were on restriction every year. Transfer station should be open more, 4 days a week is very inconvenient.	1
The roads in this town are not well paved or maintained	1
The roads need repair pretty much all around me, I have a well so I don t use the water system, I have a septic tank, although I think the sewer system should be expanded and upgraded and I think we should come up with a public waste management (trash pickup) for residents,	1
The same roads constantly have the same problems in the same spots.	1
The town dump's hours are inconsistent and inconvenient, and our town's roads are barely maintained. There are potholes that have been around for years without being filled and when roadwork is done, it is usually rushed and shoddy- my neighborhood's roads were done recently, and not only was the work done during commute hours, making it hard for people to get to and from work but the job was rushed, resulting in uneven and sloppy pavement. Anything labeled "neutral" I have no real opinion on as I don't interact with those services, though I do technically use them.	1
The town puts too little money to maintaining and improving roads. This is becoming dangerous as people swerve to avoid bad road surfaces and individuals are forced to pay for auto repairs directly related to the poor road conditions. Repair/build roads right the first time and save money in the long run instead of paying for poor workmanship over and over.	1
There are too many roads that need to be fixed and all they do is patch it up for the 5th time. Fred Jackson road had potholes and they kept getting bigger and worse for 2 months. Hillside road same thing at one point going the speed limit before you enter Westfield your car can slide from all the holes in the road.	1
There needs to be better road maintenance without a huge cost each time. The Sewer system should be mandated for all - we aren't all farmers who live far away from town.	1

Roads	Qty of Responses
Thoroughfares such as Miller Road have been patched and repatched over the years, need to be re-paved; water system is now not drinkable (sending cancer warning for liability); health services not regularly monitoring and reporting on toxin levels such as e-coli in lake and advising	1
too many neglected pot holes	1
Town needs a second well! If we are short in summer why are we selling water to Westfield? Lots of well traveled roads in hills, in poor shape	1
Town roads are horrible and an embarrassment	1
Town will not address our road at all. Zero attention and "not our problem".	1
Transfer station needs to be arranged better because of the bottlenecks which cause traffic backup. Also the road to is horrendous!	1
VERY unhappy with the water situation, main road into Southwick from Agawam is not plowed in a timely manner, that road also needs repaving (I drive almost on people's lawns on a certain section of it). I have had 2 encounters with the police dept and found they have an attitude problem - I feel they are not respectful to the public but I am sure if it is their buddy it would be a different story.	1
Want public sewer and no more septic, want fewer water bans, want improved and expanded recreational activities in town, some roads need repair	1
We advertise as a recreational community, but I have to say that it is a bone rattling adventure, every time I go out on the road to ride my bicycle. Route 57, coming east from Granville, can be especially nerve racking.	1
We have had excellent interaction with the Town's police dept. And have seen fire/rescue in action. The plows do a good job but we lose our mailbox at least once per season. The roads are not well maintained pothole wise, although I do understand it is a losing battle.	1
We have not had the situation to need fire, police, or EMT services in Southwick. Roads are ok, some are not great South Loomis off of 57 is pretty rough but was treated recently. Plowing always seems to be done by the time I'm on the roads.	1
We need a full time fire and ambulance service in our growing town . We need better water systems as we don't even have enough water for our current homes imagine more coming ! We need trash pick up ! We need plowing & salting more than once or twice during a storm . Roads are full of potholes with no sidewalks.	1
We only have city water and no sewer, not a senior. We use the transfer station and are happy with. Streets, especially ours is beat up from the plowing.	1
We should have water supply capacity to handle the population. Sewer systems need to be a priority. Our roads seem never to be repaired,	1
Which item in question 23 are you referring to? Police - not good at dealing with off road vehicles that trespass on Town residents' property. Roadway maintenance - take a look at the condition of some of our roads	1
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(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that

Actual Public Responses	
Good Job/No Complaints	Qty of Responses
All do great job	1
Animal control very helpful - great adoption service, excellent provider of support and education regarding wildlife.	1
Because I don't have major complaints about town services	1
Concerned about safety of drinking water, road are terrible. But appreciate the police, fire, ambulance/EMT	1
Didn't have any additional items to rate	1
Don't understand	1
dump hours do not allow easy access for those who work during the day and weekends We have not had to use police/fire/EMT services but community conversation is positive.	1
Emergency response is critical and A+ - though very discouraged that dispatch is now out of Westfield. I believe our DPW needs a course on proper tar/pot hole maintenance.	1
Every person I've encountered in those areas has been very helpful. Have not had any bad experiences.	1
Everyone is doing a great job. Go Southwick!	1
fiscally sound	1
For some of the categories I'm not sure I can even really say much because we've never needed the services up to this point. And others like water/sewer there isn't much to say about it.	1
For the most part Southwick does a fine job	1
For the most part, I think Southwick is a great place to live. The Senior Center is a great service and well run. The DPW is impressive, especially for a smaller place. A recycle store would be good there.	1
Generally, services are very good. However, budgets are strained for maintaining our infrastructure.	1
Give them credit	1
happy with most town services. Wish that sewer line gets extended	1
Happy with the paving on Mort Vining	1
Have had to use Police, Fire and ambulance services a few times since living in Southwick have always found them to be prompt in their response. courteous and caring group of individuals	1
Haven't had to use Police Fire or EMT but heard they are great. Some roads need repair especially Robin Rd. On septic not sewer, had the privilege on being a BOH member for over 15 years. Used senior center services several times and they were very helpful.	1

Good Job/No Complaints	Qty of Responses
I absolutely enjoy having the waste transfer station in town as I like having my own schedule/time to go dispose of my rubbish. I am very happy with DPW's plowing of snow and ice but I wish roads were re-paved sooner than they have been as cars are getting damaged and the patching of potholes does not help very much in making the roads safer or smoother when the volume of holes/patches is high. Suggestion for the dump: have a small separate shack/shelves for unwanted but usable goods. Many towns in CT have this in their dumps and they have become renowned in some communities for being great spots to pick up free furniture/decorative items/tools/etc. It would encourage less waste, more sustainable thinking and community connection as one person's rubbish can totally be another person's treasure.	1
I am extremely happy with the Police, Fire and EMT department in our town. They are all amazing and are all dedicated to our community.	1
I am fortunate to have not needed Police, Fire or EMT services. Our roads need some TLC, so this makes plowing a challenge - we have damage every spring.	1
I had squatters that even the actual renter said that "they are squatters and throw them out. They are turning your house into a drug house" in text on my phone-police said they couldn't do anything. I had to use a lawyer and couldn't even approach or take care of my property. All other areas great!	1
I have lived here for almost 11 years now. I feel like our community cares about the people and our experiences here.	1
I have not had use of emergency services. Roadway maintenance is ok no major potholes where I drive. Plowing in winter is good. Board of health has not made sure the lake is staying clean and free of chemicals/pollution	1
I have used/interacted with police and fire, and found them very satisfactory. Road maintenance is good, but more roads could be repaved which of course costs money. Would like more recycling options at transfer station, especially Styrofoam. I don't really use senior/board of health services.	1
I haven't had any negative experiences with Town services. Everyone seems to be doing a good job.	1
I haven't had any problems with the Town. Other than, I wish there was a freeze on Property Taxes, at age 65.	1
I live less than one year in Southwick	1
I really don't know what other services that I would want or need in the next few decades. If anything, I suppose a medical center of some sort would be useful for me and others.	1
I think most things go well in town. We are a small town where we like to keep the small town feeling so I don't want to see it over developed but I do understand the need to build homes so our children and others can be a part of Southwick	1
I think town employees are very helpful. I think we need to spend money on maintaining our roads. Lots of cracks that lead to pot holes.	1
I think we have some very good employees and that most departments (the ones listed here) are run well, with the budgets they have.	1
I'm fine with everything in town except the water availability. If I knew it was going to be this bad I would have put in a well when I bought here.	1

Good Job/No Complaints	Qty of Responses
I'm happy with the dedicated public servants in our town. Only thing I would request is an additional evening schedule for the transfer station.	1
I'm happy with town services	1
I'm satisfied with the services I receive from the town	1
I'm satisfied with the services in town. Hopefully employment will grow as the town does.	1
In the areas where I checked extremely satisfied, it's a shout-out for the excellent services provided.	1
It's a nice library that offers classes and resources	1
It's Massachusetts roads, I don't think they'll ever be good. Plowing is really good in some parts of town but lacking in others. Fire and EMT have both been top notch as long as I've been in town. Police are usually pretty good but some have a tendency to go on power trips.	1
low crime, excellent ambulance and police response, wintry conditions well addressed; transfer station well intended, but suspicious of fate of "recycled" items	1
Many services are hardly used in Southwick however when they are, the services are good. Mattresses have been illegally dumped on my property, but nothing can be done. I would be interested in learning more about the cost / option if sewer lines were to be extended. Roadways and plowing are good.	1
Miller Road is in terrible conditions - all the town does is patch once a year. In the winter and spring, Miller Road is full of potholes and rough surfaces. I pay over \$8,000 a year in property taxes and have seen no improvement in 6 years. Road to transfer station is pitiful. Also, annual fee keeps going up every year, with no improvement in facility or service. Other services are adequate - not good enough to be ranked extremely satisfied.	1
Most services are satisfying.	1
My experience with EMT services was very good and I do see police and fire presence but would like to know we have enough coverage both day and night for emergency services.	1
No opinion	1
no opinion	1
no service is ever completely perfect but I've been reasonably satisfied with what we have	1
One bad experience with police 25 years ago with one officer, but mostly overwhelmingly positive.	1
Our emergency services are great. Our water system is not based on the letters we have been receiving and that it won't be fixed until 2014. It would be good to start thinking about having trash pick up.	1
Our road maintenance is exceptional as well as transfer station and senior services, police, fire and ambulance services. All very well organized and maintained.	1
Not sure	1
Nothing listed	1

Good Job/No Complaints	Qty of Responses
Our services are top notch for the area. I do believe we are overstaffed/over serviced on DPW services as those services were built up pending population growth that didn't occur.	1
Police enforce only what select people want Road maintenance. Centerlines faded make it hard to drive at night. Transfer station Saw a similar size town's transfer station. Paper and cardboard goes in separate bins. Last stop involves leaving appliances requires screening. People working there are good. Just needs update.	1
Police/fire/Amb= we have used them-came quickly/feel safe, Road main: good, Plowing is exceptional, water sys: good, sewer=we have sewer, transfer: I'm worried about budget,	1
Public safety and emergency services seem to be important to taxpayers and funded well. May need to consider police/fire substation in Southern part of Town.	1
Public Safety does a great job with the resources they have. Road in town are not up to par. And most of that is state highway Route 57 between Foster Road and Crepes Tea House, But some town roads as week like Fred Jackson to give an example.	1
re: emergency and police services: I have thankfully not used them very much, but when I have, they have been helpful. Re: water and sewer system: I do not use them due to the location of my home.	1
Roads and sidewalks on many side streets not in good shape. We've requested paving and sidewalk fixes many times with no result. Police, fire, plowing, etc. excellent.	1
Satisfied with the service	1
See previous	1
Senior services have not historically provided needed services for seniors. Meals on wheels should be expanded. Van services expanded. In general no issues with other Town Services.	1
Services are a fit for our size.	1
Services are decent	1
Some good some bad	1
Some of the roads get beat to hell. Transfer station is better than great.	1
Taken on balance, the Town government does a pretty good job. It does have a tendency toward good-old-boy stuff, but its occasionally, not regularly.	1
thank you to all who serve our town	1
That department has not always been helpful and approachable.	1
The rec center provides affordable child care and safe transportation to and from school. Also provides programs to keep kids busy. The rec center staff is very good with the kids and communication with the parents .	1
The SRC is a treasure. So are our schools.	1
The town does a good job with services however some problems are getting worse. 911 call system. Crime prevention.	1
The town often makes improvements to the infrastructure	1
There are areas that could use some improvement, but overall the Town of Southwick does a pretty good job!	1
Town is doing fine	1

Good Job/No Complaints	Qty of Responses
We are lucky to have the police and fire departments that we have. They are "tuned in" to the town. As far as ambulance/EMT, they saved my mother's life on more than one occasion so I think extremely highly of them. All 3 handle situations with compassion and patience.	1
We have great public servants in Southwick	1
We have had excellent interaction with the Town's police dept. And have seen fire/rescue in action. The plows do a good job but we lose our mailbox at least once per season. The roads are not well-maintained pothole wise, although I do understand it is a losing battle.	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
How I feel/experience	Qty of Responses
Based on experience	1
Based on my experiences.	1
Based on what I saw/experienced over 31+ years living in this town.	1
because	1
Because it's how I feel	1
I am extremely dissatisfied because we are not given very many options! Comcast and Eversource are monopolies!!! It's disgusting that they get away with what they charge! Why the Whip City Fiber was voted against is beyond me!	1
I answered from personal experience with each topic	1
It's my personal feeling	1
Just how I feel	1
Limited options cause price gouging in the area. Services that are provided are horrendous. Trash should be done by the town	1
My answers were based on my experiences in the town.	1
My experience with EMT services was very good and I do see police and fire presence but would like to know we have enough coverage both day and night for emergency services.	1
My honest opinion	1
My opinion	1
no service is ever completely perfect but I've been reasonably satisfied with what we have	1
Not super pleased with Police; how they respond to applications denied for LTC. Water moratorium-very frequent	1
One bad experience with police 25 years ago with one officer, but mostly overwhelmingly positive.	1
Our emergency services are great. Our water system is not based on the letters we have been receiving and that it won't be fixed until 2014. It would be good to start thinking about having trash pick up.	1
Participated in Citizen Police Academy and RAD - self defense class. Family has used ambulance services in the past.	1
Personal opinion	1
The answers are based on current needs	1
You asked my opinion and I gave it.	1
Because you gave options.	1
Really don't have an opinion	1
I feel that there is always room for improvement	1
I feel there is room for improvement	1

How I feel/experience	Qty of Responses
Unsure about question	1
There should have been a "satisfied" option without it the choice closest was the "somewhat satisfied" response	1
Because you didn't have an option for probably the most used department in the town.	1
There was no question	1
The town often makes improvements to the infrastructure	1
Involvement	1
I have lived here for almost 11 years now. I feel like our community cares about the people and our experiences here.	1
I am extremely happy with the Police, Fire and EMT departments in our town. They are all amazing and are all dedicated to our community.	1
Because I don't have major complaints about town services	1
Every person I've encountered in those areas has been very helpful. Have not had any bad experiences.	1
Everyone is doing a great job. Go Southwick!	1
For the most part Southwick does a fine job	1
For the most part, I think Southwick is a great place to live. The Senior Center is a great service and well run. The DPW is impressive, especially for a smaller place. A recycle store would be good there.	1
Generally, services are very good. However, budgets are strained for maintaining our infrastructure.	1
Give them credit	1
Have had to use Police, Fire and ambulance services a few times since living in Southwick have always found them to be prompt in their response. courteous and caring group of individuals	1
Haven't had to use police fire emt but heard their great. Some roads need repair especially robin rd. On septic not sewer, had the privilege on being a BOH member for over 15 years. Used senior center services several times and they were very helpful.	1
I absolutely enjoy having the waste transfer station in town as I like having my own schedule/time to go dispose of my rubbish. I am very happy with DPW's plowing of snow and ice but I wish roads were re-paved sooner than they have been as cars are getting damaged and the patching of potholes does not help very much in making the roads safer or smoother when the volume of holes/patches is high. Suggestion for the dump: have a small separate shack/shelves for unwanted but usable goods. Many towns in CT have this in their dumps and they have become renowned in some communities for being great spots to pick up free furniture/decorative items/tools/etc. It would encourage less waste, more sustainable thinking and community connection as one person's rubbish can totally be another person's treasure.	1
I am extremely happy with the police, fire and emt department in our town. They are all amazing and are all dedicated to our community.	1
I haven't had any negative experiences with Town services. Everyone seems to be doing a good job.	1
I haven't had any problems with the Town. Other than, I wish there was a freeze on Property Taxes, at age 65.	1

How I feel/experience	Qty of Responses
I think most things go well in town. We are a small town where we like to keep the small town feeling so I don't want to see it over developed but I do understand the need to build homes so our children and others can be a part of Southwick	1
I think town employees are very helpful. I think we need to spend money on maintaining our roads. Lots of cracks that lead to pot holes.	1
I think we have some very good employees and that most departments (the ones listed here) are run well, with the budgets they have.	1
I'm fine with everything in town except the water availability. If I knew it was going to be this bad I would have put in a well when I bought here.	1
I'm happy with the dedicated public servants in our town. Only thing I would request is an additional evening schedule for the transfer station.	1
I'm happy with town services	1
I'm satisfied with the services I receive from the town	1
I'm satisfied with the services in town. Hopefully employment will grow as the town does.	1
In the areas where I checked extremely satisfied, it's a shout-out for the excellent services provided.	1
low crime, excellent ambulance and police response, wintry conditions well addressed; transfer station well intended, but suspicious of fate of "recycled" items	1
Many services are hardly used in Southwick however when they are, the services are good.	1
Most services are satisfying.	1
Satisfied with the service	1
Services are decent	1
The town often makes improvements to the infrastructure	1
Town is doing fine	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Sewer Water Expansion	Qty of Responses
DPW improvements always need updates for roads and infrastructure maintenance	1
For some of the categories I'm not sure I can even really say much because we've never needed the services up to this point. And others like water/sewer there isn't much to say about it.	1
happy with most town services. Wish that sewer line gets extended	1
HAVE NO SEWER SERVICE	1
Haven't had to use Police Fire EMT but heard their great. Some roads need repair especially robin rd. On septic not sewer, had the privilege on being a BOH member for over 15 years. Used senior center services several times and they were very helpful.	1
I always feel there needs to be improvement on infrastructure and services as growth is inevitable for any town and the town has to keep up with maintenance	1
I chose unsatisfied for ambulance due to the fact my father in law lives across from there and was having an possible heart attack and needed to call Westfield for one all while we were looking at it parked across the street. I think the sewer project shouldn't be just lake side and be across town if possible. I also chose unsatisfied for the dump is because the hours they are open suck and last time we went on a Saturday it took over an hour there. That was the last time and we now pay for trash pick up.	1
I don't use a lot of the services the town provides. My house is on well water and septic. I would like to see town water and sewer make its way to Will Palmer.	1
I have well and septic.	1
I'd like to see sewers installed in my area.	1
It would be nice to expand public sewer to more of the town	1
It would be nice to see town sewer services and garbage removal	1
More people to hook up to sewer around Collage Highway	1
re: emergency and police services: I have thankfully not used them very much, but when I have, they have been helpful. Re: water and sewer system: I do not use them due to the location of my home.	1
Sewer system, I live on a street that should be connected to sewer but was told to much ledge, even though street was completely dug up a few years ago. Feel water department does what ever they want .	1

Sewer Water Expansion	Qty of Responses
sewer was forced on us on Depot St while Powder mill rd. had a choice... water system - why are we selling water to other towns especially in drought conditions...what road maintenance...plow drivers are VERY inconsiderate of homeowners	1
Southwick is 20 years behind. We pay a lot in taxes and don't even have a full time station and ambulance. Schools are on septic I Get with the program	1
Southwick needs sewers very badly and should be made to residents at a reasonable rate. And the water is one of the worse I have ever had!	1
Southwick needs to install sewers on College Highway from Westfield line to Coes Hill Rd	1
Southwick Vlg. needs a sewer hookup	1
Streets along North Pond are not maintained or even cared about, we are part of the town, pay our taxes like everyone else, I should not have to call DPW to get pot holes patched every year, and water restrictions imposed, no more building until updated water access. add sewer	1
The roads need repair pretty much all around me, I have a well so I don t use the water system, I have a septic tank, although I think the sewer system should be expanded and upgraded and I think we should come up with a public waste management (trash pickup) for residents,	1
The transfer station hours are great if you're retired, you drive through the town on Monday nights and see everybody's trash bins out for early morning pick up because of the ridiculous hours there and last time I went on a Saturday I was there over an hour waiting. With this many people having out side trash pick up I really would hope that the town would look into town pick up and just add it to a quarterly bill or something along with the water bill. Also sewers really should be considered for all of Southwick.	1
THE WATER NEED TO BE FILTERED BETTER. MOST OF THE TOWN HAN NO SEWER. PROVIDE SEWER TO ALL.	1
There needs to be better road maintenance without a huge cost each time. The Sewer system should be mandated for all - we aren't all farmers who live far away from town.	1
town is always complaining about the lack of people hooked up to sewers. cost of hookup is too high. when new housing developments are being built why not require developer to install sewer lines instead of septic system. betterment cost could be included in price of house	1
Want public sewer and no more septic, want fewer water bans, want improved and expanded recreational activities in town, some roads need repair	1
Water and sewer charges are far too high. Sewer charges are outrageous at this point.	1
Water bill is expensive - there is a sewer tax or charge and I have a septic tank.	1
Water system - drought every year? Think we need to fix this before we think about growth. Sewer system, most of us are not on it. Transfer station, cross traffic? Single stream recycle. Either make it apart of our taxes (business would contribute and not use) or be able to purchase sticker via the internet	1
We do not have use of sewer services and I question quality of the water in town.	1

Sewer Water Expansion	Qty of Responses
We don't have any sewer or public water options in my area and we would like these systems.	1
We have a well and septic in our area and we would like to have that choice	1
We need to expand the sewer system, and we need to plan developments and sewer infrastructure together.	1
We only have city water and no sewer, not a senior. We use the transfer station and are happy with. Streets, especially ours is beat up from the plowing.	1
We should have water supply capacity to handle the population. Sewer systems need to be a priority. Our roads seem never to be repaired,	1
Would like to see sewer system in town expanded to other areas of town.	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are**Actual Public Responses****Transfer Station**

Qty of Responses

1 more half day at transfer station and 1 more half day for outdoor water use

1

Businesses are not allowed to use transfer station to recycle, have to get dumpster and not recycle huge waste.

1

Casella Waste is who we have employed for our weekly trash pick up. HOWEVER, they do not pick up on our regularly scheduled day which means my trash receptacles sit out at street for days longer than necessary, the private service is expensive, I won't use transfer station because I won't put trash in my personal vehicle to drive to the transfer station nor do I have time to even find to bring trash to the transfer station, I feel it's about time to have a trash service offered to Southwick Residents and paid through our town taxes, I

1

dump hours do not allow easy access for those who work during the day and weekends We have not had to use police/fire/EMT services but community conversation is positive.

1

For a town the size of Southwick, the transfer station should be open daily at regular hours. Obviously, evening hours are needed unless there is a self-service option.

1

Hate to say it, but we need raise our transfer station fees and/or start per-bag disposal fees to get people to recycle properly and limit TS abuse. Also, we should implement food waste composting at our schools.

1

I absolutely enjoy having the waste transfer station in town as I like having my own schedule/time to go dispose of my rubbish. I am very happy with DPW's plowing of snow and ice but I wish roads were re-paved sooner than they have been as cars are getting damaged and the patching of potholes does not help very much in making the roads safer or smoother when the volume of holes/patches is high. Suggestion for the dump: have a small separate shack/shelves for unwanted but usable goods. Many towns in CT have this in their dumps and they have become renowned in some communities for being great spots to pick up free furniture/decorative items/tools/etc. It would encourage less waste, more sustainable thinking and community connection as one person's rubbish can totally be another person's treasure.

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1

I have used/interacted with Police and Fire, and found them very satisfactory. Road maintenance is good, but more roads could be repaved which of course costs money. Would like more recycling options at transfer station, especially Styrofoam. I don't really use senior/board of health services.

1

Transfer Station	Qty of Responses
I haven't had much experience with most services provided in town. I'm glad they exist, good to know that they are there when needed. The only thing the gets me is the strictness at the dump and the availability/hours of operation for me to get in there. I wish there was an option every day.	1
I would support expanding transfer station hours	1
I'm happy with the dedicated public servants in our town. Only thing I would request is an additional evening schedule for the transfer station.	1
low crime, excellent ambulance and police response, wintry conditions well addressed; transfer station well intended, but suspicious of fate of "recycled" items	1
Miller Road is in terrible conditions - all the town does is patch once a year. In the winter and spring, Miller Road is full of potholes and rough surfaces. I pay over \$8,000 a year in property taxes and have seen no improvement in 6 years. Road to transfer station is pitiful. Also, annual fee keeps going up every year, with no improvement in facility or service. Other services are adequate - not good enough to be ranked extremely satisfied.	1
More can be done for the roads. Need to be repaved. Need better hours with the dump. Seniors should have more housing and be affordable at the same time, due to lower incomes.	1
Police enforce only what select people want Road maintenance. Centerlines faded make it hard to drive at night. Transfer station Saw a similar size town's transfer station. Paper and cardboard goes in separate bins. Last stop involves leaving appliances requires screening. People working there are good. Just needs update.	1
police need to give more tickets out, roads in Southwick are severely neglected, transfer station costs way too much especially for seniors living on retirement	1
Police/fire/Amb= we have used them-came quickly/feel safe, Road main: good, Plowing is exceptional, water sys: good, sewer=we have sewer, transfer: I'm worried about budget,	1
Rating of transfer station would have been better if there was an active program to improve the Town's recycling rating Every year we have water restrictions, but not a lot of discussion about increasing the Town's sources. Also, there has not been a cap on the number of new housing permits	1
Re: roadway maintenance, the DPW does the best it can with limited road maintenance funds. The state needs to provide more funding. For plowing, DPW does great. Some hired plows are better than others. The worst ones stay far from road edge. The transfer station fees have become higher than some other city's pick-up service.	1
Roads are in tough shape. My side of the street is not plowed. The transfer station is always crowded and hard to navigate. The police and fire departments are friendly and active in town so people and children know them. The COA is awesome.	1
Roads are left in poor condition for long periods of time Dump could promote more item swaps	1
Roads get too far behind before fixing; Transfer station should reopen on Thursday night.	1
Some of the roads get beat to hell. Transfer station is better than great.	1

Transfer Station	Qty of Responses
The roads around town are atrocious, it takes forever to fix the potholes and when they do show up they only fix a couple and leave the rest(sometimes the worse of them). Its bad enough the water bill in this town is insanely high but the water is basically toxic and I don't feel safe drinking it, its absolutely unacceptable, and we can't even use our water because were on restriction every year. Transfer station should be open more, 4 days a week is very inconvenient.	1
The transfer station hours are great if your retired, you drive through the town on Monday nights and see everybody's trash bins out for early morning pick up because of the ridiculous hours there and last time I went on a Saturday I was there over an hour waiting. With this many people having out side trash pick up I really would hope that the town would look into town pick up and just add it to a quarterly bill or something along with the water bill. Also sewers really should be considered for all of Southwick.	1
Transfer station doesn't take paint products and shredded paper and recycling instructions/ guidelines are very poor; I don't want to go to Westfield to dispose of paint products; find a better solution, I'm paying for this service and I want better service.	1
transfer station hours cut back, still letting non residents have stickers, letting contractors and business owners dump their trash when they should pay for a dumpster! then giving the home owner the home owner grief. If these business owners paid for dumpsters maybe our stickers wouldn't keep going up so much in the next few years!	1
Transfer station is out dated and has not changed with the times. The future of trash disposal is going to be very expensive. I don't see the town preparing for this future problem.	1
Transfer station needs to be arranged better because of the bottlenecks which cause traffic backup. Also the road to is horrendous!	1
Transfer station needs to look into single stream disposal. Monitoring needs to be done to ensure businesses are not dumping (or they pay a higher rate), as this would help keep the price fair for private residents.	1
Water system - drought every year? Think we need to fix this before we think about growth. Sewer system, most of us are not on it. Transfer station, cross traffic? Single stream recycle. Either make it apart of our taxes (business would contribute and not use) or be able to purchase sticker via the internet	1
We only have city water and no sewer, not a senior. We use the transfer station and are happy with. Streets, especially ours is beat up from the plowing.	1
You should be allowed to purchase permits for charged items AT THE TRANSFER STATION! It should ONLY be for SOUTHWICK RESIDENTS! NO out of towners!! Business owners and Contractors should get their own dumpsters and not be allowed to dump at the Transfer Station!!	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses

Water Quality

Qty of Responses

"After hours" fire emergencies - slow response. Insufficient well capacity; safety of water quality.

1

Appreciated communication when there were issues with the water supply and understand the issue is mostly on the end of the Springfield supply. I wish there was a way to prevent/ensure that it does not continue to happen.

1

Chemicals in our drinking water are very distressing. I would like to be notified via phone alerts when water is affected with Cancer causing chemicals and not by a letter weeks later.

1

Concerned about safety of drinking water, road are terrible. But appreciate the police, fire, ambulance/EMT

1

For some of the categories I'm not sure I can even really say much because we've never needed the services up to this point. And others like water/sewer there isn't much to say about it.

1

I haven't used many of the services. The only actual concern I have is with adequate supply of clean water that is safe to drink.

1

I received several notices the water is contaminated. To put in a well its 30k or I can filter the tap water for a little less money. The main road coming in from CT past the lake is full of potholes.

1

Our emergency services are great. Our water system is not based on the letters we have been receiving and that it won't be fixed until 2014. It would be good to start thinking about having trash pick up.

1

Our water purity should be a top priority for Southwick. I do not feel safe drinking the town water. Having to rely on Springfield to supply our water (in my community) puts us at their mercy. We have had water bans for the two years I have lived here and our property looks deplorable in the summer as a result. You can't enjoy using a yard for recreational purposes that is yellowed, burned grass.

1

Roads in terrible condition causing damage. Water system has had problems with contamination.

1

Rt 57 past the intersection near Calabrese Farm, going west, the road is horrible. It needs to be repaved. The drinking water provided to homes shows to be cancerous long-term, so residents need to source alternative drinking water.

1

Serious concerns with water quality

1

Water Quality	Qty of Responses
Some improvement needed in water quality and abundance. Many holes in streets still need to be repaired or streets redone. Drivers cross midline to avoid holes which creates dangerous situations.	1
Southwick needs sewers very badly and should be made to residents at a reasonable rate. And the water is one of the worse I have ever had!	1
The roads around town are atrocious, it takes forever to fix the potholes and when they do show up they only fix a couple and leave the rest(sometimes the worse of them). Its bad enough the water bill in this town is insanely high but the water is basically toxic and I don't feel safe drinking it, its absolutely unacceptable, and we can't even use our water because were on restriction every year. Transfer station should be open more, 4 days a week is very inconvenient.	1
THE WATER NEED TO BE FILTERED BETTER. MOST OF THE TOWN HAN NO SEWER. PROVIDE SEWER TO ALL.	1
The water situation in Southwick is awful. I hope something can be done in the near future. Water bans are awful.	1
Thoroughfares such as Miller Road have been patched and repatched over the years, need to be re-paved; water system is now not drinkable (sending cancer warning for liability); health services not regularly monitoring and reporting on toxin levels such as e-coli in lake and advising	1
VERY unhappy with the water situation, main road into Southwick from Agawam is not plowed in a timely manner, that road also needs repaving (I drive almost on people's lawns on a certain section of it). I have had 2 encounters with the police dept and found they have an attitude problem - I feel they are not respectful to the public but I am sure if it is their buddy it would be a different story.	1
Water systems - my water tastes terrible and has dangerous levels of halo acetic acids. I have to buy bottled water to drink and cook with, yet I have no choice but to bathe and do my laundry in contaminated water and the level of cancers in Rosewood Condos is extremely high - Get it fixed immediately!	1
We do not have use of sewer services and I question quality of the water in town.	1
We should make sure we have enough of a water supply before we approve more development. Also relying on Springfield water to supplement our water supply has proved bothersome. Too many chemicals in the water- being forced to buy bottled water to drink.	1
I haven't used many of the services. The only actual concern I have is with adequate supply of clean water that is safe to drink.	22

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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.**Actual Public Responses****Water Supply****Qty of Responses**

"After hours" fire emergencies - slow response. Insufficient well capacity; safety of water quality.

1

cost and scarcity of water.

1

Do not like that we need to get water from other towns.

1

I believe the town water supply system should be augmented so as to become independent of the Springfield or other towns' systems.

1

I haven't used many of the services. The only actual concern I have is with adequate supply of clean water that is safe to drink.

1

Roadway: Crestview does terrible work and continues to get hired - why? Our road had been regraded & new drains put in but that made the water pooling worse. I've seen other streets they worked on that also made an existing problem worse. Water: the water pressure is terrible for many houses in my neighborhood

1

Some improvement needed in water quality and abundance. Many holes in streets still need to be repaired or streets redone. Drivers cross midline to avoid holes which creates dangerous situations.

1

Town needs a second well! If we are short in summer why are we selling water to Westfield?

Lots of well traveled roads in hills, in poor shape

1

We need to improve/increase our water supply/source

1

We should make sure we have enough of a water supply before we approve more development. Also relying on Springfield water to supplement our water supply has proved bothersome. Too many chemicals in the water- being forced to buy bottled water to drink.

1

We need to improve/increase our water supply/source

1

We should have water supply capacity to handle the population. Sewer systems need to be a priority. Our roads seem never to be repaired,

1

We should make sure we have enough of a water supply before we approve more development. Also relying on Springfield water to supplement our water supply has proved bothersome. Too many chemicals in the water- being forced to buy bottled water to drink.

1

We need a full time fire and ambulance service in our growing town . We need better water systems as we don't even have enough water for our current homes imagine more coming ! We need trash pick up ! We need plowing & salting more than once or twice during a storm .

1

Roads are full of potholes with no sidewalks.

1

water shortage is inexcusable

1

Water Supply	Qty of Responses
Town needs a second well! If we are short in summer why are we selling water to Westfield?	
Lots of well traveled roads in hills, in poor shape	1
The town needs to resolve the problems with the lack of water before any additions are made in the town!	1
Streets along North Pond are not maintained or even cared about, we are part of the town, pay our taxes like everyone else, I should not have to call DPW to get pot holes patched every year, and water restrictions imposed, no more building until updated water access. add sewer	1
I'm fine with everything in town except the water availability. If I knew it was going to be this bad I would have put in a well when I bought here.	1
How can we allow further development when we can't provide enough water for existing residents?	1
cost and scarcity of water.	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Water Bans	Qty of Responses
1 more half day at transfer station 1more half day for outdoor water use	1
Because of water use ban.	1
Even the roads resurfaced last year in my neighborhood were done cheaply and poorly. The water restrictions as early as May are unacceptable. Renegotiate the terms until they are adopted for all Western Mass towns.	1
long term plans for hardier constructed roads should be in the plan. I understand this is NE and roads are impacted across the region but spend the money to build great roads and we'll have to spend less to maintain them long term. As to the water issue, continue to pressure the state to change our calculation	1
Not super pleased with Police; how they respond to applications denied for LTC. Water moratorium-very frequent	1
Our water ban is absolutely ridiculous. I'm sure it won't change anytime soon, so we are actually considering investing in a well so that we are able to maintain the one acre of grass and landscaping that we have invested time and money into. If we care about how our town looks, burned up lawns and dead flowers isn't the way to do that.	1
Our water purity should be a top priority for Southwick. I do not feel safe drinking the town water. Having to rely on Springfield to supply our water (in my community) puts us at their mercy. We have had water bans for the two years I have lived here and our property looks deplorable in the summer as a result. You can't enjoy using a yard for recreational purposes that is yellowed, burned grass.	1
Rating of transfer station would have been better if there was an active program to improve the Town's recycling rating Every year we have water restrictions, but not a lot of discussion about increasing the Town's sources. Also, there has not been a cap on the number of new housing permits	1
sewer was forced on us on Depot St while Powder mill rd had a choice... water system - why are we selling water to other towns especially in drought conditions...what road maintenance...plow drivers are VERY inconsiderate of homeowners	1
Somewhat unsatisfied with water system. We should not be on a mandatory water use restriction every single year during the summer.	1

Water Bans	Qty of Responses
The roads around town are atrocious, it takes forever to fix the potholes and when they do show up they only fix a couple and leave the rest(sometimes the worse of them). Its bad enough the water bill in this town is insanely high but the water is basically toxic and i don't feel safe drinking it, its absolutely unacceptable, and we can't even use our water because were on restriction every year. Transfer station should be open more, 4 days a week is very inconvenient.	1
The water situation in Southwick is awful. I hope something can be done in the near future. Water bans are awful.	1
This town's water bans are absolutely ridiculous. We are the only town that puts restrictions. You will drive people out because of water use. No one is willing to have a lovely home and pay high taxes with a dead lawn	1
Want public sewer and no more septic, want fewer water bans, want improved and expanded recreational activities in town, some roads need repair	1
Water restrictions and rates are ridiculous in comparison to other towns	1
Water restrictions and sewer fees need to be revisited	1
Water restrictions seem to be arbitrary versus necessary, rates are way too high.	1
water shortage is inexcusable	1
Water system - drought every year? Think we need to fix this before we think about growth. Sewer system, most of us are not on it. Transfer station, cross traffic? Single stream recycle. Either make it apart of our taxes (business would contribute and not use) or be able to purchase sticker via the internet	1
Water systems: While I'm all for conserving water, I fail to see the relationship between frequent annual outdoor water use bans and flow rates of the Westfield River. You've been using the same explanatory memo for years, predicting that other towns will eventually have the same water use license renewals with the state, however I don't see that happening. Zoning requirements for large lots usually end up with large lawns. Very frustrating	1
Water usage ban	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.**Actual Public Responses****Don't use****Qty of Responses**

For some of the categories I'm not sure I can even really say much because we've never needed the services up to this point. And others like water/sewer there isn't much to say about it.

1

have not had to use some of the services.

1

I don't use a lot of the services the town provides. My house is on well water and septic. I would like to see town water and sewer make its way to Will Palmer.

1

I haven't used many of the services. The only actual concern I have is with adequate supply of clean water that is safe to drink.

1

I live less than one year in Southwick

1

I really don't know what other services that I would want or need in the next few decades. If anything, I suppose a medical center of some sort would be useful for me and others.

1

Many services are hardly used in Southwick however when they are, the services are good.

1

Most of the services I have not needed or are not available in the part of town I live.

1

N/A

1

N/A

1

No opinion

1

no opinion

1

Police, fire, and Ambulance - I have very little interaction with them; the police department leadership seems to be political; roadways - unnecessary cutting of old, healthy trees. DPW: Utility wires should be moved underground and poles removed; snow removal is excellent - roads are much better than many area towns, but pothole repair seems to be ineffective; BOH - extremely poor response to COVID and unhelpful response to inquiries.

1

Southwick's roads are in terrible shape. Have only lived here full-time for 3 years so use of city services has been limited.

1

The town dump's hours are inconsistent and inconvenient, and our town's roads are barely maintained. There are potholes that have been around for years without being filled and when roadwork is done, it is usually rushed and shoddy- my neighborhood's roads were done recently, and not only was the work done during commute hours, making it hard for people to get to and from work but the job was rushed, resulting in uneven and sloppy pavement.

Anything labeled "neutral" I have no real opinion on as I don't interact with those services, though I do technically use them.

1

Use very few of the above services

1

Don't use	Qty of Responses
We have not had the situation to need Fire, Police, or EMT services in Southwick. Roads are ok, some are not great South Loomis off of 57 is pretty rough but was treated recently. Plowing always seems to be done by the time I'm on the roads.	1
We have only been in town 1 year so we haven't really had much experience with most of the services in town	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Taxes	Qty of Responses
For the amount we pay in taxes, some of SW roads are terrible and have been for years - need to prioritize	1
hate to repeat myself but point grove needs help. it's one of the most traveled from CT with the boat traffic to the town dock and the road is torn up, my tires and tired. lol I love the town of Southwick services, how many people can pay their taxes, go grocery shopping and dump their trash in the same trip out on the same road.	1
I believe the general condition of our town roads have deteriorated over the last ten years. I would be willing to pay a higher tax rate to have well maintained roads in Southwick. I think we should have more, wider and better maintained provisions for Southwick to be pedestrian and bicyclist friendly.	1
I feel as though our taxes need to be allocated to the draws of people existing and joining the Southwick community. Middle class residential neighborhoods, school system and outdoor recreation are the desire of our community.	1
I get charged the same tax as the even numbers side of the street. The town does not plow my side of the street. It did the first 10 years I've lived here. Totally wrong and unfair.	1
I haven't had any problems with the Town. Other than, I wish there was a freeze on Property Taxes, at age 65.	1
I've lived here over 30 years and this town government has never concentrated on much other than the fire department and tractors for the DPW.	1
More can be done for the roads. Need to be repaved. Need better hours with the dump. Seniors should have more housing and be affordable at the same time, due to lower incomes.	1
Roads are much worse then when we moved in 22 years ago but the taxes keep going up	1
The roads are not being maintained to a reasonable degree. If taxes need to go up to save me money on car repairs then so be it. As far as bike lanes, it is often terrifying for us to ride on the roads with skinny or non existent shoulders and traffic zipping by.	1
Water and sewer charges are far too high. Sewer charges are outrageous at this point.	1
Water bill is expensive - there is a sewer tax or charge and I have a septic tank.	1
Water restrictions and rates are ridiculous in comparison to other towns	1
Water restrictions and sewer fees need to be revisited	1
Water restrictions and sewer fees need to be revisited	1
Water restrictions seem to be arbitrary versus necessary, rates are way too high.	1
We pay a lot for taxes we deserve a decent snow removal company for residential streets	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Snow Plowing	Qty of Responses
I absolutely enjoy having the waste transfer station in town as I like having my own schedule/time to go dispose of my rubbish. I am very happy with DPW's plowing of snow and ice but I wish roads were re-paved sooner than they have been as cars are getting damaged and the patching of potholes does not help very much in making the roads safer or smoother when the volume of holes/patches is high. Suggestion for the dump: have a smalls separate shack/shelves for unwanted but usable goods. Many towns in CT have this in their dumps and they have become renowned in some communities for being great spots to pick up free furniture/decorative items/tools/etc. It would encourage less waste, more sustainable thinking and community connection as one person's rubbish can totally be another person's treasure.	1
I am fortunate to have not needed Police, Fire or EMT services. Our roads need some TLC, so this makes plowing a challenge - we have damage every spring.	1
I get charged the same tax as the even numbers side of the street. The town does not plow my side of the street. It did the first 10 years I've lived here. Totally wrong and unfair.	1
I have not had use of emergency services. Roadway maintenance is ok no major potholes where I drive. Plowing in winter is good. Board of health has not made sure the lake is staying clean and free of chemicals/pollution	1
Mattresses have been illegally dumped on my property, but nothing can be done. I would be interested in learning more about the cost / option if sewer lines were to be extended. Roadways and plowing are good.	1
Need more full time employees in Fire and Ambulance Service. Roads require more maintenance and clearing.	1
Police, fire, and Ambulance - I have very little interaction with them; the police department leadership seems to be political; roadways - unnecessary cutting of old, healthy trees. DPW: Utility wires should be moved underground and poles removed; snow removal is excellent - roads are much better than many area towns, but pothole repair seems to be ineffective; BOH - extremely poor response to COVID and unhelpful response to inquiries.	1
Roads are in tough shape. My side of the street is not plowed. The transfer station is always crowded and hard to navigate. The police and fire departments are friendly and active in town so people and children know them. The COA is awesome.	1
sewer was forced on us on Depot St while Powder mill rd. had a choice... water system - why are we selling water to other towns especially in drought conditions...what road maintenance...plow drivers are VERY inconsiderate of homeowners	1

Snow Plowing	Qty of Responses
VERY unhappy with the water situation, main road into Southwick from Agawam is not plowed in a timely manner, that road also needs repaving (I drive almost on people's lawns on a certain section of it). I have had 2 encounters with the police dept and found they have an attitude problem - I feel they are not respectful to the public but I am sure if it is their buddy it would be a different story.	1
We have had excellent interaction with the Town's police dept. And have seen fire/rescue in action. The plows do a good job but we lose our mailbox at least once per season. The roads are not well maintained pothole wise, although I do understand it is a losing battle.	1
We have not had the situation to need fire, police, or emt services in Southwick. Roads are ok, some are not great South Loomis off of 57 is pretty rough but was treated recently. Plowing always seems to be done by the time I'm on the roads.	1
We need a full time fire and ambulance service in our growing town . We need better water systems as we don't even have enough water for our current homes imagine more coming ! We need trash pick up ! We need plowing & salting more than once or twice during a storm . Roads are full of potholes with no sidewalks.	1
We only have city water and no sewer, not a senior. We use the transfer station and are happy with. Streets, especially ours is beat up from the plowing.	1
We pay a lot for taxes we deserve a decent snow removal company for residential streets	1
We would be happier if the plows didn't destroy the curbs on our street. I understand they have a hard job, but that is why I answered "somewhat satisfied" We live on a corner lot. The plow drivers pile the snow up in the street then go full speed into the corner so they can get the snow onto the lawn.	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Police Issues	Qty of Responses
called in to report violations. no action taken.	1
I believe the police department does not conduct traffic enforcement as much as it should.	1
I had squatters that even the actual renter said that "they are squatters and throw them out. They are turning your house into a drug house" in text on my phone-police said they couldn't do anything. I had to use a lawyer and couldn't even approach or take care of my property. All other areas great!	1
Mattresses have been illegally dumped on my property, but nothing can be done. I would be interested in learning more about the cost / option if sewer lines were to be extended. Roadways and plowing are good.	1
Mr. Brown for the DPW is book smart but doesn't know the geology of Southwick. The traffic and speeding is a big problem in the center and side roads. Police are never around to monitor.	1
Not super pleased with Police; how they respond to applications denied for LTC. Water moratorium-very frequent	1
police could issue daily log in layman's terms AND location of thefts by street, realtors can bow out. reports don't reflect crime/drugs in Southwick.	1
Police enforce only what select people want Road maintenance. Centerlines faded make it hard to drive at night. Transfer station Saw a similar size town's transfer station. Paper and cardboard go in separate bins. Last stop involves leaving appliances requires screening. People working there are good. Just needs update.	1
Police need additional training. Recording of call details should be done at scene rather than recalling during report writing. Slow response to calls. Do not take the steps to properly investigate complaints.	1
Police need to take callers seriously. It is laughable to be told off by your own police department	1
Police satisfaction was rated very low due to recent interaction in which officers were not truthful, were unprepared did not take notes on scene, therefore causing wrong and incomplete information to be provided via their report! Sense of urgency and expediency in responding to calls are missing. They showed lack of knowledge. Overall poor job performance.	1

Police Issues	Qty of Responses
VERY unhappy with the water situation, main road into Southwick from Agawam is not plowed in a timely manner, that road also needs repaving (I drive almost on people's lawns on a certain section of it). I have had 2 encounters with the police dept and found they have an attitude problem - I feel they are not respectful to the public but I am sure if it is their buddy it would be a different story.	1
Which item in question 23 are you referring to? Police - not good at dealing with off road vehicles that trespass on Town residents' property. Roadway maintenance - take a look at the condition of some of our roads	1
They don't seem trained or they just don't care about anything but traffic enforcement	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.**Actual Public Responses****Trash Pickup**

Qty of Responses

Casella Waste is who we have employed for our weekly trash pick up. HOWEVER, they do not pick up on our regularly scheduled day which means my trash receptacles sit out at street for days longer than necessary, the private service is expensive. I won't use transfer station because I won't put trash in my personal vehicle to drive to the transfer station nor do I have time to even find to bring trash to the transfer station. I feel it's about time to have a trash service offered to Southwick Residents and paid through our town taxes.

1

I don't yet use senior service but good to know they're there. I pay to have trash picked up and we need town to. If anyone paying now, paid half of that, it should help fund it .

1

I would like to see Southwick implement curbside trash and recycling pickup.

1

It would be nice to see town sewer services and garbage removal

1

Limited options cause price gouging in the area. Services that are provided are horrendous. Trash should be done by the town

1

Our emergency services are great. Our water system is not based on the letters we have been receiving and that it won't be fixed until 2014. It would be good to start thinking about having trash pick up.

1

Re: roadway maintenance, the DPW does the best it can with limited road maintenance funds. The state needs to provide more funding. For plowing, DPW does great. Some hired plows are better than others. The worst ones stay far from road edge. The transfer station fees have become higher than some other city's pick-up service.

1

The roads need repair pretty much all around me, I have a well so I don't use the water system, I have a septic tank, although I think the sewer system should be expanded and upgraded and I think we should come up with a public waste management (trash pickup) for residents,

1

The transfer station hours are great if your retired, you drive through the town on Monday nights and see everybody's trash bins out for early morning pick up because of the ridiculous hours there and last time I went on a Saturday I was there over an hour waiting. With this many people having out side trash pick up I really would hope that the town would look into town pick up and just add it to a quarterly bill or something along with the water bill. Also sewers really should be considered for all of Southwick.

1

Trash pickup

1

Trash Pickup	Qty of Responses
We need a full time fire and ambulance service in our growing town . We need better water systems as we don't even have enough water for our current homes imagine more coming ! We need trash pick up ! We need plowing & salting more than once or twice during a storm . Roads are full of potholes with no sidewalks.	1
would like to see home trash pickup services	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Select Board Issues	Qty of Responses
I personally think the select board in this town is very unprofessional and should be fully replaced.	1
I've lived here over 30 years and this town government has never concentrated on much other than the fire department and tractors for the DPW.	1
Our roads are in terrible shape and the selectboard does not prioritize proper repairs. This is NOT about DPW - they have a prioritized list of what should be done. This is about lack of funding.	1
Police department leadership is weak It seems like the Police chief position is given to pump up retirement benefits of officers who are ready to retire rather than to the most qualified person who will serve the community for several years. BOH was very unhelpful with COVID information and responses.	1
Public safety and emergency services seem to be important to taxpayers and funded well. May need to consider police/fire substation in Southern part of Town.	1
Rating of transfer station would have been better if there was an active program to improve the Town's recycling rating Every year we have water restrictions, but not a lot of discussion about increasing the Town's sources. Also, there has not been a cap on the number of new housing permits	1
The appropriate role of government.	1
The town needs to resolve the problems with the lack of water before any additions are made in the town!	1
Town government losing control: regional public safety dispatch, loss LEPC school transportation, town department staffing heads non residents: police, building, clerk, COA, fire, IT, library, health - all non voting.	1
Town Gov't too political. Need to get rid of the good old boy association. The current gov't is anti business.	1
THIS TOWN SPENDS MONEY LIKE IT GROWS ON TREES. It does NOT have an income problem, it has a WASTING problem. DPW is a major culprit. WHY THE HELL do we send so much equipment and labor to each highway job?? WASTE WASTE WASTE! 4 guys to dig out culverts and a police traffic detail? Holding shovels up and laughing at us because WE STILL PAY THEIR PAYCHECK!	1
Unless you own a car you're not getting anywhere around town or to neighboring towns no taxis or busses come here	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.**Actual Public Responses****BOH Issues****Qty of Responses**

Because I do not have any dayto-day interaction with the Board of Health.

1

BOARD OF HEALTH - I was personally denied, in a disrespectful manner, COVID testing kits and information regarding access during the early phase of the pandemic. ROAD MAINTENANCE- I was denied reimbursement from the town insurance company after auto wheel and tire loss due to a huge pothole that was unavoidable due to oncoming traffic.

1

Board of Health personnel are not especially friendly and assume you know the ins and outs of what their office entails. Their job is to guide homeowners through their paperwork, not berate them.

1

Board of Health policies and decisions are inconsistent

1

I don't hear a lot about the Board of Health

1

I don't know what Board of Health services are provided and I am not plugged in to the Senior Services

1

I feel they were clear to the town during Covid. Also being proactive about the beachfront

1

I have not had use of emergency services. Roadway maintenance is ok no major potholes where I drive. Plowing in winter is good. Board of health has not made sure the lake is staying clean and free of chemicals/pollution

1

Police department leadership is weak It seems like the Police chief position is given to pump up retirement benefits of officers who are ready to retire rather than to the most qualified person who will serve the community for several years. BOH was very unhelpful with COVID information and responses.

1

The board of health is not interested in public health, only political expediency. The same applies to the DPW.

1

Thoroughfares such as Miller Road have been patched and repatched over the years, need to be re-paved; water system is now not drinkable (sending cancer warning for liability); health services not regularly monitoring and reporting on toxin levels such as e-coli in lake and advising

1

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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Small Town Charm	Qty of Responses
Because I want Southwick to stay a small town focused on agriculture and recreation. I do not want major business or residential development.	1
I feel that Southwick is losing its country feel and turning into a city. I came to Southwick to enjoy the country and farms. I may leave Southwick and move to a much smaller town. I want the country and low traffic. It saddens me to have to leave Southwick.	1
I love this town and the rural culture and sense of community. I like that people can come and visit but then have to go. I didn't come here to have it turn into Springfield repeat I didn't move here to have it turn into Springfield thank you for your time	1
I think most things go well in town. We are a small town where we like to keep the small town feeling so I don't want to see it over developed but I do understand the need to build homes so our children and others can be a part of Southwick	1
Keep the small town small	1
Southwick is a nice easy place to live. I don't want to change much. I think we should take things slowly as far as growth or we will have too many people here.	1
Southwick is a small town and does not like change	1
Southwick should not be developed. Keep it a small town focusing on agriculture and recreation.	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.**Actual Public Responses****Town Staffing**

Qty of Responses

Generally, services are very good. However, budgets are strained for maintaining our infrastructure.

1

I'm satisfied with the services in town. Hopefully employment will grow as the town does. Need more full time employees in Fire and Ambulance Service. Roads require more maintenance and clearing.

1

1

Our services are top notch for the area. I do believe we are overstaffed/over serviced on DPW services as those services were built up pending population growth that didn't occur.

1

Police department is understaffed. Fire , ambulance, and police calls are directed to another town and then redirected to Southwick which extends the response time to needed services. Also dispatchers from another town do not always know specific information.

1

Southwick is 20 years behind. We pay a lot in taxes and don't even have a full time station and ambulance. Schools are on septic ! Get with the program

1

The DPW should be well funded and fully staffed

1

You have some world class people who work in this town. Pay them enough so they don't leave.

1

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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses

Recreation

Qty of Responses

I believe the general condition of our town roads have deteriorated over the last ten years. I would be willing to pay a higher tax rate to have well maintained roads in Southwick. I think we should have more, wider and better maintained provisions for Southwick to be pedestrian and bicyclist friendly.

1

I believe there is a need to focus more on outdoor activities

1

I feel as though our taxes need to be allocated to the draws of people existing and joining the Southwick community. Middle class residential neighborhoods, school system and outdoor recreation are the desire of our community.

1

Improvements to the Rail Trail such as installing trash receptacles and recycling bins for aluminum and glass are needed Add dog waste management stations (i.e. biodegradable poo bags available to take and use along the trail)

1

No new development for section 8 housing and public transportation. It will destroy our town the is known as a recreational community.

1

Southwick should not be developed. Keep it a small town focusing on agriculture and recreation.

1

Want public sewer and no more septic, want fewer water bans, want improved and expanded recreational activities in town, some roads need repair

1

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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Growth Issues	Qty of Responses
Build Southwick up	1
Can we work on developing multi use retail on one property instead of continuing to build stand alone single unit stores w/ their own parking lot & entrance exit along College Highway. More developments like Gristmill plaza or Big Y vs. Tractor supply & Family Dollar & O'Reilly's.	1
Don't like large industrial	1
We need to expand the sewer system, and we need to plan developments and sewer infrastructure together.	1
No new development for section 8 housing and public transportation. It will destroy our town the is known as a recreational community.	1
From what I can see, too much is status quo with little to no innovation or forethought. No thinking outside a 1 or 2 year box.	1
A vastly growing community will need equal the amount of services.	1
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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Speeding Traffic	Qty of Responses
Commercial traffic (and private sector) speed excessively down S Longyard near the Ct border, often cutting across residential property	1
I believe the police department does not conduct traffic enforcement as much as it should.	1
Mr. Brown for the DPW is book smart but doesn't know the geology of Southwick. The traffic and speeding is a big problem in the center and side roads. Police are never around to monitor.	1
No many potholes and vehicles that tailgate or speed	1
Police don't run radar or patrol route 57 by the bike trail. Motorcycles, commercial trucks passenger cars go as fast as they want. Sewer tax much to high on 2 family homes. Roads are deteriorating and hard to cross in the center of town.. Senior center behind the times	1
police need to give more tickets out, roads in Southwick are severely neglected, transfer station costs way too much especially for seniors living on retirement	1
	6

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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Full Time EMS	Qty of Responses
As the population has grown, and the amount of people in need of emergency services , part time is not good enough. We have a beautiful fire station that is in need of a full time staff.	1
Many roads have not been paved for years: patches on top of patches: terrible. Open burning occurs with little consequence when it is reported. The house at 16 Fenton Drive burned to the ground a few years ago.	1
My experience with EMT services was very good and I do see police and fire presence but would like to know we have enough coverage both day and night for emergency services.	1
Need more full time employees in Fire and Ambulance Service. Roads require more maintenance and clearing.	1
Southwick is 20 years behind. We pay a lot in taxes and don't even have a full time station and ambulance. Schools are on septic ! Get with the program	1
With the rate of current development there should be a full time fire department	1
	6

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Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses

Westfield Dispatch

Qty of Responses

Emergency response is critical and A+ - though very discouraged that dispatch is now out of Westfield. I believe our DPW needs a course on proper tar/pot hole maintenance.

1

I chose unsatisfied for ambulance due to the fact my father in law lives across from there and was having an possible heart attack and needed to call Westfield for one all while we were looking at it parked across the street. I think the sewer project shouldn't be just lake side and be across town if possible. I also chose unsatisfied for the dump is because the hours they are open suck and last time we went on a Saturday it took over an hour there. That was the last time and we now pay for trash pick up.

1

Police department is understaffed. Fire , ambulance, and police calls are directed to another town and then redirected to Southwick which extends the response time to needed services. Also dispatchers from another town do not always know specific information.

1

Southwick EMTS seem uneducated/not confident in their abilities. I honestly would rather ask a neighbor to bring me to a hospital or wait for a Westfield ambulance

1

The town does a good job with services however some problems are getting worse. 911 call system. Crime prevention.

1

Town government losing control: regional public safety dispatch, loss LEPC school transportation, town department staffing heads non residents: police, building, clerk, COA, fire, IT, library, health - all non voting.

1

6

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses

Other

Qty of Responses

Not sure what was being shared with me on infrastructure.

1

Didn't understand it

1

For the love of John, a survey tool in the hands of a committee of chimpanzees!

1

I didn't understand the question

1

Rates have sky rocketed due to the pandemic. Knowing more persons working from home and taking advantage of that by raising rates on utilizes.

1

During COVID, Tammy Spencer was invisible. Residents had to go online to find info. No communication with paper.

1

6

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Slow Emergency Response	Qty of Responses
"After hours" fire emergencies - slow response. Insufficient well capacity; safety of water quality.	1
I chose unsatisfied for ambulance due to the fact my father in law lives across from there and was having an possible heart attack and needed to call Westfield for one all while we were looking at it parked across the street. I think the sewer project shouldn't be just lake side and be across town if possible. I also chose unsatisfied for the dump is because the hours they are open suck and last time we went on a Saturday it took over an hour there. That was the last time and we now pay for trash pick up.	1
Police department is understaffed. Fire , ambulance, and police calls are directed to another town and then redirected to Southwick which extends the response time to needed services. Also dispatchers from another town do not always know specific information.	1
Unless it's been changed our EMT still have to transfer to another towns ambulance due to certification I believe. We need ambulance teams that can handle it on their own.	1
	4

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses

Schools

Qty of Responses

The src is a treasure. So are our schools.

1

The scoops were rated very highly in the mid-eighties they the early 90's. Inservice opportunities were available for those who needed or wanted them. Teachers were encouraged to work with sack otheras they educated their students. Opportunities were available for advanced students to pursue challenging classes. All of this positivity was encouraged by an energetic, active, positive minded superintendent. The Principals were required to be out and about in the schools making sure that the teachers had realistic supplies and support, and that the budgets reflected these actionsneeds. Things have now changed but we need to rethink these past achievements. The town supported these efforts; town meetings we

1

The school system at times is not the greatest, there are issues within the school system that kids are not listened to about that do not get resolved and continue to be an issue

1

Hate to say it, but we need raise our transfer station fees and/or start per-bag disposal fees to get people to recycle properly and limit TS abuse. Also, we should implement food waste composting at our schools.

1

4

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
DPW	Qty of Responses
The board of health is not interested in public health, only political expediency. The same applies to the DPW.	1
Town should maintain all sidewalks and mow along edge of roads	1
THIS TOWN SPENDS MONEY LIKE IT GROWS ON TREES. It does NOT have an income problem, it has a WASTING problem. DPW is a major culprit. WHY THE HELL do we send so much equipment and labor to each highway job?? WASTE WASTE WASTE! 4 guys to dig out culverts and a police traffic detail? Holding shovels up and laughing at us because WE STILL PAY THEIR PAYCHECK!	1
Our street and all it's potholes resembles the moon. Also our street sign has been wrong for 10+ years (Sumer Drive, Summer Ave). It's Summer Drive!	1
	4

6

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses

Senior Services

Qty of Responses

Senior services has not historically provided needed services for seniors. Meals on wheels should be expanded. Van services expanded. In general no issues with other Town Services.

1

Police don't run radar or patrol route 57 by the bike trail. Motorcycles, commercial trucks passenger cars go as fast as they want. Sewer tax much to high on 2 family homes. Roads are deteriorating and hard to cross in the center of town.. Senior center behind the times

1

communication about services not clearly accessible for older citizens

1

Unless you own a car you're not getting anywhere around town or to neighboring towns no taxis or busses come here

1

4

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses

Congamond

Qty of Responses

Need to keep the towns shore line open for boat use in north pond used by many families a great amenity for boaters to land their boats there.

1

Only the sheriff boat is on the lakes. Understand the lake policeman retired. On North Pond counter clockwise is not understood.

1

the lake is for everybody. Un motored vessels are overwhelmed by the idiot motor boat, jet ski operators

1

3

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Fire Dept	Qty of Responses
Southwick EMTS seem uneducated/not confident in their abilities. I honestly would rather ask a neighbor to bring me to a hospital or wait for a Westfield ambulance	1
EMT drivers almost ran me off the road and turned on their siren within 5 feet of me riding a bike on Loomis Road. As a hearing impaired teacher for 30+ years, I do not appreciate being next to a siren at 110 - 120 db next to my ear. Loomis Road is in horrible condition and never improves.	1
The fire department hasn't been very good at saving houses in town.	1
	3

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses

Park Maintenance

Qty of Responses

I always feel there needs to be improvement on infrastructure and services as growth is inevitable for any town and the town has to keep up with maintenance

1

Improve playing fields options/availability

1

2

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Recreation Center	Qty of Responses
The rec center provides affordable child care and safe transportation to and from school. Also provides programs to keep kids busy. The rec center staff is very good with the kids and communication with the parents .	1
The src is a treasure. So are our schools.	1
	2

(Write in Response from Question 24)

Q. 24 Rate your satisfaction level for each of the following services that are currently provided by the Town of Southwick.

Actual Public Responses	
Fiber	Qty of Responses
I am extremely dissatisfied because we are not given very many options! Comcast and Eversource are monopolies!!! It's disgusting that they get away with what they charge! Why the Whip City Fiber was voted against is beyond me!	1
We need more options than Comcast. Fiber internet is the future. In my opinion it should be near the top of the list of importance.	1
	2

Question 25 Total Responses

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be provided by the Town of Southwick over the next 20 years?

Summary of Responses				
Non-write-in responses	Total Important	Total Not Important	Total No Opinion	Total Responses
	Count	Count	Count	Count
Wireless/fiber infrastructure	790	70	32	892
Alternative energy sources	695	157	37	889
Additional community health services	627	151	108	886
Community center with meeting space	622	196	68	886
More emergency services	622	169	99	890
Workforce training and continuing education	600	185	94	879
Additional senior services	596	138	150	884
Municipal trash pick-up service	470	342	78	890
Headings labeled "Somewhat Important" and "Very Important" have been added together into the column labeled "Important"				
Headings labeled "Not Important at All" and "Not Very Important" have been added together into the column labeled "Not Important"				

Question 25 Total Responses

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be provided by the Town of Southwick over the next 20 years?

Summary of Responses				
Write-in Responses	Total Important	Total Not Important	Total No Opinion	Total Responses
Other	10	2	0	12
Human services	9	0	0	9
Water/Sewer	6	0	0	6
Schools	5	1	0	6
Alternative energy	4	1	0	5
Fiber/Internet	4	0	0	4
Taxes	4	0	0	4
DPW	2	0	0	2
Parks and Recreation	2	0	0	2
	46	4	0	50

(Write in Response from Question 25)

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be provided by the Town of Southwick over the next 20 years?

Actual Responses Below

Other	Important	Not important
"Other" or Freehand Response	Qty	Qty
co farming spaces	1	0
Arts and entertainment promotion	0	1
More bike trails along major roads that are wider than 2 feet.	1	0
The flexibility for these infrastructures and services to develop in tandem with the changing face of the town...	1	0
Mass public housing	0	1
Community-Controlled Ecological Restoration Sites	1	0
Emergency sheltering and equipment, Disaster-relief, CBRN-event protection and response	1	0
Porta potty and trash receptacle at heavily used conservation areas	1	0
Limiting heavy vehicles from using our residential roads. They ruin our roads, make for dangerous traffic, and shouldn't be traveling thru residential neighborhoods where kids are playing, people are walking, and folks are riding bikes and walking	1	0
See lots of mission creep in this list. If folks want municipal trash service, they need to locate in Longmeadow or Simsbury.	1	0
Community Gym. 24 hour badge access.	1	0
5g expansion	1	0
	10	2

(Write in Response from Question 25)

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be provided by the Town of Southwick over the next 20 years?

Actual Responses Below

Human Services

Response

Important

Not

important

Qty

Qty

Seniors helping seniors; seniors helping in the schools

1

0

Childcare options

1

0

Special needs and young person's community center

1

0

Summer camps for children, summer care and activities for children

1

0

Veteran services department/center like we have for senior services

1

0

agricultural education/ resources

1

0

Full time Fire Dept is necessary

1

0

Volunteer programs

1

0

Workforce training and continuing education for town employees

1

0

9

0

(Write in Response from Question 25)

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be provided by the Town of Southwick over the next 20 years?

Actual Responses Below

Water/Sewer Response	Important	Not important
	Qty	Qty
Access to water and sewer	1	0
Extend town water	1	0
Improved water supply and treatment services	1	0
Sewer hook ups for residential	1	0
Water	1	0
Reduced taxes and water bills for the elderly	1	0
	6	0

(Write in Response from Question 25)

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be provided by the Town of Southwick over the next 20 years?

Actual Responses Below

Schools Response	Important	Not important
	Qty	Qty
Better school system	1	0
CRT in our schools	0	1
Protection for schools and education about stranger danger and drug use.	1	0
Voc school @ SRHS	1	0
Seniors helping seniors; seniors helping in the schools	1	0
voucher system for private schools	1	0
	5	1

(Write in Response from Question 25)

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be provided by the Town of Southwick over the next 20 years?

Actual Responses Below

Alternative Energy

Response	Important	Not important
	Qty	Qty
Build a natural gas fired power plant	1	0
Development of the town hinges on this issue!!	1	0
Starlink and private energy sources will replace the utilities	1	0
wind/ solar farms	0	1
	4	1

(Write in Response from Question 25)

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be provided by the Town of Southwick over the next 20 years?

Actual Responses Below

Fiber/Internet

Response	Category 1	Qty	Not Important Qty
Wireless/Mobile Coverage	fiber	1	0
options for internet	fiber	1	0
Comcast has a monopoly on the town. Very unfair prices. Should get our own internet.	fiber/internet	1	0
Fiber to the home	fiber/internet	1	0
		4	0

(Write in Response from Question 25)

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be provided by the Town of Southwick over the next 20 years?

Actual Responses Below

Taxes Response	Important	Not important
	Qty	Qty
voucher system for private schools	1	0
Reduced taxes and water bills for the elderly	1	0
Lower property taxes	1	0
Use or money wisely	1	0
	4	0

(Write in Response from Question 25)

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be
Actual Responses Below

DPW Response	Important	Not important
	Qty	Qty
More transfer stations	1	0
A municipal trash program if it included recycling and composting	1	0
	2	0

(Write in Response from Question 25)

25. How important are the following potential services and amenities that could be provided by the Town of Southwick over the next 20 years?

Actual Responses Below

Parks and Recreation

Response	Important Qty	Not important Qty
Park and Rec youth program development	1	0
Parks and recreational services	1	0
	2	0

(Write in Response from Question 32)

32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?

Summary of Responses

427 of the 646 responders actually gave a rating to the school system

Rating	Qty	% of total	Cum %
Good	172	40.3	40.3
Average	124	29.0	69.3
Excellent	98	23.0	92.3
Below average	33	7.7	100.0
	427	100	

	Qty	% of total
Good + Excellent =	270	63.2

The 646 responders also gave their opinions to several topics. Here is a summary of those topics

Category	Total	% of Total	Cum Total	Cum %
1 No opinion	90	20.5	90	20.5
2 Admin negative	50	11.4	140	32.0
3 Too liberal	44	10.0	184	42.0
4 Other	44	10.0	228	52.1
5 Funding	37	8.4	265	60.5
6 Teacher positive	22	5.0	287	65.5
7 Vocational	20	4.6	307	70.1
8 Advanced classes	17	3.9	324	74.0
9 Facilities	16	3.7	340	77.6
10 Admin positive	13	3.0	353	80.6
11 Taxes	12	2.7	365	83.3
12 Special needs	11	2.5	376	85.8
13 Music/Arts	11	2.5	387	88.4
14 Athletics	11	2.5	398	90.9
15 Communication	9	2.1	407	92.9
16 Security	7	1.6	414	94.5
17 Bullying	5	1.1	419	95.7
18 Too political	5	1.1	424	96.8
19 Teachers' pay	5	1.1	429	97.9
20 Diversity	5	1.1	434	99.1
21 Teacher negative	4	0.9	438	100.0
	438	100		

This summary combines the two charts above

	Category	Total	% of Total	Cum Total	Cum %
1	Good	172	19.9	132	15.3
2	Average	124	14.3	256	29.6
3	Excellent	98	11.3	354	40.9
4	No opinion	90	10.4	444	51.3
5	Admin negative	50	5.8	494	57.1
6	Too liberal	44	5.1	538	62.2
7	Other	44	5.1	582	67.3
8	Funding	37	4.3	619	71.6
9	Below average	33	3.8	652	75.4
10	teacher positive	22	2.5	674	77.9
11	Vocational	20	2.3	694	80.2
12	Advanced classes	17	2.0	711	82.2
13	Facilities	16	1.8	727	84.0
14	Admin positive	13	1.5	740	85.5
15	Taxes	12	1.4	752	86.9
16	Special needs	11	1.3	763	88.2
17	Music/Arts	11	1.3	774	89.5
18	Athletics	11	1.3	785	90.8
19	Communication	9	1.0	794	91.8
20	Security	7	0.8	801	92.6
21	Bullying	5	0.6	806	93.2
22	Too political	5	0.6	811	93.8
23	Teachers' pay	5	0.6	816	94.3
24	Diversity	5	0.6	821	94.9
25	Teacher negative	4	0.5	825	95.4
		865	100.0		

(Write in Response from Question 32)

32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Good Rating**

Key words that responders used that qualify it for the "Good" rating: good, quality education, positive, pleased, fine, above average, decent, solid, pretty good, capable, favorable and well respected

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Good	Category	Qty of responses
1	The school system is well run and provides a quality education. It is a large portion of our Town budget and expenditures should be closely monitored and evaluated.	good	1
12	good but needs more money	good	1
25	They are competitive	good	1
28	Good but could improve	good	1
38	Good	good	1
40	Could be better, but better than surrounding communities. Administratively top-heavy structure slow to respond to parents concerns	good	1
49	They are good schools.	good	1
51	I think they do well with the no kid left behind rules they have been delt	good	1
55	Positive. I am not currently involved. But have heard positive things.	good	1
57	Good	good	1
58	Pleased so far. Administrators and teachers are welcoming and my children love it	good	1
67	They are doing a good job	good	1
584	Good; do not have children in the school system, but have heard they are decent.	good	1
355	Part of why we moved here is the reputation the public school system has.	good	1
69	I think they are good, I do not fully agree with grades 6-12 being in the same school though.	good	1
73	Positive	good	1
80	They're fine	good	1
87	Good	good	1
91	Good	good	1

Response #	Good	Category	Qty of responses
95	Good	good	1
101	Good	good	1
102	Good.	good	1
104	Good but expensive	good	1
105	Good	good	1
110	Good	good	1
117	They did fine for my kids, it just costs too much, like everywhere.	good	1
122	In good shape	good	1
127	Good as far as I can tell. I have no school aged children so don't really know.	good	1
128	Fine	good	1
129	Good but can always be better.	good	1
132	My 3 children got a good education in Southwick. A very good school environment.	good	1
136	seems good	good	1
137	Good.	good	1
138	Good	good	1
139	Good	good	1
142	Good to very good	good	1
149	good enough, probably more than we need.	good	1
150	Mostly positive	good	1
156	good, but always room for improvement	good	1
158	Fairly positive - starting to push the "woke" narrative which I totally disagree with.	good	1
167	They could be better and need better leaders	good	1
169	I believe they are fine. I have heard of no issues. My own kids went to school in Westfield (St. Mary's).	good	1
175	Good	good	1
176	I believe that we have a good school system that supports the growth of our children.	good	1
180	The school system is good	good	1
181	Better than most	good	1
188	My children got a good education here.	good	1
192	impressed as long as they continue to allow parent/guardian input and not follow government directives	good	1
195	Good. Meets the needs of my child.	good	1
197	They are good. You can get out what you put into it.	good	1
199	Physically above average. Socially, philosophically declining.	good	1
201	They are good	good	1
209	good	good	1
210	Good, but too much of the town tax goes to maintaining them.	good	1
220	They seem to be fine.	good	1
227	Schools are fine and functioning well.	good	1

Response 370			
#	Good	Category	Qty of responses
231	I've heard they're pretty good. Don't have kids in them yet.	good	1
233	I have been very satisfied with the school systems.	good	1
245	Overall very satisfied with the schools here.	good	1
256	I believe they are above average.	good	1
257	Nice my children attended	good	1
262	Good	good	1
279	They are a good system	good	1
388	Loved the elementary school. Moved my kids after 6th grade to private school due to lack of support.	good	1
571	good schools, poor spending choices for upgrades.	good	1
157	My son attended Southwick Schools and at the time he graduated, we were very pleased with the fine teachers he was exposed to. I have no current knowledge of the school system but fear and strongly oppose the current trend to incorporate CRT and supposed equity indoctrination for innocent children	good	1
232	I went to school there. I graduated in 2015. As long as they aren't pushing "woke" ideology they are fine. But if they do promote woke ideology I will not send my children there.	good	1
567	Good to Fair, more emphasis needed on core skills (Math, Language Arts, Science, Technology)	good	1
626	They were good 40 years ago when my kids attended but now I have the feel they are leaning a little toward woke which I disagree with.	good	1
16	They overall do a good job. They need to improve their transparency and communication with parents. Seek out the parents' opinions on matters that will affect their children. Do not just rely on the opinions of the teachers' union or career educators.	good	1
251	Decent school system. The structure seems to work for the students. More communication to residents about activities and functions whether they have students in the system or not.	good	1
345	The schools in Southwick are fine, although they offer little assistance to those with learning disabilities or special needs, often leading those kids not to get the help they need and falling behind	good	1
514	For my grown biological children, Southwick schools provided a good education. For my current two teenage adopted Latino trauma children the school system has fallen far short of providing them with FAPE. Every year is a struggle. We want to see a change where Southwick actually cares about ALL children regardless of their background, ethnicity, or educational needs. Children on IEPs at Southwick do not get what they need unless the parents are proactively involved in their children's education!	good	1
224	Educationally, they're fine, but nothing to brag about. The structures are great. Love the one campus set up New track is fabulous	good	1
471	Good and getting better. Keep staying competitive in technology	good	1

Response #	Good	Category	Qty of responses
399	A diverse, strong and well-funded school system is good for our community and improves property values. I would like to see increased funding for teacher retention and recruiting highly qualified diverse teachers and administrators. Expanded funding of the arts and sciences as well as fully funded preschool.	good	1
444	School systems are good but if our classes are getting smaller, can we utilize the school better by shutting down and condensing to save money.	good	1
466	Good schools, would like to see vocational school in town vs having to bus out.	good	1
297	Good education but with some sports we have to send kids elsewhere to play. I.e. Lacrosse football	good	1
363	Solid but not great. I wish there was football and other activities for the kids.	good	1
446	For what we used of the Southwick Public schools I feel it is a well established system...a bit disorganized at times...our daughter attended 8th thru 12th Grades at the high school in Southwick. And this town NEEDS a football team in the school system!!	good	1
370	I have had good experiences with the school district. Our children enjoy going and have had great teachers. There are a few things I would not mind changing however	good	1
368	Fortunately my children are older. One is just graduated. The other is a junior. I think they have done well in school partly because of strong parental support. I do feel concerned over the new generation of teachers coming in+B108to the education system to teach young children as a whole.	good	1
18	Good special education support, overall education in town has improved over the past few years. Not a fan of political discussions in school, as far as teachers sharing which way they lean or making seemingly unpatriotic statements. They should remain neutral.	good	1
20	Good	good	1
108	Seems decent. Happy hearing students have specific STEM classes that include robotics, programming, etc.	good	1
275	Graduated from Southwick Public Schools in 2016. Was very satisfied with my education, but more needs to be done to support minority groups, particularly the LGBTQ community. I am aware of several students who had to leave the school system in the last several years due to systematic bullying by students, and a lack of intervention by staff.	good	1
289	hear good things	good	1
291	Better than average	good	1
294	I went to Southwick schools for my entire education. I have nothing but positive memories. The teachers deserve the best, and deserve the pay.	good	1

Response #	Good	Category	Qty of responses
303	good	good	1
304	Good	good	1
310	Positive	good	1
317	They are fine.	good	1
327	Provide a very good education and they strive to foster a positive school-community relationship.	good	1
329	They were good for my children	good	1
330	pretty good	good	1
331	The school project substantially improved our school buildings and infrastructure. The quality of education has been good for our children. We are pleased.	good	1
333	Good.	good	1
337	They appear to be good. Most all schools can do better. The parking at the high school is a problem. The students should be restricted on who can park there. And there should be a semi semester parking fee. It should be a privilege not a right.	good	1
338	positive	good	1
341	They are better than Westfield's	good	1
351	Good system	good	1
353	Not entirely sure I didn't grow up here and don't have kids, but I ask everyone who went through the school system and almost all were happy with it.	good	1
354	They are good	good	1
369	All my children benefited from a professional public school system. As parents we were involved in our children's education and enjoyed our time volunteering	good	1
376	good	good	1
377	Improving and evolving.	good	1
382	They are good but not excellent	good	1
387	They are above average. My children did well and went on to good colleges thanks to Southwick Public Schools.	good	1
390	Solid education system	good	1
394	So far so good, but I haven't heard good things about the regional school, I'll+B161 find out in a week or so.	good	1
395	Good	good	1
397	They have always been a decent school system but could use a little bit of modernization	good	1
398	Good, but based on perception, not from having children in the system.	good	1
400	They were pretty good 20 years ago but I don't have any recent information about the schools	good	1
407	Good	good	1
409	I think the schools are good. Dislike all the focus on testing (more a Mass requirement).	good	1
413	Good but not great!	good	1

Response #	Good	Category	Qty of responses
414	The schools are decent, our boys have done well.	good	1
415	Overall good school system.	good	1
417	Positive; Well-staffed.	good	1
421	pretty good	good	1
430	I believe the school system provides a quality education to its students.	good	1
433	none at the moment. Both my boys went to the Southwick schools and had a very good education. Really don't know how the children are being taught now.	good	1
445	Good	good	1
454	Very friendly and helpful	good	1
456	FINE	good	1
460	Good	good	1
463	We used to live in Granville, and our children went to GVS. I feel that GVS and the high school created a firm foundation for college.	good	1
476	I believe we have a good school system in Southwick and with the additions to the buildings, we should eliminate the need for an additional school for many years.	good	1
479	Good school system	good	1
481	good	good	1
483	good	good	1
490	good	good	1
500	They where good when I went there 1995-2005 I don't know how it is now	good	1
505	They did a good job for our son	good	1
509	Good	good	1
510	Good	good	1
518	Good, I have 5 kids that graduated and went on to college.	good	1
524	Currently not aware of capability of schools, previous considered them very capable	good	1
526	In general it is Positive. It would be good if a wider variety of people could be encouraged to participate in the schools and be elected to the school committee. My children attended the Southwick schools through grade 8.	good	1
530	Generally positive but should remain focused on teaching fundamental subjects to prepare students for college and trade schools.	good	1
538	good, could be better	good	1
540	Good.	good	1
542	Good	good	1
543	I am not directly familiar with the current school system. My children both went through Southwick schools and have done very well, both in college and afterward.	good	1
555	Good . Need to retain and hire quality people	good	1

Response #	Good	Category	Qty of responses
562	They appear to be doing a decent job of educating youth.	good	1
563	Good	good	1
564	Very solid systems. Kids need more social recreation options. Even if involving indoor or "nerdy" activities	good	1
569	Overall I have a favorable perception of the school system.	good	1
588	Fine to good for Elementary and High School. Did not like the "team" approach to middle school.	good	1
595	Good	good	1
596	Positive	good	1
606	Good	good	1
607	As a graduate (1989) I am a fan.	good	1
610	Students receive a sound education.	good	1
611	Good	good	1
612	Favorable, from what I know. I have no children or grandchildren in the schools, so am not that knowledgeable.	good	1
616	A smaller system doing a good job with somewhat limited resources.	good	1
618	Good as far as I know	good	1
625	Better than most schools	good	1
628	Because of living in a senior community, I have zero interaction with school age children and their families now, but while raising our own children and teaching in the Southwick schools, I felt our town stood with the best.	good	1
629	Good	good	1
635	The school system is better than some in surrounding towns.	good	1
638	I went through all grades in Southwick, had a good experience, don't know about now, but they look good.	good	1
643	Believe them to be of high quality	good	1
653	Quality	good	1
655	Moderately good.	good	1
659	Good - somewhat out of touch by 10 years	good	1
660	Seen as respected system	good	1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Average Rating**

Key words that responders used that qualify it for the "Average" rating: average, adequate, acceptable, on par, neutral, fair, could be better, mediocre, unexceptional, okay, fairly good, not great, not impressed, alright, so and not good

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Average	Category	Qty of responses
3	I feel they were superb and safe when I attended for 12 years here, and it was a strong reason why I stayed in Southwick to raise my daughter here. I don't have children in school now, but I hear that many parents are not as thrilled as I was when my daughter was in the schools. My perception, then, is that the quality of core education is acceptable, but the atmosphere may be testing many parents' thresholds.	average	1
8	They are adequate. For almost all schools, it is the level of commitment by the student and the family that assures a great outcome.	average	1
10	They seem decent so far	average	1
15	Needs improvement	average	1
32	ON PAR WITH SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES	average	1
36	Going downhill.	average	1
42	Plenty of room to improve.	average	1
45	Neutral	average	1
52	Fair to good	average	1
54	Could be better.	average	1
79	Average	average	1
76	Average. Need more resources for student mental health support.	average	1
77	Neutral	average	1
81	Mediocre	average	1
89	I've seen worse	average	1
94	Unexceptional	average	1
114	Just okay. I currently send my children to private school.	average	1
120	Average	average	1
121	We were satisfied with the education that our children received.	average	1
124	I graduated from SHS and so did my kids. It's an average school.	average	1
126	I think for the reputation of the town it should have a better school. US News and Report didn't rank Southwick very well. We should be using a top tier school to attract top tier residents like they do in Simsbury, CT.	average	1

Response #	Average	Category	Qty of responses
131	they seem adequate but my kids are past using them so this is an opinion based on historical usage	average	1
133	Mediocre rather than competitive	average	1
146	Elementary is great. High school is trending downwards fast with the fact they are doing away with high honors classes which really excludes students-enough so we are considering finding another high school that offers more selection	average	1
155	Could be better	average	1
168	Average	average	1
178	Fairly good	average	1
182	Fairly good	average	1
184	It's a small town so some class options available in larger districts are not available here. Overall quality is acceptable.	average	1
191	Okay, but not great.	average	1
198	Average or slightly above average.	average	1
219	We don't have any kids, however, people we know have said they are improving but still need to be better.	average	1
228	Mediocre	average	1
240	Pretty good. Teachers and staff are great, compared to neighboring schools the buildings are better.	average	1
241	My child was prepared academically. The social environment was difficult for all my children.	average	1
243	Southwick has always had a great educational system	average	1
248	Limited personal knowledge but people I have conversations with are overall okay with schools in the district.	average	1
249	not bad- always room for improvement	average	1
250	adequate	average	1
265	Adequate	average	1
269	Probably not the best in the area - Granby CT ranked better yet 10min away. Improved education benefits may bring in more families.	average	1
278	the teaching could be better as well as the ability to hire staff in the schools	average	1
284	Could be better, but not terrible	average	1
320	Not impressed. There is no discipline.	average	1
383	During the time my children attended Southwick Public Schools, I was satisfied with the education they received, with the exception of block scheduling in the high school. This format of scheduling proved to be ineffective with a lot of wasted time. I would strongly urge the town to look at other options. Perhaps they no longer offer the block schedule and I am not aware of the change.	average	1
428	Adequate. I have limited knowledge of the current state/level/quality of education in the schools. However, I have heard complaints about the environment within the schools to the point of residents moving for the benefit of their child.	average	1

Response #	Average	Category	Qty of responses
652	Quality of education seems to be declining in high school due to apathy of teachers. Need immediate evaluation of all educators.	average	1
141	They are okay . I have two children who are currently attending them I am a teacher in a different district and Southwick is just OK. They do not have a good special education program they do not have a lot of resources and funding like the bigger cities around and they have a high turnover of teachers	average	1
236	I really don't have much to say. It's a public school, I don't think it's any worse than the schools in any other surrounding towns. I went to Southwick High and I turned out just fine. However, from the stories I have heard I can say that it sounds like our special education program is an absolute nightmare.	average	1
361	OK, not great. Seems like nearly every kid is in "Special Education" of some sort, which saps resources.	average	1
568	They could be better. Schools get money for number of school attendees. They get more if they are 'special needs'. Southwick tends to diagnose a lot of special needs even if they aren't for the money	average	1
381	Adequate, but lacking opportunities for sufficient or expansive technical education, i.e. robotics and computer-science; coding/programming.	average	1
238	They are okay. Not enough money is funded to them so many curriculums are bad. The language department is a wreck as most (specifically Spanish) teachers are hired one year and fired the next. These teachers also do not receive a specific curriculum to follow. Our art department is severely lacking. The overall atmosphere is okay and there is an effort to improve and be more inclusive.	average	1
523	The teachers and Paras do NOT get paid enough. the school is rated 5 out of 10 when you look up housing in the area. Not a good look for the town at all. Many people without kids do not want to pay into the system. Without well paid teachers and paras that are not supported, the system will come crashing down.	average	1
575	Okay; underfunded	average	1
577	We have not lived in the town long and most of our time has been during the pandemic, but my initial perception of the school is that they can be improved, especially in regard to creating more robust athletic/extracurricular programming.	average	1
527	Not very good.... In the past the school system has always been very good , but I feel it is starting to fail our children. The teachers need more support and education in how to help our children who need it, Also I feel certain people who are hired should be made to have the correct and needed education to help all!!!!!!! People who are in charge should have the experience and proper credentials!!!	average	1
384	seems to be going downhill. was better back in the 80's / 90's. there is less support for band, music programs. Appears many people are choosing to send their children out of town.	average	1

Response #	Average	Category	Qty of responses
21	Adequate	average	1
33	Average. Leadership isn't very open to new ways of thinking, creating diversity or embracing the agricultural advantages of the community for the benefit of the students(learning and healthy foods)	average	1
140	I haven't heard anything negative about them, but nothing overly positive either.	average	1
143	They aren't the best . They need a new superintendent. Schools were good now scores are down , behaviors increased , high teacher turnover . Not the best	average	1
239	Alright, limited elective class options is the only downfall	average	1
288	They could be better. They do not have a good reputation. I am a real estate agent. Clients will say to me, I will live in Longmeadow or Suffield because of the school system. No one ever says that about Southwick.	average	1
290	Somewhat positive, although my children have been out of the system for over twenty years, so not very aware of current situation	average	1
292	OK. Not as good as they used to be.	average	1
295	Generally OK, but not very friendly or hospitable to music and the other arts. Some recent high school principals seem more interested in taking the position to boost their retirement, rather than to serve the students.	average	1
296	Ok	average	1
299	Acceptable	average	1
301	Better than some, worse than some. Elementary is the best. Do not like woke policies, critical race theory, etc.	average	1
308	Mediocre	average	1
318	Adequate. Don't spend more money on offices and such.	average	1
319	So far I've only had 1 child attend Woodland for Kindergarten. Her experience was positive, but I felt there was a huge lack of parent involvement opportunities within the classroom. Not sure if this is related to covid or if it's standard.	average	1
323	Not impressed	average	1
326	mediocre	average	1
342	I do not have any children in the public schools as they are adults now, but the school system appears to be adequate to me i.e. covering all the required courses for graduation.	average	1
347	I received an adequate education in Southwick. But when I got into the real world I found that the quality of the education I received was not as good as I thought. The problem of drugs in our schools is not recognized. WE spend too much on admin.	average	1
352	Could be better, could be worse. As a Massachusetts town, on the lower end. As a national average, above most. 7-10	average	1
362	Needs a lot of improvement in many areas	average	1
367	They are mediocre for a town that is double the states median income.	average	1
372	The school system is mediocre/adequate.	average	1
391	fair	average	1

Response #	Average	Category	Qty of responses
396	Adequate but we will not be using them.	average	1
402	Fair.	average	1
403	acceptable	average	1
408	Not good	average	1
411	So so	average	1
418	They seem adequate	average	1
420	Appear adequate. No personal knowledge.	average	1
424	need improvement	average	1
439	Adequate. Need smaller class sizes	average	1
451	Could use some work	average	1
457	Satisfactory	average	1
458	Average	average	1
469	We moved here initially because this school system was rated right behind Longmeadow and Wilbraham. That is not the case anymore.	average	1
472	acceptable	average	1
474	adequate	average	1
486	Good for the area. Overall mediocre	average	1
494	Not impressed	average	1
495	Satisfied	average	1
499	Not sure yet, my daughter is very young. From what I hear it's not terrible	average	1
504	They are ok, both my girls went through the system. They had great teachers/support systems and not so great teachers.	average	1
512	Adequate	average	1
521	They could have been better when my three children went to school there.	average	1
522	Mid-range.	average	1
533	Room for improvement	average	1
548	Southwick public schools provide adequate education that prepare the children for college if so chosen.	average	1
559	I went to Southwick schools K-12.Good faculty/facilities. Mediocre preparation for college.	average	1
586	Adequate	average	1
590	Not good but not terrible	average	1
592	Fair	average	1
593	I'm public school educated from the Southwick schools and am satisfied	average	1
594	Average	average	1
602	I think they are ok Disappointed in educational opportunities for adults	average	1
613	OK	average	1
624	OK - not as good as it was 1-2 generations ago	average	1
627	Adequate	average	1
631	Could be improved	average	1
632	Acceptable but not outstanding	average	1
633	ADEQUATE	average	1
634	So-so	average	1

Response #	Average	Category	Qty of responses
648	Good facilities, marginal educational results	average	1
651	Once very good - now going downhill	average	1
656	Academically on par with surrounding towns.	average	1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Excellent Rating**

Key words that responders used that qualify it for the "Excellent" rating: excellent, very good, great, wonderful, terrific, very satisfied, valuable asset, outstanding, high quality and awesome

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Excellent	Category	Qty of responses
2	They have earned a grade of A-	excellent	1
13	They are wonderful	excellent	1
22	Very satisfied	excellent	1
27	From my experience, very good.	excellent	1
30	great experience so far with our preschooler	excellent	1
37	Very good	excellent	1
41	Great school, administration needs to change. I am heavily involved in the school system and I have huge problems with the principal of Powder Mill. It'd be nice to see changes for the better.	excellent	1
43	Great perception	excellent	1
46	Very good	excellent	1
50	I have no kids in school. I hear they are excellent however all my 6k taxes are going towards education. We should get a rebate over 55	excellent	1
65	I think the schools are great	excellent	1
86	My adult children received a very good education in the system but about 20 years ago. Don't know present status.	excellent	1
88	Great as long as no CRT allowed in our schools. I think we need all history, math and the type of learning so our kids and grandkids have a fair chance in this world.	excellent	1
93	Very good. Teachers thus far have been terrific and very supportive and open with our children	excellent	1
96	Excellent schools. They need air conditioning.	excellent	1
100	Very good, We relocated to Southwick based on the school system and have been very pleased.	excellent	1
107	They generally exceed expectations.	excellent	1

Response #	Excellent	Category	Qty of responses
109	Southwick schools are very good. Possibly even the best in the state. I am always in touch with my son's teacher and IEP teachers. I am very satisfied with the schools. I do however ask about when kids learn about strangers , drugs, the bad things that possibly happen in today's society. No one seems to have a answer. I believe firmly the schools should have security, have a dare program, and teach the children about stranger danger. Too much going on in today's world to just be gentle and ignore or look the other way on reality.	excellent	1
111	Very good	excellent	1
116	Very good	excellent	1
119	The schools are wonderful	excellent	1
123	I have two kids at SRS and have been very happy with the education they are getting.	excellent	1
109	Southwick schools are very good. Possibly even the best in the state. I am always in touch with my son's teacher and iep teachers. I am very satisfied with the schools. I do however ask about when kids learn about strangers , drugs, the bad things that possibly happen in today's society. No one seems to have a answer. I believe firmly the schools should have security, have a dare program, and teach the children about stranger danger. Too much going on in today's world to just be gentle and ignore or look the other way on reality.	excellent	1
147	excellent	excellent	1
153	Very good, but only due to what I've heard.	excellent	1
154	Very good	excellent	1
160	They are very good but could use updating to the buildings	excellent	1
161	Very good schools.	excellent	1
165	Excellent but need to stay away from the gender debate & not force anything on families & kids There are 2 genders that's it anything else should not be covered in public schools	excellent	1
171	Excellent	excellent	1
172	Very good. Could be more competitive	excellent	1
186	Excellent	excellent	1
193	Very good.	excellent	1
204	Excellent	excellent	1
206	Very good	excellent	1
214	Very good	excellent	1
216	They are Excellent	excellent	1
218	Woodland is terrific with my son!	excellent	1
222	We have had a very positive experience so far. The staff has been very friendly and asked a lot of good questions to help our child adjust and thrive. Love that a lot of the school activists are shared so we know what's going on in the schools	excellent	1

Response #	Excellent	Category	Qty of responses
223	Great however we could use some more AP classes and IP classes as colleges are looking for these and we are limited We need to offer kids more classes for extracurricular choices. They have lost many over the last 3 years such as architectural course was offered and is no longer	excellent	1
229	Were very good schools	excellent	1
234	Great	excellent	1
242	Excellent	excellent	1
261	Excellent but I do not have kids or grandkids there.	excellent	1
271	very good	excellent	1
272	very good	excellent	1
273	Excellent, they have come a long way since I was a student there.	excellent	1
280	I have heard that the school system is very good.	excellent	1
298	They were considered very good when we moved here over 20 years ago.	excellent	1
300	As someone without children, my impression is the Southwick Public Schools are very good.	excellent	1
309	I think they are very good. Well maintained and run. The teachers are great. I believe all improvements begin at home. In order for the testing levels to improve parents need to be more involved. Unfortunately the schools can't control that. They are doing great.	excellent	1
311	Excellent. I taught there for 40 years and we were always known as an excellent school system.	excellent	1
325	Very good	excellent	1
332	They are amazing!	excellent	1
334	Very good	excellent	1
336	Excellent school system	excellent	1
349	Schools are great	excellent	1
350	9/10	excellent	1
356	Great school system but lack diversity at all levels. Also, need to provide more Physical Education options for our students.	excellent	1
357	Very good excellent	excellent	1
365	Very good	excellent	1
375	Generally very good and god bless our teachers for devoting such great efforts to ensure student safety and continued schooling throughout the COVID pandemic.	excellent	1
378	Very good, I love Southwick Public Schools :)	excellent	1
405	Having gone through all levels, I had a great experience. I always perceived them as high quality. Lately, I feel the leadership of the school is directing them toward a politicized educational system. I do not agree with critical race theory or including personal beliefs in our young children's education.	excellent	1
406	Excellent!	excellent	1

Response #	Excellent	Category	Qty of responses
422	high quality	excellent	1
437	Very Good, my son went to the public schools and college and is doing very well	excellent	1
438	Southwick Public Schools are of very high quality and provide a safe and beneficial place to learn. However, the schools are on a smaller scale and thus don't have access to many things that other school systems have, such as certain clubs and sports like football. Despite this, the school is very inclusive to all students regardless of ethnicity, religion, sexuality, etc., and the education provided at the Southwick Public Schools is very high quality.	excellent	1
443	They do a great job but like anything can always be improved	excellent	1
450	Overall very good. We need to expand opportunities for vocational/technical, the arts, STEM	excellent	1
468	Very good	excellent	1
473	very good up to date with computers and class size	excellent	1
477	very good	excellent	1
487	Valuable asset to the community	excellent	1
497	I think highly of our schools.	excellent	1
501	Very good	excellent	1
511	Very good	excellent	1
516	Very good	excellent	1
532	My son has graduated but I was very happy with the school system.	excellent	1
556	Excellent	excellent	1
558	They are great	excellent	1
561	Outstanding	excellent	1
578	Excellent education for a variety of skill levels.	excellent	1
579	Excellent & has improved over the years	excellent	1
580	Very good!	excellent	1
582	Very good school system with a sense of inclusion for all when our sons attended years ago.	excellent	1
597	The SOUTHWICK school system is great. It could be excellent IF THE STATE WOULD BACK OFF and LET THE TEACHERS TEACH. If the teachers had some aggressive town government officials behind them, they could push back at the state for breathing room in their classrooms. It is a safe district, bring back the DARE program and encourage police presence on campus to build healthy public & police relationship at young ages.	excellent	1
598	Just entered my child but I attended there and I think they are the best in the area.	excellent	1
603	It was great for my children My daughter taught at the high school later.	excellent	1

Response #	Excellent	Category	Qty of responses
608	They were excellent when my children attended. I think the arts need to be encouraged. And respect should be taught. Parents should be encouraged to support the teachers!	excellent	1
622	Very good	excellent	1
641	Great	excellent	1
647	Excellent	excellent	1
649	Awesome!	excellent	1
663	Excellent	excellent	1
664	Very good	excellent	1
665	Very good but no longer have children in the system.	excellent	1
208	We had a great experience for 13 years	excellent	1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	No Opinion	Category	Qty of responses
17	No comment.. Do not have children in public schools	no opinion	1
31	Unknown	no opinion	1
39	No opinion	no opinion	1
47	Unsure	no opinion	1
48	N/A	no opinion	1
53	I have no children in public schools	no opinion	1
66	N/A	no opinion	1
83	I have no interaction with the Public School system in Southwick.	no opinion	1
85	Never have been involved so no opinion	no opinion	1
90	No opinion	no opinion	1
98	I don't have children in school so I don't know	no opinion	1
113	Do not use the school system.	no opinion	1
115	I have not been involved with the schools	no opinion	1
118	Little to no opinion. Probably better than a lot of the surrounding areas, especially further east.	no opinion	1
125	I do not know	no opinion	1
145	WE HAVE NO CHILDREN IN LOCAL SCHOOLS	no opinion	1
159	None. My son graduated years ago. I don't now much about them anymore.	no opinion	1
173	Na	no opinion	1
179	none	no opinion	1
183	Don't have children in the schools	no opinion	1
187	I do not have children in the school system.	no opinion	1
189	do not use	no opinion	1
196	Seems like great schools, we do not have children in the school so we don't have personal experience	no opinion	1
200	No opinion	no opinion	1
202	No opinion	no opinion	1
203	We have no children in the school system.	no opinion	1
230	None	no opinion	1
235	N/A	no opinion	1
247	n/a	no opinion	1
258	No current perception	no opinion	1
267	I don't have a perception because I have no children in the school system.	no opinion	1

Response #	No Opinion	Category	Qty of responses
268	Do not have school age children so have had no direct contact with the schools. My perception is that the school buildings and grounds look well maintained and adequate but I have never been in any of the buildings.	no opinion	1
274	Have not used	no opinion	1
166	no comment	no opinion	1
263	NA	no opinion	1
286	Have not used	no opinion	1
302	Ambivalent. I don't have any direct experience with the schools. My children went to secular private schools.	no opinion	1
313	Don't know, grew up in Westfield	no opinion	1
314	never attended. Have no children in it	no opinion	1
340	I don't have children so I don't have an opinion since I graduated high school in 2010 before the remodel	no opinion	1
343	Don't have much knowledge about the school system	no opinion	1
358	No Opinion	no opinion	1
366	NA	no opinion	1
374	None	no opinion	1
380	No opinion	no opinion	1
386	I am a retiree who moved here two years ago, so I never had any interaction with the public schools here (other than interaction with the superintendent who came from my previous community).	no opinion	1
389	No opinion	no opinion	1
392	Don't know.	no opinion	1
393	I do not have one.	no opinion	1
401	no kids in school system	no opinion	1
404	No opinion at this time	no opinion	1
410	No opinion	no opinion	1
419	No opinion. Did not use. My child went to private school. Prefer not to need to expand.	no opinion	1
436	N/A	no opinion	1
442	No children in school	no opinion	1
449	No opinion	no opinion	1
459	Unfortunately, I cannot gauge the effectiveness of town schooling.	no opinion	1
462	None	no opinion	1
467	n/a	no opinion	1
470	No comment	no opinion	1
484	No perception.	no opinion	1
493	N/A	no opinion	1
508	Limited perception in that I don't know much about it	no opinion	1

Response #	No Opinion	Category	Qty of responses
513	As my oldest child is just starting at woodland I will reserve judgement until it can be based on experience.	no opinion	1
525	Too vague of a question	no opinion	1
535	NA	no opinion	1
539	No personal exposure to schools.	no opinion	1
544	N/a	no opinion	1
566	I am unsure as I just moved here and I do not have children.	no opinion	1
573	Nothing to offer here.	no opinion	1
587	I haven't been involved with the school system since I graduated in 2003. So no comment	no opinion	1
591	No kids - no perception	no opinion	1
615	Don't use	no opinion	1
621	No students/none	no opinion	1
623	no school age children, have no opinion	no opinion	1
630	No opinion. Ken enjoyed them 43 years ago!	no opinion	1
636	No contact with schools. Assume they are doing their job of educating and not indoctrinating.	no opinion	1
645	NA	no opinion	1
646	No children in school, therefore I do not have an informed opinion or perception	no opinion	1
654	I have no school age children. I have heard it is OK.	no opinion	1
657	Our children have been out of the public school system for greater than 20 years. We do need to support our schools.	no opinion	1
661	I'm sure they could use some changes. I do not know what that would be.	no opinion	1
667	none	no opinion	1
134	we sent our kids to private school.	no opinion	1
212	My children go to Agawam	no opinion	1
489	Have had no interaction with the Southwick Public Schools but I do not support public schools in general.	no opinion	1
506	They were great when I attended. From what I hear they've gone way downhill since then. My kids will soon be in school and I'll be able to formulate my own fresh opinion then!	no opinion	1
305	I attended the high school, and my children attended the schools from 5th grade through graduation from high school.	no opinion	1
581	no opinion but I am sure that is the reason my property taxes are so high	no opinion	1
207	Our son Attended Westfield Vocational. Not sure about Southwick schools.	no opinion	1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Admin negative	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of responses
447	Poorly administered	admin neg				1
4	Not run very efficiently. This is similar to the town government. Personnel are selected and not reviewed appropriately as their reviewers have poor skills in doing so. Mediocre is my perception.	admin neg				1
14	Well-funded, poorly run, not educating to the highest level possible	admin neg				1
34	School board has improved, not impressed with the superintendent and teachers do the best with what they have	admin neg				1
72	Hire better teachers.	admin neg				1
74	Could be much better with better leadership	admin neg				1
287	The board runs them in their own best interests rather than on behalf of what is best for and/or representative of the community.	admin neg				1
307	Poorly managed and maintained, lacking focus and discipline	admin neg				1
373	Southwick public schools are trying to be accepting to all but hold no event that build community and teach about connections that will help students thrive in choosing their workforce	admin neg				1
425	Well-funded, under performing	admin neg				1
537	I couldn't wait for my children to graduate. I hated the nasty letters that I received when my children were sick. We need to rethink our school systems because they don't work. And coercing children to get an experimental vaccine for an ice cream treat is morally corrupt.	admin neg				1
549	I feel the quality of education and management of the school system has decreased in the 20 years I've lived here. The current Superintendent has not in my opinion done a good job and the longtime board incumbents need to change.	admin neg				1
550	I feel that our schools Education has decreased with the change in the superintendent.	admin neg				1
576	Smarter spending.	admin neg				1
164	No opportunities for children to excel beyond status quo	admin neg				1
324	Do not like the block classes.	admin neg				1
604	More opportunities for gaining life skills for future. Should have less emphasis on testing scores and allow teachers to teach without so much pressure	admin neg				1

Response #	admin negative	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of responses
617	My granddaughter had covered subjects better at Granville school than the way presented at Southwick High. Hopefully the level of teaching has improved! This was about 20 years ago /-.	admin neg				1
528	The staff is not helpful in ensuring learning is happening. The concern is more about grading and following standards as opposed to teaching. Freedoms and responsibilities were very limited to 11th and 12th graders preparing for the real world. The building and fields are very nice. A/C would be a great add.	admin neg	facilities	other		1
322	Southwick needs smaller class sizes. Also Field trips have been cut or eliminated and should be restored. They widen the appreciation and learning for all students.	admin neg	other			1
412	Poor leadership by superintendent and WES principal. Lack of accountability for harmful decisions affecting student safety made by both in the past. Children leaving the district because administration fails to meet needs. I could go on. Finally a good group in the school council.	admin neg	security			1
385	I have issues with the education. Have an issue with security measures in middle and elementary. High school is the most secure and measures dwindle between high school and middle. And less with elementary school	admin neg	security			1
547	Taxes not being used for the purposes relayed by district. e.g. -> was told kids all would have access to tablets/ computers. Truth is kids' parents are asked to get a device for child to make it easier for all. Teachers are forced to teach multiple subjects with no individual student attention. Liberal arts and other cuts as taxes keep going up.	admin neg	taxes	funding		1
61	The schools pay the teachers some of the lowest salaries in the surrounding towns which is leading our best teachers to leave. I'm worried for the quality of education in the coming years if this continues.	admin neg	teacher pay			1
475	Need to do a better job at teaching the fundamentals: ELA, math, science, history.	admin neg	too liberal			1
264	The school system hands out grades that are too high, they pass kids on every year to just keep them moving. They should really have held back a kid or 3 that I know in the younger grades so that those kids could mature a little more. And I am very critical of some of the topics that are pushed on these kids. (THERE WAS 1 MORE SENTENCE HERE, BUT IT WAS EDITED OUT AS IT WAS CONSIDERED INAPPROPRIATE)	admin neg	too liberal			1
529	Declining. Need to focus on high quality diversified and inclusive education. School board of focused on politics not education.	admin neg	too political			1

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190	I do not think they are very challenging and they do not offer enough elective courses in the High School to allow students to sample IT or business courses to determine what they may want to do career wise. I think my children will absolutely not be prepared for college and the amount of work it will require due to the lack of homework starting in elementary school all the way up to senior year. I have heard from several former students who said they were not prepared for college at all. The block schedule does not allow for enough elective classes to be taken to meet basic college requirements now that honors level classes were taken away in some subjects and only AP and CP are offered. I absolutely discourage parents with school age children from moving to Southwick unless they are going to do school of choice elsewhere. That being said, the district has some wonderful teachers and administrators.	advanced classes	admin neg			1
238	They are okay. Not enough money is funded to them so many curriculums are bad. The language department is a wreck as most (specifically Spanish) teachers are hired one year and fired the next. These teachers also do not receive a specific curriculum to follow. Our art department is severely lacking. The overall atmosphere is okay and there is an effort to improve and be more inclusive.	average	admin neg	funding	music/arts	1
295	Generally OK, but not very friendly or hospitable to music and the other arts. Some recent high school principals seem more interested in taking the position to boost their retirement, rather than to serve the students.	average	admin neg	music/arts		1
320	Not impressed. There is no discipline.	average	admin neg			1
383	During the time my children attended Southwick Public Schools, I was satisfied with the education they received, with the exception of block scheduling in the high school. This format of scheduling proved to be ineffective with a lot of wasted time. I would strongly urge the town to look at other options. Perhaps they no longer offer the block schedule and I am not aware of the change.	average	admin neg			1
428	Adequate. I have limited knowledge of the current state/level/quality of education in the schools. However, I have heard complaints about the environment within the schools to the point of residents moving for the benefit of their child.	average	admin neg			1
652	Quality of education seems to be declining in high school due to apathy of teachers. Need immediate evaluation of all educators.	average	admin neg			1

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527	Not very good.... In the past the school system has always been very good , but I feel it is starting to fail our children. The teachers need more support and education in how to help our children who need it, Also I feel certain people who are hired should be made to have the correct and needed education to help all!!!!!! People who are in charge should have the experience and proper credentials!!!	average	admin neg			1
33	average. Leadership isn't very open to new ways of thinking, creating diversity or embracing the agricultural advantages of the community for the benefit of the students(learning and healthy foods)	average	admin neg			1
143	They aren't the best . They need a new superintendent. Schools were good now scores are down , behaviors increased , high teacher turnover . Not the best	average	admin neg			1
347	I received an adequate education in Southwick. But when I got into the real world I found that the quality of the education I received was not as good as I thought. The problem of drugs in our schools is not recognized. WE spend too much on admin.	average	admin neg			1
600	We need better communicating with the school and their students. Southwick school system needs to change their blocks form 4 90min blocks to shorter blocks this will help students stay focused in class and participate more. Teachers also need to take the time to actually teach and educate their students, don't let them sit through an entire class period doing nothing.	communication	admin neg	teacher neg		1
41	Great school, administration needs to change. I am heavily involved in the school system and I have huge problems with the principal of Powder Mill. It'd be nice to see changes for the better.	excellent	admin neg			1
536	Need investment. Increased residential building necessitates investment in schools - proper buildings, up to date technology in schools, sufficient # of teachers	funding	admin neg	bldgs.		1
40	Could be better, but better than surrounding communities. Administratively top-heavy structure slow to respond to parents concerns	good	admin neg			1
388	Loved the elementary school. Moved my kids after 6th grade to private school due to lack of support.	good	admin neg			1
571	good schools, poor spending choices for upgrades.	good	admin neg			1
620	Nicer bus drivers, they scream! Better options for lunch. Better quality teachers. Better uniforms for girl sports teams! Better rec center, better high school fields.	other	admin neg	athletics		1

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283	Excellent teachers who are passionate and care for their students, school committee and admin can't get out of their own way sometimes/don't act with student interests in mind. Admin across the board need to promote inclusion of LGBTQ students as well as students of color; can think of several instances of students using racist language towards students of color and never receiving punishment	too liberal	admin neg	diversity		1
432	The superintendent has to go. She's too "woke".	too liberal	admin neg			1
441	I believe in School Choice and Student Vouchers. I don't approve of the indoctrination, Students are subject to. I believe Teachers should have a yearly performance review, by an independent Citizen Committee. And Employment dependent on the results.	too liberal	admin neg			1
252	School district has become politicized by conservative school committee members that want to push conservative ideology upon unknowing children - schools are becoming a breeding ground for ideological clashes rather than a place for children to get a good education. School district has been on a downward slide since current administration in each of the schools was put in place and former school committee chairman retired.	too political	admin neg			1
41	Great school, administration needs to change. I am heavily involved in the school system and I have huge problems with the principal of Powder Mill. It'd be nice to see changes for the better.	excellent	admin neg			1
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Response #	Too liberal	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
264	The school system hands out grades that are too high, they pass kids on every year to just keep them moving. They should really have held back a kid or 3 that I know in the younger grades so that those kids could mature a little more. And I am very critical of some of the topics that are pushed on these kids. It is no secret that your leader of the school system has PRIDE.....it should not be pushed on our kids.	admin neg	too liberal		1
519	We recently removed both our children from the Southwick Public school system because it does not meet our educational needs. Removing the honors track was the straw that broke the camel's back. It shouldn't be a battle to access meaning educational support services for 504/IEP. Need to focus on basics reading, writing and arithmetic. Our children were completely bored to tears with Powder Mill curriculum.	advanced classes	too liberal		1
301	Better than some, worse than some. Elementary is the best. Do not like woke policies, critical race theory, etc.	average	too liberal		1
639	School transportation inadequate and poor service inferior education of science, math, languages, and skilled trade.	below average	too liberal	vocational	1
9	In general: below average quality. Extremely liberal. Disrespectful of parents' and parents rights.	below average	too liberal		1
82	Poor from what I've been told by parents including CRT being taught. No direct knowledge however.	below average	too liberal		1
221	Schools are more worried about social issues than education.	communication	too liberal		1
405	Having gone through all levels, I had a great experience. I always perceived them as high quality. Lately, I feel the leadership of the school is directing them toward a politicized educational system. I do not agree with critical race theory or including personal beliefs in our young children's education.	excellent	too liberal		1

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109	Southwick schools are very good. Possibly even the best in the state. I am always in touch with my son's teacher and IEP teachers. I am very satisfied with the schools. I do however ask about when kids learn about strangers , drugs, the bad things that possibly happen in today's society. No one seems to have a answer. I believe firmly the schools should have security, have a dare program, and teach the children about stranger danger. Too much going on in today's world to just be gentle and ignore or look the other way on reality.	excellent	too liberal		1
157	My son attended Southwick Schools and at the time he graduated, we were very pleased with the fine teachers he was exposed to. I have no current knowledge of the school system but fear and strongly oppose the current trend to incorporate CRT and supposed equity indoctrination for innocent children	good	too liberal		1
232	I went to school there. I graduated in 2015. As long as they aren't pushing "woke" ideology they are fine. But if they do promote woke ideology I will not send my children there.	good	too liberal		1
567	good to Fair, more emphasis needed on core skills (Math, Language Arts, Science, Technology)	good	too liberal		1
626	They were good 40 years ago when my kids attended but now I have the feel they are leaning a little toward woke which I disagree with.	good	too liberal		1
18	good special education support, overall education in town has improved over the past few years. Not a fan of political discussions in school, as far as teachers sharing which way they lean or making seemingly unpatriotic statements. They should remain neutral.	good	too political		1
585	I think there are some exceptional teachers. Less emphasis should be put on social and cultural issues and more on getting our kids ready to go out into the world and thrive in the workplace. Less emphasis on national test scores and more emphasis put on teaching kids to use their minds.	teacher pos	too liberal		1
24	Need to educate with facts not opinions. No more ideological support and radical teaching. Textbook and real history not biased or critical race theory. Don't blame our children for ancestry that we have no control over.	too liberal	0		1
71	At the moment waiting to see if our schools are going to follow much of the country and hoping not. Most have no idea what is happening. It's truly alarming. We don't need the perverted, " woke" garbage. All voters need to learn about what is happening. And can't keep adding housing and not adding schools.	too liberal	0		1

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163	I may not be qualified to answer, since I am not in the system anymore, but I would say NO TO CRT, BRING BACK THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, CURSIVE WRITINGS, ANALOG CLOCKS, AND LOCAL AND NATIONAL CIVICS. AS TO TEACH CORRECTLY HISTORY OF THIS TOWN AS WELL AS OUR NATION.	too liberal	0		1
260	the curriculum should focus on essential reading, writing, math, and science principles. School is too woke	too liberal	0		1
478	Needs to focus on teaching kids math, reading and arithmetic and not mcad or woke agenda.	too liberal	0		1
488	The quality of education has dwindled as nonresident administrators focus on implementing leftist agendas.	too liberal	0		1
496	Too woke.	too liberal	0		1
502	too liberal	too liberal	0		1
170	Have heard that the children are being taught rather woke subjects. Instead of history at the high school it is replaced with a different type of class.	too liberal	0		1
321	No CRT education or transgender to be allowed. Teach math, science, history, English as was done in the 40's thru the 90's.	too liberal	0		1
552	too many non-essential classes- history needs to be rewritten, more community involvement for students, ex, assisting elderly, help keep community clean and safe	too liberal	0		1
283	excellent teachers who are passionate and care for their students, school committee and admin can't get out of their own way sometimes/don't act with student interests in mind. Admin across the board need to promote inclusion of LGBTQ students as well as students of color; can think of several instances of students using racist language towards students of color and never receiving punishment	too liberal	admin neg	diversity	1
432	The superintendent has to go. She's too "woke".	too liberal	admin neg		1
441	I believe in School Choice and Student Vouchers. I don't approve of the indoctrination, Students are subject to. I believe Teachers should have a yearly performance review, by an independent Citizen Committee. And Employment dependent on the results.	too liberal	admin neg		1
339	Crowded classrooms, understaffed, too much government influence as to what is being taught and how, more tax dollars should be spent on enrichment for excelling students. Seems like the students who get the most attention are the neediest and the others are left behind	too liberal	AP		1
570	The campus is an excellent setup. The administrations need to be more forceful on meaningful/current/future education topics - not on "trendy" academia.	too liberal	facilities		1

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455	The need to be non-union. No ESG. And they need to change from woke to awake.	too liberal	other		1
553	I'm not that familiar with the schools' curriculum as I don't have children in the system, but I believe that schools should be more centered. on the basics of math, history and science as many are failing in those subjects CRT should be banned as it adds more division and confusion The parents need to be able to be more involved in what their children are being taught	too liberal	other		1
135	Need to focus more on life essential learning. More home economics and wood shop classes. More sports.	too liberal	vocational	athletics	1
589	It is important for the SPS to teach core skills (math, writing, reading, science, history/social studies), offer trade school options (including transportation), teach TRUTH on BOTH side of stories for history, SHOULD NOT socially engineer our children	too liberal	vocational		1
601	It is important for the SPS to teach core skills (math, writing, reading, science history/social studies), offer trade school options (including transportation), teach TRUTH on BOTH side of stories for history, SHOULD NOT socially engineer our children.	too liberal	vocational		1
640	Would like to have home etc. and trades for students to learn. Also basic math, English, history, sciences etc. for life real experiences.	vocational	too liberal		1
88	Great as long as no CRT allowed in our schools. I think we need all history, math and the type of learning so our kids and grandkids have a fair chance in this world.	excellent	too liberal		1
165	excellent but need to stay away from the gender debate & not force anything on families & kids There are 2 genders that's it anything else should not be covered in public schools	excellent	too liberal		1
405	Having gone through all levels, I had a great experience. I always perceived them as high quality. Lately, I feel the leadership of the school is directing them toward a politicized educational system. I do not agree with critical race theory or including personal beliefs in our young children's education.	excellent	too liberal		1
597	The SOUTHWICK school system is great. It could be excellent IF THE STATE WOULD BACK OFF and LET THE TEACHERS TEACH. If the teachers had some aggressive town government officials behind them, they could push back at the state for breathing room in their classrooms. It is a safe district, bring back the DARE program and encourage police presence on campus to build healthy public & police relationship at young ages.	excellent	too liberal	other	1

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530	Generally positive but should remain focused on teaching fundamental subjects to prepare students for college and trade schools.	good	too liberal	vocational	1
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528	The staff is not helpful in ensuring learning is happening. The concern is more about grading and following standards as opposed to teaching. Freedoms and responsibilities were very limited to 11th and 12th graders preparing for the real world. The building and fields are very nice. A/C would be a great add.	admin neg	facilities	other	1
322	Southwick needs smaller class sizes. Also Field trips have been cut or eliminated and should be restored. They widen the appreciation and learning for all students.	admin neg	other		1
126	I think for the reputation of the town it should have a better school. US News and Report didn't rank Southwick very well. We should be using a top tier school to attract top tier residents like they do in Simsbury, CT.	average	other		1
241	My child was prepared academically. The social environment was difficult for all my children.	average	other		1
239	Alright, limited elective class options is the only downfall	average	other		1
319	So far I've only had 1 child attend Woodland for Kindergarten. Her experience was positive, but I felt there was a huge lack of parent involvement opportunities within the classroom. Not sure if this is related to covid or if it's standard.	average	other		1
76	average. Need more resources for student mental health support.	average	other		1
68	Ok. They don't take security in the buildings seriously. I don't know how much grant money they receive, but they should write more grants to save the town some money. As a matter of fact, every department could/should do this. Maybe the town should hire a grant writer.	average	security	other	1
35	50	other			1
226	Neutral. Not enough extra-curricular offered or encouraged, many very openly opinionated teachers, sub par parent communication, but open to parent initiated discussions and supportive of the "squeaky wheel".	communication	other		1

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658	We spent too much on expansion! New roof/updated science wing/tablets/laptops were necessary. 10 new classrooms? A waste. Quality of education seems to be declining in high school, due in part to apathy in teachers. Need evaluation of all educators immediately!	funding	teacher neg	other	1	
19	Budget too high and not enough transparency	funding	transparency		1	
337	They appear to be good. Most all schools can do better. The parking at the high school is a problem. The students should be restricted on who can park there. And there should be a semi semester parking fee. It should be a privilege not a right.	good	other		1	
397	They have always been a decent school system but could use a little bit of modernization	good	other		1	
409	I think the schools are good. Dislike all the focus on testing (more a Mass requirement).	good	other		1	
564	Very solid systems. Kids need more social recreation options. Even if involving indoor or "nerdy" activities	good	other		1	
588	Fine to good for Elementary and High School. Did not like the "team" approach to middle school.	good	other		1	
64	Costly for declining student population	other			1	
103	Not enough opportunity or classes offered at high school level. Quite often schedule conflicts occur.	other			1	
106	Going to be overloaded	other			1	
270	Too many grades in one school	other			1	
56	Early education is fantastic Post 5th grade quality diminishes - not excited about the regional school format grouping 7-12th	other			1	
112	We focus too much on subject coaches and should have more teachers instead.	other			1	
174	My two daughters went through Southwick schools and now my grandkids are attending. I don't care for the changes to the schools....Woodland is through 2nd grade and Powder Mill is 3rd through 6th and the high school is 7th through 12th. I do understand why it was done but wish there could have been a different alternative.	other			1	
177	I do not have children but I know that my neighbors are always participating in school activities and I feel like if the parents are involved it helps the schools succeed. maybe helping the parents stay connected to the schooling of their children. special programs/meetings for parents	other			1	

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237	Elementary provide education required for high school. 8 the grade students should be encouraged to visit the collaborative technical school prior to deciding which school would fit best for high school. High school should rescind the 80-minute block schedule as it makes it difficult for students to get required / elective classes into their schedules for graduation.	other			1	
306	I think foreign language should be introduced and required at an earlier age.	other			1	
427	seem to have a lot of 1/2 days	other			1	
448	Was better when we ran the schools	other			1	
485	Their buses slow down traffic every day, Those kids need exercise like when I was a kid.	other			1	
565	The students are not being adequately prepared for self-teaching and motivation for when/if they go to college. There is virtually no homework assigned. Also feel that many teachers we have interacted with are not willing to go above and beyond for stronger students. Those stronger students are held back as the teachers are forced to teach to the lowest level.	other			1	
662	Could be more like Amherst or Longmeadow	other			1	
666	They have declined over the past few years.	other			1	
23	Hood	other			1	
620	Nicer bus drivers, they scream! Better options for lunch. Better quality teachers. Better uniforms for girl sports teams! Better rec center, better high school fields.	other	admin neg	athletics	1	
614	Nicer bus drivers, cleaner lunchrooms, younger subs, better girl sport uniforms, better high school fields.	other	athletics		1	
266	good perception of the teachers. Bad perception of the bus company.	teacher pos	other		1	
455	The need to be non-union. No ESG. And they need to change from woke to awake.	too liberal	other		1	
553	I'm not that familiar with the schools' curriculum as I don't have children in the system, but I believe that schools should be more centered. on the basics of math, history and science as many are falling in those subjects CRT should be banned as it adds more division and confusion The parents need to be able to be more involved in what their children are being taught	too liberal	other		1	

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213	We spend way too much money on the wrong things and even those things are broken. Families need to value education more and not treat it like a baby sitting service. (That message comes from a community culture.) Our town does not back education and supports its leaders. Our town tells our educational leaders what to do. Then when it goes wrong, education is to blame. Teachers are blamed. Stop treating education like customer service.	too political	other		1	
109	Southwick schools are very good. Possibly even the best in the state. I am always in touch with my son's teacher and iep teachers. I am very satisfied with the schools. I do however ask about when kids learn about strangers, drugs, the bad things that possibly happen in today's society. No one seems to have a answer. I believe firmly the schools should have security, have a dare program, and teach the children about stranger danger. Too much going on in today's world to just be gentle and ignore or look the other way on reality.	excellent	security	other	1	
223	Great however we could use some more AP classes and IP classes as colleges are looking for these and we are limited. We need to offer kids more classes for extracurricular choices. They have lost many over the last 3 years such as architectural course was offered and is no longer	excellent	advanced classes	other	1	
597	The SOUTHWICK school system is great. It could be excellent IF THE STATE WOULD BACK OFF and LET THE TEACHERS TEACH. If the teachers had some aggressive town government officials behind them, they could push back at the state for breathing room in their classrooms. It is a safe district, bring back the DARE program and encourage police presence on campus to build healthy public & police relationship at young ages.	excellent	too liberal	other	1	
608	They were excellent when my children attended. I think the arts need to be encouraged. And respect should be taught. Parents should be encouraged to support the teachers!	excellent	music/arts	other	1	
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547	Taxes not being used for the purposes relayed by district. e.g. -> was told kids all would have access to tablets/ computers. Truth is kids' parents are asked to get a device for child to make it easier for all. Teachers are forced to teach multiple subjects with no individual student attention. Liberal arts and other cuts as taxes keep going up.	admin neg	taxes	funding		1
238	They are okay. Not enough money is funded to them so many curriculums are bad. The language department is a wreck as most (specifically Spanish) teachers are hired one year and fired the next. These teachers also do not receive a specific curriculum to follow. Our art department is severely lacking. The overall atmosphere is okay and there is an effort to improve and be more inclusive.	average	admin neg	funding	music/arts	1
318	Adequate. Don't spend more money on offices and such.	average	funding	bldgs.		1
523	The teachers and Paras do NOT get paid enough. the school is rated 5 out of 10 when you look up housing in the area. Not a good look for the town at all. Many people without kids do not want to pay into the system. Without well paid teachers and paras that are not supported the system will come crashing down.	average	funding			1
575	Okay; underfunded	average	funding			1
148	A joke. Over inflated budget, a bunch of liberal brats for school board. Budget needs level funding for several years	below ave	funding			1
482	poor and the school budget is too big	below average	funding			1
346	We need to be able to inspect the school budget we pass it every year like sheep but bitch about a \$3,000 lawn mower DPW wants. We need to be able to dissect their reckless spending and school committee should be able to make changes. And towns people should have some insight on the millions we spend for the poor quality education most get .	below average	funding			1

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438	Southwick Public Schools are of very high quality and provide a safe and beneficial place to learn. However, the schools are on a smaller scale and thus don't have access to many things that other school systems have, such as certain clubs and sports like football. Despite this, the school is very inclusive to all students regardless of ethnicity, religion, sexuality, etc., and the education provided at the Southwick Public Schools is very high quality.	excellent	funding			1	
194	Cost per student is way to high. The budget should be cut every year.	funding				1	
364	Need more funding	funding				1	
423	could be better if money was not impeding the hiring of better qualified candidates and if tenure was extended	funding				1	
431	Penny pinchers	funding				1	
464	too expensive never had child in system	funding				1	
541	They try hard but are underfunded and understaffed.	funding				1	
551	Underfunded and underappreciated, like most public schools.	funding				1	
560	Burdened with constrained resources	funding				1	
92	Lacking monetary resources.	funding				1	
293	Spending way too much money.	funding				1	
536	Need investment. Increased residential building necessitates investment in schools - proper buildings, up to date technology in schools, sufficient # of teachers	funding	admin neg	bldgs.		1	
152	They definitely need a budget increase, as pretty much every teacher I had was paying for their own books and supplies out of pocket and every non-sport department or club was pretty barebones (our drama club could barely afford a used couch for one of the plays, pretty sure the club's teacher paid for it herself rather than using a club budget).	funding				1	
517	They could be much better, more money could be spent on bettering the art programs like band, drama, and other art classes. There is also not a lot of help for kids and their families that are struggling with mental health issues.	funding	music/arts			1	
599	I believe services/education provided by the Southwick Public Schools are too limited due to budget constraints. I would be willing to pay a higher tax rate to improve services/education provided by the schools.	funding	taxes			1	
453	Wasted taxpayer money for expansion.	funding	taxes			1	
658	We spent too much on expansion! New roof/updated science wing/tablets/laptops were necessary. 10 new classrooms? A waste. Quality of education seems to be declining in high school, due in part to apathy in teachers. Need evaluation of all educators immediately!	funding	teacher neg	other		1	

Response #	Funding issues	Category	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses	
619	Most of our teachers are highly educated and hard working. However, the salaries in Southwick are not competitive enough to entice new qualified teachers, paraprofessionals or substitutes to come to our district, and those within our district who are highly qualified often stay with inferior pay because of their dedication to our kids. They should not have to make that choice. Focusing on our school systems will help the entire community as high performing schools also bring in families who will invest in the community. In addition, teachers, being the professionals and experts in their fields, should have more say on what curriculum and programs are implemented with final approval by the School Board.	funding	teacher pay	teacher Pos		1	
507	The staff is well meaning but the town is not offering the services required for our children to remain competitive.	funding	teacher Pos			1	
19	Budget too high and not enough transparency	funding	transparency			1	
429	They are underfunded and behind the times in technology. Attracting quality teachers and coaches to our schools should be a priority. Teaching should be more "live teaching" focused. Teachers should be supplied with the tools, resources, and time required to foster a dynamic learning environment. This will allow for less disciplinary problems as students remain engaged and help retain quality teaching staff.	funding	Vocational			1	
452	Not much involvement. Not many sports, not many programs, do not like that 7th and 8th grade are in the High School.	funding	vocational			1	
545	Overall good. They could use more updating and space.	good	funding			1	
1	The school system is well run and provides a quality education. It is a large portion of our Town budget and expenditures should be closely monitored and evaluated.	good	funding			1	
12	good but needs more money	good	funding			1	
399	A diverse, strong and well-funded school system is good for our community and improves property values. I would like to see increased funding for teacher retention and recruiting highly qualified diverse teachers and administrators. Expanded funding of the arts and sciences as well as fully funded preschool.	good	funding			1	
444	School systems are good but if our classes are getting smaller, can we utilize the schools better by shutting down and condensing to save money.	good	funding			1	
605	Teachers are fantastic but the salaries could be more competitive	teacher pos	teacher pay	funding		1	

Response #	Funding issues	Category	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses	
438	Southwick Public Schools are of very high quality and provide a safe and beneficial place to learn. However, the schools are on a smaller scale and thus don't have access to many things that other school systems have, such as certain clubs and sports like football. Despite this, the school is very inclusive to all students regardless of ethnicity, religion, sexuality, etc., and the education provided at the Southwick Public Schools is very high quality.	excellent	funding	athletics	diversity	1	
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Below Average Rating**

Key words that responders used that qualify it for the "below Average" rating: below average, poor, weak, bad, horrid, deficient and substandard

Actual Responses below			
Response #	Below Average	Category	Qty of responses
6	They suck.	below average	1
7	The quality of educations is sub-par and we are not moving in a positive direction.	below average	1
26	Not satisfied! There should be no standard testing from result of the pandemic. Kids cannot possibly catch up two years in order to pass. Quality education has been on decline in Southwick for the past 10 years and it continues to under perform	below average	1
29	Poor	below average	1
62	Weak	below average	1
84	Needs improvement. Surrounding towns are better.	below average	1
97	They are very bad.	below average	1
151	Needs investment	below average	1
503	Southwick Public Schools need a revamp	below average	1
225	Horrid	below average	1
246	Deficient	below average	1
5	Awful. Beyond too much bullying. It has been going on far too long. Always overlooked or passed by or ignored..	below average	1
9	In general: below average quality. Extremely liberal. Disrespectful of parents and parents' rights.	below average	1
534	Poor. Very little information regarding curriculum and performance of the students. Graduation rates mean nothing in terms of proficiency or lack thereof of students. Southwick's position in terms of standing in the state rankings is poor.	below average	1
255	I think that the schools need bigger teacher salary budgets in order to attract the most qualified personnel. I would rate the school as below average for Massachusetts and above average country-wide. I would love to see the entire country's school systems adopt a more modern approach to education, which includes abolition of standardized testing and rote memorization, and greater focus on critical thinking	below average	1

Response #	Below Average	Category	Qty of responses
162	Below Average! - Sent my own children elsewhere for HS. They teach to the bottom of the class or for MCAS scores. They stress the minimum to 'get by' and there is encouragement or emphasis on honor/gifted students.	below average	1
482	poor and the school budget is too big	below average	1
82	Poor from what I've been told by parents including CRT being taught. No direct knowledge however.	below average	1
281	They are horrible. We have no diversity. And the small amount of diversity we do have gets driven away by other students. And then you have no care from the school system and they let everything happen. Even when things can be affecting our education	below average	1
346	We need to be able to inspect the school budget we pass it every year like sheep but bitch about a \$3,000 lawn mower DPW wants. We need to be able to dissect their reckless spending and the school committee should be able to make changes. The Town should have some insight on the millions we spend for poor quality education that most students get .	below average	1
348	lacking	below average	1
359	Substandard	below average	1
461	Quality not satisfactory and needs improvement.	below average	1
465	Needs improvement, had to send child out of town to private school	below average	1
480	Bad	below average	1
492	They are not adequately preparing our kids for the future.	below average	1
498	Awful	below average	1
557	Weak ~ two kids, one graduated from Southwick High, with a very good GPA and struggling in college. The other one, grad from Agawam High & three times the dean's list in college. You be the judge.	below average	1
572	Poor from what I have heard from others who use the school system. We do not use the public school system in Southwick.	below average	1
574	A complete joke.	below average	1
639	School transportation inadequate and poor service inferior education of science, math, languages, and skilled trade.	below average	1
642	Not impressed. Stop bringing children from bigger towns/cities to fill classrooms, where our teachers are over worked.	below average	1
650	Going off the rails	below average	1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Teacher Positive	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
360	Lots of truly great and caring people work in our schools. We are somewhat limited due to our size in some of the choices that other schools offer and this puts our kids at a bit of a disadvantage once they get to college. Offering more collaborative programs with bigger schools and local colleges would really help.	advanced classes	admin pos	teacher pos	1
504	They are ok, both my girls went through the system. They had great teachers/support systems and not so great teachers.	average	admin pos	teacher pos	1
240	Pretty good. Teachers and staff are great, compared to neighboring schools the buildings are better.	average	admin pos	teacher pos	1
559	I went to Southwick schools K-12. Good faculty/facilities. Mediocre preparation for college.	average	teacher pos		1
375	Generally very good and god bless our teachers for devoting such great efforts to ensure student safety and continued schooling throughout the COVID pandemic.	excellent	teacher pos		1
619	Most of our teachers are highly educated and hard working. However, the salaries in Southwick are not competitive enough to entice new qualified teachers, paraprofessionals or substitutes to come to our district, and those within our district who are highly qualified often stay with inferior pay because of their dedication to our kids. They should not have to make that choice. Focusing on our school systems will help the entire community as high performing schools also bring in families who will invest in the community. In addition, teachers, being the professionals and experts in their fields, should have more say on what curriculum and programs are implemented with final approval by the School Board.	funding	teacher pay	teacher pos	1
507	The staff is well meaning but the town is not offering the services required for our children to remain competitive.	funding	teacher pos		1
370	I have had good experiences with the school district. Our children enjoy going and have had great teachers. There are a few things I would not mind changing however	good	teacher pos		1
294	I went to Southwick schools for my entire education. I have nothing but positive memories. The teachers deserve the best, and deserve the pay.	good	teacher pos		1
303	good	good	teacher pos		1
417	Positive; Well-staffed.	good	teacher pos		1

Response #	Teacher Positive	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
435	They did not help our children with their specific needs. The teachers were wonderful, but some students were not focused or willing to be there and follow the rules or do the work. Those students demanded attention and were disruptive to students that wanted to learn and excel at school	special needs	teacher pos		1
78	Most teachers are excellent, a few are not	teacher pos			1
266	Good perception of the teachers. Bad perception of the bus company.	teacher pos	other		1
605	Teachers are fantastic but the salaries could be more competitive	teacher pos	teacher pay	funding	1
585	I think there are some exceptional teachers. Less emphasis should be put on social and cultural issues and more on getting our kids ready to go out into the world and thrive in the workplace. Less emphasis on national test scores and more emphasis put on teaching kids to use their minds.	teacher pos	too liberal		1
93	Very good. Teachers thus far have been terrific and very supportive and open with our children	excellent	teacher pos		1
109	Southwick schools are very good. Possibly even the best in the state. I am always in touch with my son's teacher and IEP teachers. I am very satisfied with the schools. I do however ask about when kids learn about strangers , drugs, the bad things that possibly happen in today's society. No one seems to have a answer. I believe firmly the schools should have security, have a dare program, and teach the children about stranger danger. Too much going on in today's world to just be gentle and ignore or look the other way on reality.	excellent	security	other	1
222	We have had a very positive experience so far. The staff has been very friendly and asked a lot of good questions to help our child adjust and thrive. Love that a lot of the school activists are shared so we know what's going on in the schools	excellent	teacher pos	admin pos	1
375	Generally very good and god bless our teachers for devoting such great efforts to ensure student safety and continued schooling throughout the COVID pandemic.	excellent	teacher pos		1
58	Pleased so far. Administrators and teachers are welcoming and my children love it	good	teacher pos	admin pos	1
454	Very friendly and helpful	good	admin pos	teacher pos	1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Vocational	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
379	Fair need some vocational training.	average	vocational		
577	We have not lived in the town long and most of our time has been during the pandemic, but my initial perception of the school is that they can be improved, especially in regard to creating more robust athletic/extracurricular programming.	average	vocational		1
639	School transportation inadequate and poor service inferior education of science, math, languages, and skilled trade.	below average	too liberal	vocational	1
450	Overall very good. We need to expand opportunities for voc/tech, the arts, STEM	excellent	vocational		1
429	They are underfunded and behind the times in technology. Attracting quality teachers and coaches to our schools should be a priority. Teaching should be more "live teaching" focused. Teachers should be supplied with the tools, resources, and time required to foster a dynamic learning environment, this will allow for less disciplinary problems as student remain engaged and help retain quality teaching staff.	funding	vocational		1
452	Not much involvement. Not many sports, not many programs, do not like that 7th and 8th grade are in the High School.	funding	vocational		1
466	good schools, would like to see vocational school in town vs having to bus out.	good	vocational		1
135	Need to focus more on life essential learning. More home economics and wood shop classes. More sports.	too liberal	vocational	athletics	1
589	It is important for the SPS to teach core skills (math, writing, reading, science, history/social studies), offer trade school options (including transportation), teach TRUTH on BOTH side of stories for history, SHOULD NOT socially engineer our children	too liberal	vocational		1
601	It is important for the SPS to teach core skills (math, writing, reading, science history/social studies), offer trade school options (including transportation), teach TRUTH on BOTH side of stories for history, SHOULD NOT socially engineer our children.	too liberal	vocational		1
637	No opinion, no children household but please look at the curriculum - other vocational options	vocational			1
315	Needs to offer more vocational training	vocational			1
328	Could be better focused on creative topics instead of taking them away and having more trade options	vocational			1
344	The High School needs to prepare the students more and give them more opportunities to experience hands on learning & vocational learning.	vocational			1

Response #	Vocational	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
434	My preference is more focused on technical/vocational education. Based on what I see on resumes when hiring the US in general is not producing enough value adding workers.	vocational			1
531	I perceive them as offering limited options for students who may not want to pursue the traditional educational model. I know we outsource some of the vocational programs to other schools in other communities but it would be nice if Southwick had some of its own vocational programs, particularly in agriculture or landscaping that could in turn attract kids from other communities. Northampton vocational offers an ag. programs for its students.	vocational			1
554	They actually cost more for 3 schools then the budget they have for all the schools in Springfield. Considering how many schools they have. We are a farming community with no education for future farmers unless they go to Northampton. REALLY??	vocational			1
215	should offer vocational training in all trades as Westfield does.	vocational			1
640	Would like to have home etc. and trades for students to learn. Also basic math, English, history, sciences etc. for life real experiences.	vocational	too liberal		1
450	Overall very good. We need to expand opportunities for vocational/tech, the arts, STEM	excellent	vocational	music/arts	1
530	Generally positive but should remain focused on teaching fundamental subjects to prepare students for college and trade schools.	good	too liberal	vocational	1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Advanced Classes	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
144	My son went to kindergarten in Southwick and then went to private school from that point on. Kindergarten was okay but there were no services for gifted and talented individuals so we transferred to a school geared to these individuals.	advanced classes			1
59	too limited in resources for higher caliber students, too small for variety of offerings	advanced classes			1
190	I do not think they are very challenging and they do not offer enough elective courses in the High School to allow students to sample IT or business courses to determine what they may want to do career wise. I think my children will absolutely not be prepared for college and the amount of work it will require due to the lack of homework starting in elementary school all the way up to senior year. I have heard from several former students who said they were not prepared for college at all. The block schedule does not allow for enough elective classes to be taken to meet basic college requirements now that honors level classes were taken away in some subjects and only AP and CP are offered. I absolutely discourage parents with school age children from moving to Southwick unless they are going to do school of choice elsewhere. That being said, the district has some wonderful teachers and administrators.	advanced classes	admin neg		1
360	Lots of truly great and caring people work in our schools. We are somewhat limited due to our size in some of the choices that other schools offer and this puts our kids at a bit of a disadvantage once they get to college. Offering more collaborative programs with bigger schools and local colleges would really help.	advanced classes	admin pos	teacher Pos	1
205	Decent schools but with the limited academic and athletic opportunities you would expect from a small rural school. One of the reasons we moved to this town was for the schools.	advanced classes	athletics		1

Response #	Advanced Classes	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
282	Southwick Public schools are small which means everyone knows each other. They took away some classes like honors science class and some AP classes that students were wanting to take. They seem to think that applied art courses are more important than fine arts, meaning they also took away some of those classes. There are groups in the high school to try and change bullying and unacceptable behavior, but it does not work. The principles don't do much to change the bullying besides speaking about it. The schools circle around sports and praises them.	advanced classes	bully	music/arts	1
519	We recently removed both our children from the Southwick Public school system because it does not meet our educational needs. Removing the honors track was the straw that broke the camel's back. It shouldn't be a battle to access meaning educational support services for 504/IEP. Need to focus on basics reading, writing and arithmetic. Our children were completely bored to tears with Powder Mill curriculum.	advanced classes	too liberal		1
146	Elementary is great. High school is trending downwards fast with the fact they are doing away with high honors classes which really excludes students- enough so we are considering finding another high school that offers more selection	average	advanced classes		1
162	Below Average! - Sent my own children elsewhere for HS. They teach to the bottom of the class or for MCAS scores. They stress the minimum to 'get by' and there is encouragement or emphasis on honor/gifted students.	below average	advanced classes		1
223	Great however we could use some more AP classes and IP classes as colleges are looking for these and we are limited We need to offer kids more classes for extracurricular choices. They have lost many over the last 3 years such as architectural course was offered and is no longer	excellent	advanced classes		1
152	They definitely need a budget increase, as pretty much every teacher I had was paying for their own books and supplies out of pocket and every non-sport department or club was pretty barebones (our drama club could barely afford a used couch for one of the plays, pretty sure the club's teacher paid for it herself rather than using a club budget).	funding	advanced classes		1

Response #	Advanced Classes	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
224	Educationally, they're fine, but nothing to brag about. The structures are great. Love the one campus set up New track is fabulous	good	advanced classes		1
471	Good and getting better. Keep staying competitive in technology	good	advanced classes		1
60	There is a lack of funding for children outside the bell curve of average. Not enough funding to support special needs. Not enough funding to support gifted & talented children. The schools are fine only if your children are average learners.	special needs	advanced classes		1
339	Crowded classrooms, understaffed, too much government influence as to what is being taught and how, more tax dollars should be spent on enrichment for excelling students. Seems like the students who get the most attention are the neediest and the others are left behind	too liberal	advanced classes		1
223	Great however we could use some more AP classes and IP classes as colleges are looking for these and we are limited We need to offer kids more classes for extracurricular choices. They have lost many over the last 3 years such as architectural course was offered and is no longer	excellent	advanced classes	other	1
381	Adequate, but lacking opportunities for sufficient or expansive technical education, i.e. robotics and computer-science; coding/programming.	average	advanced classes		1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Facilities	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
528	The staff is not helpful in ensuring learning is happening. The concern is more about grading and following standards as opposed to teaching. Freedoms and responsibilities were very limited to 11th and 12th graders preparing for the real world. The building and fields are very nice. A/C would be a great add.	admin neg	facilities	other	1
318	Adequate. Don't spend more money on offices and such.	average	funding	facilities	1
11	don't have any children in schools here, but the schools need to keep up the Maintenance on the schools and not hit the taxpayers with needing a "new" school because of lack of Maintenance	facilities			1
276	I like that all the schools are close by. I'm hoping for my grandchildren's sake that they provide a quality education for them.	facilities			1
312	Probably crowded and lacking the technology needed	facilities			1
335	Great location but getting old. Need to stop updating and build new.	facilities			1
609	I like that all campuses are connected and easy access to Rec Center and Library. Wally Park should be utilized for more sports games and school grounds for practices.	facilities			1
536	Need investment. Increased residential building necessitates investment in schools - proper buildings, up to date technology in schools, sufficient # of teachers	funding	admin neg	facilities	1
331	The school project substantially improved our school buildings and infrastructure. The quality of education has been good for our children. We are pleased.	good	facilities		1
476	I believe we have a good school system in Southwick and with the additions to the buildings, we should eliminate the need for an additional school for many years.	good	facilities		1
244	Poorly run special education; lack of sports options; facilities were built / updated on too small of a scale (air conditioning lacking, etc.).	special needs	athletics	facilities	1

Response #	Facilities	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
570	The campus is an excellent setup. The administrations need to be more forceful on meaningful/current/future education topics - not on "trendy" academia.	too liberal	facilities		1
96	Excellent schools. They need air conditioning.	excellent	facilities		1
309	I think they are very good. Well maintained and run. The teachers are great. I believe all improvements begin at home. In order for the testing levels to improve parents need to be more involved. Unfortunately the schools can't control that. They are doing great.	excellent	facilities	admin pos	1
224	Educationally, they're fine, but nothing to brag about. The structures are great. Love the one campus set up New track is fabulous	good	facilities		1
476	I believe we have a good school system in Southwick and with the additions to the buildings, we should eliminate the need for an additional school for many years.	good	facilities		1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Administration Positive	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
316	I think the schools are well run	admin pos	0		1
360	Lots of truly great and caring people work in our schools. We are somewhat limited due to our size in some of the choices that other schools offer and this puts our kids at a bit of a disadvantage once they get to college. Offering more collaborative programs with bigger schools and local colleges would really help.	advanced classes	admin pos	teacher Pos	1
504	They are ok, both my girls went through the system. They had great teachers/support systems and not so great teachers.	average	admin pos	teacher Pos	1
240	Pretty good. Teachers and staff are great, compared to neighboring schools the buildings are better.	average	admin pos	teacher Pos	1
463	We used to live in Granville, and our children went to GVS. I feel that GVS and the high school created a firm foundation for college.	good	admin pos		1
555	Good . Need to retain and hire quality people	good	admin pos		1
644	Deedy and Fox were in the tank for Boldyga's wife and her pal to serve in the school committee. Political hack folly. Those two, and frankly most of the SC did nothing to advance the quality of education in town. Jenn Willard has done a fine job as superintendent. Your principals are committed and an inspiration to our children. Notwithstanding the incompetence of the SC the administration does a great job.	too political	admin pos		1
109	Southwick schools are very good. Possibly even the best in the state. I am always in touch with my son's teacher and IEP teachers. I am very satisfied with the schools. I do however ask about when kids learn about strangers , drugs, the bad things that possibly happen in today's society. No one seems to have a answer. I believe firmly the schools should have security, have a dare program, and teach the children about stranger danger. Too much going on in today's world to just be gentle and ignore or look the other way on reality.	excellent	security	other	1

Response #	Administration Positive	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
222	We have had a very positive experience so far. The staff has been very friendly and asked a lot of good questions to help our child adjust and thrive. Love that a lot of the school activists are shared so we know what's going on in the schools	excellent	teacher pos	admin pos	1
309	I think they are very good. Well maintained and run. The teachers are great. I believe all improvements begin at home. In order for the testing levels to improve parents need to be more involved. Unfortunately the schools can't control that. They are doing great.	excellent	facilities	admin pos	1
58	Pleased so far. Administrators and teachers are welcoming and my children love it	good	teacher pos	admin pos	1
471	Good and getting better. Keep staying competitive in technology	good	admin pos		1
454	Very friendly and helpful	good	admin pos	teacher pos	1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Taxes	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
547	Taxes not being used for the purposes relayed by district. e.g. -> was told kids all would have access to tablets/ computers. Truth is kids' parents are asked to get a device for child to make it easier for all. Teachers are forced to teach multiple subjects with no individual student attention. Liberal arts and other cuts as taxes keep going up.	admin neg	taxes	funding	1
50	I have no kids in school. I hear they are excellent however all my 6k taxes are going towards education. We should get a rebate over 55	excellent	taxes		1
599	I believe services/education provided by the Southwick Public Schools are too limited due to budget constraints. I would be willing to pay a higher tax rate to improve services/education provided by the schools.	funding	taxes		1
453	Wasted tax-payer money for expansion.	funding	taxes		1
581	no opinion but I am sure that is the reason my property taxes are so high	no opinion	taxes		1
426	Takes a large percentage of taxpayer money	taxes			1
440	An expense.	taxes			1
491	No comment. No kids but expensive	taxes			1
515	Expensive	taxes			1
520	very expensive for the number of students and faculty. Should not be half of town budget.	taxes			1
583	Consume way too much of our taxes. 50% of our property tax goes to the public schools. Put a cap on percentage of taxes going to public schools. As the tax base grows the increase in tax revenue should go to other departments.	taxes			1
210	Good, but too much of the town tax goes to maintaining them.	good	taxes		1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Special Needs	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
141	They are okay . I have two children who are currently attending them I am a teacher in a different district and Southwick is just OK. They do not have a good special education program they do not have a lot of resources and funding like the bigger cities around and they have a high turnover of teachers	average	special needs		1
236	I really don't have much to say. It's a public school, I don't think it's any worse than the schools in any other surrounding towns. I went to Southwick High and I turned out just fine. However, from the stories I have heard I can say that it sounds like our special education program is an absolute nightmare.	average	special needs		1
361	OK, not great. Seems like nearly every kid is in "Special Education" of some sort, which saps resources.	average	special needs		1
568	They could be better. Schools get money for number of school attendees. They get more if they are 'special needs'. Southwick tends to diagnose a lot of special needs even if they aren't for the money	average	special needs		1
345	The schools in Southwick are fine, although they offer little assistance to those with learning disabilities or special needs, often leading those kids not to get the help they need and falling behind	good	special needs		1
514	For my grown biological children, Southwick schools provided a good education. For my current two teenage adopted Latino trauma children the school system has fallen far short of providing them with FAPE. Every year is a struggle. We want to see a change where Southwick actually cares about ALL children regardless of their background, ethnicity, or educational needs. Children on IEP's at Southwick do not get what they need unless the parents are proactively involved in their children's education!	good	special needs		1
435	They did not help our children with their specific needs. The teachers were wonderful, but some students were not focused or willing to be there and follow the rules or do the work. Those students demanded attention and were disruptive to students that wanted to learn and excel at school	special needs	teacher pos		1
285	need better special education services	special needs			1
63	I have two children with special needs and have heard this is an area that needs a lot of improvement. In particular, following through with actions outlined in IEP plans. Out experience so far has been just ok.	special needs			1

Response #	Special Needs	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
60	There is a lack of funding for children outside the bell curve of average. Not enough funding to support special needs. Not enough funding to support gifted & talented children. The schools are fine only if your children are average learners.	special needs	advanced classes		1
244	Poorly run special education; lack of sports options; facilities were built / updated on too small of a scale (air conditioning lacking, etc.).	special needs	athletics	bldgs.	1
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32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Music/Arts	Category	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
282	Southwick Public schools are small which means everyone knows each other. They took away some classes like honors science class and some AP classes that students were wanting to take. They seem to think that applied art courses are more important than fine arts, meaning they also took away some of those classes. There are groups in the high school to try and change bullying and unacceptable behavior, but it does not work. The principles don't do much to change the bullying besides speaking about it. The schools circle around sports and praises them.	advanced classes	bully	music/arts		1
238	They are okay. Not enough money is funded to them so many curriculums are bad. The language department is a wreck as most (specifically Spanish) teachers are hired one year and fired the next. These teachers also do not receive a specific curriculum to follow. Our art department is severely lacking. The overall atmosphere is okay and there is an effort to improve and be more inclusive.	average	admin neg	funding	music/arts	1
295	Generally OK, but not very friendly or hospitable to music and the other arts. Some recent high school principals seem more interested in taking the position to boost their retirement, rather than to serve the students.	average	admin neg	music/arts		1
384	seems to be going downhill. was better back in the 80's / 90's. there is less support for band, music programs. Appears many people are choosing to send their children out of town.	average	music/arts			1
608	They were excellent when my children attended. I think the arts need to be encouraged. And respect should be taught. Parents should be encouraged to support the teachers!	excellent	music/arts			1

Response #	Music/Arts	Category	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
517	They could be much better, more money could be spent on bettering the art programs like band, drama, and other art classes. There is also not a lot of help for kids and their families that are struggling with mental health issues.	funding	music/arts			1
371	It's more of a Massachusetts restated issue. The total focus on MCAS scores has undermined the teaching of life skills, music and other arts. I'm not aware of regular opportunities to attend after school special interest activities either.	music/Arts				1
450	Overall very good. We need to expand opportunities for voc/tech, the arts, STEM	excellent	vocational	music/arts		1
608	They were excellent when my children attended. I think the arts need to be encouraged. And respect should be taught. Parents should be encouraged to support the teachers!	excellent	music/arts	other		1
567	Good to Fair, more emphasis needed on core skills (Math, Language Arts, Science, Technology)	good	too liberal	music/arts		1
399	A diverse, strong and well-funded school system is good for our community and improves property values. I would like to see increased funding for teacher retention and recruiting highly qualified diverse teachers and administrators. Expanded funding of the arts and sciences as well as fully funded preschool.	good	funding	music/arts		1
						11

(Write in Response from Question 32)

32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Athletics	Category	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
205	Decent schools but with the limited academic and athletic opportunities you would expect from a small rural school. One of the reasons we moved to this town was for the schools.	advanced classes	athletics			1
356	Great school system but lack diversity at all levels. Also, need to provide more Physical Education options for our students.	excellent	athletics	diversity		1
297	Good education but with some sports we have to send kids elsewhere to play. I.e. Lacrosse football	good	athletics			1
363	Solid but not great. I wish there was football and other activities for the kids.	good	athletics			1
446	For what we used of the Southwick Public schools I feel it is a well-established system...a bit disorganized at times...our daughter attended 8th thru 12th Grades at the high school in Southwick. And this town NEEDS a football team in the school system!!	good	athletics			1
620	Nicer bus drivers, they scream! Better options for lunch. Better quality teachers. Better uniforms for girl sports teams! Better rec center, better high school fields.	other	admin neg	athletics		1
614	Nicer bus drivers, cleaner lunchrooms, younger subs, better girl sport uniforms, better high school fields.	other	athletics			1
244	Poorly run special education; lack of sports options; facilities were built / updated on too small of a scale (air conditioning lacking, etc.).	special needs	athletics	bldgs.		1
135	Need to focus more on life essential learning. More home economics and wood shop classes. More sports.	too liberal	vocational	athletics		1

Response #	Athletics	Category	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses	
438	Southwick Public Schools are of very high quality and provide a safe and beneficial place to learn. However, the schools are on a smaller scale and thus don't have access to many things that other school systems have, such as certain clubs and sports like football. Despite this, the school is very inclusive to all students regardless of ethnicity, religion, sexuality, etc., and the education provided at the Southwick Public Schools is very high quality.	excellent	funding	athletics	diversity	1	
577	We have not lived in the town long and most of our time has been during the pandemic, but my initial perception of the school is that they can be improved, especially in regard to creating more robust athletic/extracurricular programming.	average	athletics			1	
						11	

(Write in Response from Question 32)

32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Communication	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
534	Poor. Very little information regarding curriculum and performance of the students. Graduation rates mean nothing in terms of proficiency or lack thereof of students. Southwick's position in terms of standing in the state ranking is poor.	below average	communication		1
75	Unknown. The schools do not communicate to the public. More than half the town have no children in the system thus no information provided.	communication			1
99	They hide issues from the public. They think pouring more money into the system educates kids.	communication			1
416	Not very easy to communicate	communication			1
600	We need better communicating with the school and their students. Southwick school system needs to change their blocks from 4 90min blocks to shorter blocks this will help students stay focused in class and participate more. Teachers also need to take the time to actually teach and educate their students, don't let them sit through an entire class period doing nothing.	communication	admin neg	teacher neg	1
226	Neutral. Not enough extra-curricular offered or encouraged, many very openly opinionated teachers, sub-par parent communication, but open to parent initiated discussions and supportive of the "squeaky wheel".	communication	other		1
221	Schools are more worried about social issues than education.	communication	too liberal		1
16	They overall do a good job. They need to improve their transparency and communication with parents. Seek out the parents' opinions on matters that will affect their children. Do not just rely on the opinions of the teacher's union or career educators.	good	communication		1
251	Decent school system. The structure seems to work for the students. More communication to residents about activities and functions whether they have students in the system or not.	good	communication		1
					9

(Write in Response from Question 32)

32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Security	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
412	Poor leadership by superintendent and WES principal. Lack of accountability for harmful decisions affecting student safety made by both in the past. Children leaving the district because administration fails to meet needs. I could go on. Finally a good group in the school council.	admin neg	security		1
385	I have issues with the education. Have an issue with security measures in middle and elementary. High school is the most secure and measures dwindle between high school and middle. And less with elementary school	admin neg	security		1
68	Ok. They don't take security in the buildings seriously. I don't know how much grant money they receive, but they should write more grants to save the town some money. As a matter of fact, every department could/should do this. Maybe the town should hire a grant writer.	average	security	other	1
546	More security. metal detectors. Officer in the school. Doors need to be locked.	security			1
70	As a teacher who lives in Southwick but works in a different district, I like the idea of Southwick having much smaller numbers of students. That being said, I'm not sure if there should be such a large range of ages in each school. Possibly another building might help (i.e. middle school).	security			1
253	As someone who grew up in Southwick and now works for the schools I might be biased. I think the teachers and administration are very driven to do right but the children of the town. Of course there's outliers but the overwhelming majority put their best foot forward. Woodland and Powder Mill are in desperate need of updating though. No air conditioning in 2 old brick buildings make the warmer times of the year almost unbearable. As a student I thought it was ridiculous, but now as an employee it seems almost nonsensical how some of the classrooms were set up with the lack of air conditioning, power outlets, and internet cabling despite the renovations a decade ago.	security			1

Response #	Security	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses	
109	Southwick schools are very good. Possibly even the best in the state. I am always in touch with my son's teacher and IEP teachers. I am very satisfied with the schools. I do however ask about when kids learn about strangers , drugs, the bad things that possibly happen in today's society. No one seems to have a answer. I believe firmly the schools should have security, have a dare program, and teach the children about stranger danger. Too much going on in today's world to just be gentle and ignore or look the other way on reality.	excellent	security	other	1	
					7	

(Write in Response from Question 32)

32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Bullying	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
282	Southwick Public schools are small which means everyone knows each other. They took away some classes like honors science class and some AP classes that students were wanting to take. They seem to think that applied art courses are more important than fine arts, meaning they also took away some of those classes. There are groups in the high school to try and change bullying and unacceptable behavior, but it does not work. The principles don't do much to change the bullying besides speaking about it. The schools circle around sports and praises them.	advanced classes	bully	music/arts	1
5	Awful. Beyond too much bullying. It has been going on far too long. Always overlooked or passed by or ignored..	below average	bully		1
217	My child was bullied at Southwick HS. Do better.	bully			1
309	I think they are very good. Well maintained and run. The teachers are great. I believe all improvements begin at home. In order for the testing levels to improve parents need to be more involved. Unfortunately the schools can't control that. They are doing great.	excellent	bully		1
275	Graduated from Southwick Public Schools in 2016. Was very satisfied with my education, but more needs to be done to support minority groups, particularly the LGBTQ community. I am aware of several students who had to leave the school system in the last several years due to systematic bullying by students, and a lack of intervention by staff.	good	bully		1
					5

(Write in Response from Question 32)

32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Too Political	Category	Category	Qty of responses	
529	Declining. Need to focus on high quality diversified and inclusive education. School board of focused on politics not education.	admin neg	too political	1	
259	I don't have nor have I ever had kids in Southwick Public Schools. However, I have heard it is very political which it should not be.	too political		1	
252	School district has become politicized by conservative school committee members that want to push conservative ideology upon unknowing children - schools are becoming a breeding ground for ideological clashes rather than a place for children to get a good education. School district has been on a downward slide since current administration in each of the schools was put in place and former school committee chairman retired.	too political	admin neg	1	
644	Deedy and Fox were in the tank for Boldyga's wife and her pal to serve in the school committee. Political hack folly. Those two, and frankly most of the SC did nothing to advance the quality of education in town. Jenn Willard has done a fine job as superintendent. Your principals are committed and an inspiration to our children. Notwithstanding the incompetence of the SC the administration does a great job.	too political	admin pos	1	
213	We spend way too much money on the wrong things and even those things are broken. Families need to value education more and not treat it like a baby sitting service. (That message comes from a community culture.) Our town does not back education and supports its leaders. Our town tells our educational leaders what to do. Then when it goes wrong, education is to blame. Teachers are blamed. Stop treating education like customer service.	too political	other	1	
				5	

(Write in Response from Question 32)

32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Teacher pay	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
61	The schools pay the teachers some of the lowest salaries in the surrounding towns which is leading our best teachers to leave. I'm worried for the quality of education in the coming years if this continues.	admin neg	teacher pay		1
255	I think that the schools need bigger teacher salary budgets in order to attract the most qualified personnel. I would rate the school as below average for Massachusetts and above average country wide. I would love to see the entire country's school systems adopt a more modern approach to education, which includes abolition of standardized testing and rote memorization, and greater focus on critical thinking	below average	teacher pay		1
619	Most of our teachers are highly educated and hard working. However, the salaries in Southwick are not competitive enough to entice new qualified teachers, paraprofessionals or substitutes to come to our district, and those within our district who are highly qualified often stay with inferior pay because of their dedication to our kids. They should not have to make that choice. Focusing on our school systems will help the entire community as high performing schools also bring in families who will invest in the community. In addition, teachers, being the professionals and experts in their fields, should have more say on what curriculum and programs are implemented with final approval by the School Board.	funding	teacher pay	teacher pos	1
44	Over worked and under paid profession.	teacher pay			1
605	Teachers are fantastic but the salaries could be more competitive	teacher pos	teacher pay	funding	1
					5

(Write in Response from Question 32)

32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Diversity	Category	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
211	I have heard that diversity issues have been an issue in the schools and I hope that changes before my son enters kindergarten.	diversity				1
356	Great school system but lack diversity at all levels. Also, need to provide more Physical Education options for our students.	excellent	athletics	diversity		1
283	Excellent teachers who are passionate and care for their students, school committee and admin can't get out of their own way sometimes/don't act with student interests in mind. Admin across the board need to promote inclusion of LGBTQ students as well as students of color; can think of several instances of students using racist language towards students of color and never receiving punishment	too liberal	admin neg	diversity		1
438	Southwick Public Schools are of very high quality and provide a safe and beneficial place to learn. However, the schools are on a smaller scale and thus don't have access to many things that other school systems have, such as certain clubs and sports like football. Despite this, the school is very inclusive to all students regardless of ethnicity, religion, sexuality, etc., and the education provided at the Southwick Public Schools is very high quality.	excellent	funding	athletics	diversity	1
514	For my grown biological children, Southwick schools provided a good education. For my current two teenage adopted Latino trauma children the school system has fallen far short of providing them with FAPE. Every year is a struggle. We want to see a change where Southwick actually cares about ALL children regardless of their background, ethnicity, or educational needs. Children on IEPs at Southwick do not get what they need unless the parents are proactively involved in their children's education!	good	special needs	diversity		1
						5

(Write in Response from Question 32)

32. What is your perception of Southwick public schools?**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Teacher negative	Category	Category	Category	Qty of responses
278	the teaching could be better as well as the ability to hire staff in the schools	average	teacher neg		
600	We need better communicating with the school and their students. Southwick school system needs to change their blocks from 4 90min blocks to shorter blocks this will help students stay focused in class and participate more. Teachers also need to take the time to actually teach and educate their students, don't let them sit through an entire class period doing nothing.	communication	teacher neg		1
658	We spent too much on expansion! New roof/updated science wing/tablets/laptops were necessary. 10 new classrooms? A waste. Quality of education seems to be declining in high school, due in part to apathy in teachers. Need evaluation of all educators immediately!	funding	teacher neg	other	1
368	Fortunately my children are older. One is just graduated. The other is a junior. I think they have done well in school partly because of strong parental support. I do feel concerned over the new generation of teachers coming into the education system to teach young children as a whole.	good	teacher neg		1
277	I believe that the Southwick Public schools definitely need to have better/stable teachers meaning teachers that want to teach there and stay there, multiple times I've had absent teachers where I'm learning little to nothing.	teacher neg			1
					4

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Summary of Responses Below			
		Count	% of Total
Broader curriculum		8	13.1
Better education		8	13.1
Advanced classes		6	9.8
Religious reasons		5	8.2
Family/Student choice		4	6.6
Joint custody of children		4	6.6
Other		4	6.6
Smaller class sizes		4	6.6
Student support		3	4.9
Athletics		2	3.3
Bullying		2	3.3
Different values		1	1.6
Drugs		1	1.6
Student safety		1	1.6
School Committee		1	1.6
Special needs		1	1.6
Taxes		1	1.6
Vacation home in Southwick		1	1.6
Social		1	1.6
Better remote learning		1	1.6
Individual attention		1	1.6
Bus issues		1	1.6
		61	100.0

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34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.**Actual Responses Below**

Response #	Broader Curriculum	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
11	Attends technical school for programs not offered in Southwick	broader curriculum			1
27	Our oldest goes to C-tech for the part-time trade program. younger is contemplating going to Westfield Voc-Tech for a trade as well in a year when he moves up to 9th grade.	broader curriculum			1
17	Poor quality of services and lack of options for students - academic, athletic and social.	broader curriculum	athletics	social	1
24	Westfield Technical School was a much better option than traveling by bus to a one-hour technical class in West Springfield to rush back into the building makes no sense at all.	broader curriculum			1
39	When my child was school age, we did not feel public schooling was adequate. Back then and especially today they teach to pass the MCAS, period.	broader curriculum			1
41	WTA is a better school than CTEC and he is learning a trade not offered at CTEC	broader curriculum			1
44	WTA is a better school than CTEC and he is learning a trade not offered at CTEC	broader curriculum			1
37	We homeschool to give them better support for the type of education we want our children to receive, including religious subjects.	religious reasons	better support	broader curriculum	1
					8

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Better education	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
1	Better education	better education		Category
6	Better education received	better education		1
26	Better schooling. They are out of school now.	better education		1
46	Higher standard level of education for college prep.	better education		1
38	My wife works there; better quality education (resources) than Southwick schools	better education		1
15	Southwick schools are not up to par with the education my children receive at a private school.	better education		1
43	Small class sizes, resources available	smaller class size	better resources	1
34	We pay relatively high taxes for fewer services.	taxes	better education	1
				1
				8

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Advanced classes	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
40	Gifted and talented program	advanced classes		1
18	He attends a private college Out of state but did attend Southwick regional high school when in school	advanced classes		1
3	Initially we opted for private school because Woodland was adamant they wouldn't allow our daughter to start school early (November birthday). We continue to stay at private school because they support gifted & talented learners and we're not sure Southwick public schools could challenge our child and keep her engaged in learning (spoken from my own personal experience with Southwick public schools).	advanced classes		1
2	insufficient accommodations for advanced children	advanced classes		1
25	Lack of challenge for one child. Lack of support for second child.	advanced classes	poor school support	1
32	See earlier response. Should not be a battle to access meaningful educational support services. Children completely bored and not challenged with the curriculum. Too much time spent on non-core classes e.g. reading writing and arithmetic, geography.	advanced classes	student support	1
				6

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Religious reasons	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
12	I am the product of the Catholic school system, and I was extremely satisfied with my education (I have two doctoral degrees). I was hoping to duplicate that success story for my children.	religious reasons		1
35	It is smaller and supports our religious values	religious reasons	smaller classes	1
33	Religious beliefs.	religious reasons		1
42	Smaller school and aligns to faith	religious reasons	smaller class sizes	1
37	We homeschool to give them better support for the type of education we want our children to receive, including religious subjects.	religious reasons	better support	1
				5

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Family/Student choice	Category	Qty of Responses
9	all public until high school 2/3 went to private high school at student choice	family/student choice	1
13	Choice not to attend public school	family/student choice	1
10	Explained above	family/student choice	1
16	Moved from Agawam and wanted to keep them there	family/student choice	1
			4

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Joint custody	Category	Qty of Responses
8	I parent 50/50 with their mother and Simsbury public schools blow Southwick out of the water.	joint custody	1
7	Joint custody, school based on father residence.	joint custody	1
23	They live with their mom in Feeding Hills	Joint custody	1
4	My kids don't live in town full time	Joint custody	1
			4

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Other	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
22	Because	other		1
20	No	other		1
5	Town infrastructure needs work. Many roads are in terrible condition	other		1
28	Because the Southwick school system does not care about the safety and well-being of the kids	safety concerns	well being concerns	1
				4

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Smaller class sizes	Category	Category	Responses
35	It is smaller and supports our religious values	religious reasons	smaller classes	1
42	Smaller school and aligns to faith	religious reasons	smaller class sizes	1
43	Small class sizes, resources available	smaller class size	better resources	1
29	Smaller class size. Individual attention to their needs & more opportunity for their talents	smaller class size	individual attention	1
				4

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Student Support	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
25	Lack of challenge for one child. Lack of support for second child.	advanced classes	poor school support		1
32	See earlier response. Should not be a battle to access meaningful educational support services. Children completely bored and not challenged with the curriculum. Too much time spent on non-core classes e.g. reading writing and arithmetic, geography.	advanced classes	student support		1
37	We homeschool to give them better support for the type of education we want our children to receive, including religious subjects.	religious reasons	better support	advanced classes	1
					3

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Athletics	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
36	My son wanted the opportunity to play lacrosse in HS which Southwick does not offer. My daughter is a graduate of the Southwick school system.	athletics			1
17	Poor quality of services and lack of options for students - academic, athletic and social.	broader curriculum	athletics	social	1
					2

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below					
Response #	Bullying	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
45	Due to bullying and remote learning only options post COVID shut down.	bullying	better remote learning		1
14	Southwick schools and buses have too many issues with the children that use them from drugs to language to bullying and more.	drugs	bullying	bus issues	1
					2

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Different values	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
30	Public schools do not share our values.	different values		1
				1

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Drugs	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
14	Southwick schools and buses have too many issues with the children that use them from drugs to language to bullying and more.	drugs	bullying	bus issues	1
					1

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

	Actual Responses Below				
Response #	Safety	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
28	Because the Southwick school system does not care about the safety and well-being of the kids	safety concerns	well being concerns		1
					1

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34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

	Actual Responses Below			
Response #	School ommittee	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
21	The board runs them in their own best interests rather than on behalf of what is best for and/or representative of the community.	School Committee		1
				1

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Special needs	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
31	One of our daughters is special needs and an out of district placement is appropriate for services the town cannot provide.	special needs		1
				1

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Taxes	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
34	We pay relatively high taxes for fewer services.	taxes	better education	1
				1

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Vacation home	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
19	My primary home is in Palmer	vacation home in Southwick		1
				1

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Social	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
17	Poor quality of services and lack of options for students - academic, athletic and social.	broader curriculum	athletics	social	1
					1

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Better Remote Learning	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
45	Due to bullying and remote learning only options post COVID shut down.	bullying	better remote learning		1
					1

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Individual attention	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
29	Smaller class size. Individual attention to their needs & more opportunity for their talents	smaller class size	individual attention		1
					1

(Write in Response from Question 34)

34. If you have school-aged children that do not attend Southwick Public School, please tell us why.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Bus issues	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses
14	Southwick schools and buses have too many issues with the children that use them from drugs to language to bullying and more.	drugs	bullying	bus issues	1
					1

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Summary of Responses

Category	Option 1		Option 2		Option 3		Grand Totals		
	(Priority 1)		(Priority 2)		(Priority 3)		# of responses	% of total responses	Cum Total %
	# of responses	% of total responses	# of responses	% of total responses	# of responses	% of total responses			
Hiking	73.0	12.8	36.0	7.4	25.0	7.4	134.0	9.6	9.6
Biking	39.0	6.9	41.0	8.5	19.0	5.6	99.0	7.1	16.7
Team sports	40.0	7.0	29.0	6.0	22.0	6.5	91.0	6.5	23.3
Swimming	35.0	6.2	29.0	6.0	23.0	6.8	87.0	6.2	29.5
Parks	25.0	4.4	33.0	6.8	28.0	8.2	86.0	6.2	35.7
Congamond	38.0	6.7	26.0	5.4	21.0	6.2	85.0	6.1	41.8
Pickleball	38.0	6.7	18.0	3.7	14.0	4.1	70.0	5.0	46.8
Entertainment	20.0	3.5	29.0	6.0	21.0	6.2	70.0	5.0	51.8
ATV	37.0	6.5	14.0	2.9	9.0	2.6	60.0	4.3	56.1
Tennis	33.0	5.8	19.0	3.9	7.0	2.1	59.0	4.2	60.4
Festivals	15.0	2.6	21.0	4.3	18.0	5.3	54.0	3.9	64.2
Ice skating	13.0	2.3	19.0	3.9	13.0	3.8	45.0	3.2	67.5
Misc.	6.0	1.1	23.0	4.8	14.0	4.1	43.0	3.1	70.6
Dog park	22.0	3.9	12.0	2.5	6.0	1.8	40.0	2.9	73.4
Hunting/fishing	10.0	1.8	17.0	3.5	12.0	3.5	39.0	2.8	76.2
Splash pad	13.0	2.3	13.0	2.7	11.0	3.2	37.0	2.7	78.9
Other sports	12.0	2.1	10.0	2.1	14.0	4.1	36.0	2.6	81.5
Snowmobiling	9.0	1.6	11.0	2.3	4.0	1.2	24.0	1.7	83.2
Skate park	8.0	1.4	7.0	1.4	8.0	2.4	23.0	1.7	84.9
XC skiing	8.0	1.4	7.0	1.4	8.0	2.4	23.0	1.7	86.5
Recreation center	5.0	0.9	12.0	2.5	6.0	1.8	23.0	1.7	88.2
Horses	8.0	1.4	7.0	1.4	3.0	0.9	18.0	1.3	89.4
Nature	3.0	0.5	9.0	1.9	5.0	1.5	17.0	1.2	90.7
Motocross	8.0	1.4	6.0	1.2	3.0	0.9	17.0	1.2	91.9
Child recreation	2.0	0.4	7.0	1.4	6.0	1.8	15.0	1.1	93.0
Gardens	6.0	1.1	6.0	1.2	3.0	0.9	15.0	1.1	94.0
No more needed	9.0	1.6	2.0	0.4	1.0	0.3	12.0	0.9	94.9
Running	6.0	1.1	3.0	0.6	3.0	0.9	12.0	0.9	95.8
Shooting range	2.0	0.4	4.0	0.8	3.0	0.9	9.0	0.6	96.4
Golf	6.0	1.1	2.0	0.4	1.0	0.3	9.0	0.6	97.1
Restaurants	7.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.6	9.0	0.6	97.7
No opinion	3.0	0.5	2.0	0.4	3.0	0.9	8.0	0.6	98.3

Category	# of responses	% of total responses	# of responses	% of total responses	# of responses	% of total responses	# of responses	% of total responses	Cum Total %
Camps/Camping	3.0	0.5	2.0	0.4	3.0	0.9	8.0	0.6	98.9
Historic tours	5.0	0.9	2.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	7.0	0.5	99.4
Adult recreation	2.0	0.4	3.0	0.6	1.0	0.3	6.0	0.4	99.8
Shopping	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.2	100.0
	569.0	100.0	484.0	99.4	340.0	100.0	1393.0		100.0

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Hiking Option 1	Category	Response Qty
210	Additional hiking trails	Hiking	1
436	Additional walking/hiking areas	Hiking	1
487	Better hiking trails	Hiking	1
259	Better maintained hiking trails	Hiking	1
250	Continued hiking/walking/biking access	Hiking	1
495	Designated hiking areas	Hiking	1
465	Expanded passive recreation (walking, hiking, XC skiing, conservation areas)	Hiking	1
490	group hikes fund raiser	Hiking	1
36	Hiking	Hiking	1
73	Hiking	Hiking	1
175	Hiking	Hiking	1
219	Hiking	Hiking	1
252	Hiking	Hiking	1
275	Hiking	Hiking	1
331	Hiking	Hiking	1
341	Hiking	Hiking	1
387	Hiking	Hiking	1
438	Hiking	Hiking	1
472	Hiking	Hiking	1
534	Hiking	Hiking	1
49	Hiking	Hiking	1
66	Hiking	hiking	1
460	hiking	hiking	1
443	hiking club	hiking	1
94	Hiking trails	hiking	1
185	Hiking trails	hiking	1
273	Hiking trails	hiking	1
335	Hiking trails	hiking	1
494	Hiking trails	hiking	1
117	Hiking trails	hiking	1
261	Hiking trails	hiking	1
507	Hiking Trails	hiking	1

Response #	Hiking	Category	Response Qty
39	Hiking trails connecting public lands where possible	hiking	1
575	hiking trails cross country	hiking	1
461	Hiking trails in forest (Sodom Mountain area)	hiking	1
297	hiking trails off rail trail	hiking	1
20	Hiking trails	hiking	1
476	Hiking/Mt biking maintain trail system, Fishing	hiking	1
37	hiking/walking	hiking	1
411	hiking/walking	hiking	1
479	hiking/walking trails	hiking	1
248	Improved hiking trails	hiking	1
42	Maintained hiking trails	hiking	1
32	More hiking	hiking	1
59	More hiking	hiking	1
69	More hiking trails	hiking	1
286	More hiking trails	hiking	1
456	More hiking trails	hiking	1
459	more hiking trails	hiking	1
471	More hiking trails	hiking	1
191	Hiking mountain biking horseback riding trails	hiking	1
223	More hiking trails	hiking	1
158	More marked trails for hiking, snowshoeing	hiking	1
556	More open lands for hiking	hiking	1
449	more trails/ hiking	hiking	1
251	More walkable areas	hiking	1
258	More walking trails	hiking	1
96	More walking/hiking trails	hiking	1
166	More/better hiking trails	hiking	1
466	Natural walking trails	hiking	1
481	Park walking areas	hiking	1
464	Public land for hiking	hiking	1
316	Trail walking	hiking	1
558	VERY PLEASED W/RAIL TRAIL	hiking	1
236	Walking	hiking	1
345	walking paths which are for walkers only, no vehicles	hiking	1
44	Walking Trails	hiking	1
56	Walking trails	hiking	1
179	walking trails	hiking	1
181	Walking trails	hiking	1
249	walking trails	hiking	1
398	Walking trails	hiking	1
169	Walking trails with parking	hiking	1
			73

Response #	Hiking	Category	Response Qty
	Hiking		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
63	Hiking	hiking	1
95	Hiking	hiking	1
109	HIKING	hiking	1
151	Hiking	hiking	1
166	Hiking	hiking	1
227	hiking	hiking	1
282	Hiking	hiking	1
292	hiking	hiking	1
301	hiking	hiking	1
309	Hiking	hiking	1
315	Hiking	hiking	1
409	Hiking	hiking	1
67	Hiking	hiking	1
80	Hiking	hiking	1
87	Hiking	hiking	1
123	Hiking	hiking	1
476	hiking area	hiking	1
28	hiking trails	hiking	1
174	Hiking trails	hiking	1
365	Hiking trails	hiking	1
471	hiking trails	hiking	1
252	Hiking trails	hiking	1
108	Hiking trails.	hiking	1
221	hiking/camping	hiking	1
239	Improved care of existing preserved areas for hiking	hiking	1
91	keep/add hiking/nature trails	hiking	1
115	More open space trails	hiking	1
49	More public walking trails in the woods	hiking	1
308	Nature trails (hiking/walking)	hiking	1
81	Walk paths/parks	hiking	1
43	Walk, hike	hiking	1
21	Walking	hiking	1
19	Walking	hiking	1
219	Walking	hiking	1
453	walking (hiking) trails	hiking	1
460	Walking Trails	hiking	1
			36

Response #	Hiking	Category	Response Qty
	Hiking		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
11	Hiking	hiking	1
85	Hiking	hiking	1
112	Hiking	hiking	1
209	Hiking	hiking	1
254	Hiking	hiking	1
259	Hiking	hiking	1
182	Hiking	hiking	1
139	Hiking / outdoor trails	hiking	1
24	Hiking trails	hiking	1
27	Hiking trails	hiking	1
79	hiking trails	hiking	1
159	Hiking Trails	hiking	1
338	HIKING/BIKING TRAILS	hiking	1
65	hiking/skiing trails	hiking	1
247	increase hiking areas	hiking	1
90	maybe a walking path around the lakes somehow	hiking	1
133	more hiking paths	hiking	1
300	more hiking trails	hiking	1
347	more hiking trails	hiking	1
345	More woods with walking trails	hiking	1
235	Rail trail usage	hiking	1
200	walk	hiking	1
141	Walking	hiking	1
91	Walking	hiking	1
249	Walking/hiking trails	hiking	1
95	hiking	hiking	1
			25

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Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Biking	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
427	bicycling	biking	1
89	Bicycling lanes on 57, 202	biking	1
317	bike	biking	1
525	Bike path	biking	1
106	bike paths	biking	1
404	Bike trail	biking	1
538	Bike trail maintained	biking	1
333	Bike trails	biking	1
422	Bike Trails	biking	1
	Bike trails and Safe bike riding along major		
177	roads	biking	1
18	Biking	biking	1
24	Biking	biking	1
137	BIKING	biking	1
161	Biking	biking	1
186	Biking	biking	1
233	Biking	biking	1
242	Biking	biking	1
271	biking	biking	1
346	biking	biking	1
396	Biking	biking	1
115	Biking	biking	1
72	Camping	biking	1
310	Camping	biking	1
	Continue to maintain/upgrade Rail Trail		
546	(Bike Trail)	biking	1
228	Continuous biking trails to close towns	biking	1
235	Cycling lanes	biking	1
328	Fishing derby	biking	1
407	Increase use of rail trail	biking	1
109	maintain bike trail	biking	1
70	More access to bike trail	biking	1
372	More bicycle riding options	biking	1
513	More bike and walking paths	biking	1

Response #	Biking	Category	Response Qty
125	more bike trails	biking	1
142	More bike/walk trails	biking	1
25	Town funded camps	biking	1
9	Mountain biking	mountain biking	1
154	Mountain biking	mountain biking	1
431	Mountain biking trails/ park	mountain biking	1
243	Single track mountain biking	mountain biking	1
			39
	Biking		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
173	Additional rest areas on current rail trail	biking	1
249	bicycling routes	biking	1
184	Bike lanes	biking	1
120	bike path	biking	1
147	Bike paths with parking	biking	1
442	Bike race	biking	1
477	bike rentals	biking	1
381	Bike riding	biking	1
312	Bike trail	biking	1
348	Bike Trail (Trail for Rails)	biking	1
152	Bike trail preservation	biking	1
24	bike trails	biking	1
31	Biking	biking	1
114	Biking	biking	1
129	biking	biking	1
177	Biking	biking	1
195	Biking	biking	1
276	Biking	biking	1
228	biking	biking	1
39	biking trails	biking	1
197	Increased bike lanes	biking	1
286	Increasing bike routes	biking	1
344	maintain bike path	biking	1
175	Maintained hiking trails	biking	1
34	Maintenance of rail trail	biking	1
275	More bike trails	biking	1
419	More bike lanes	biking	1
42	More bike lanes on roads	biking	1
389	More bike trails	biking	1

Response #	Biking	Category	Response Qty
206	More parking near bike path access points	biking	1
352	More rail trail ingress and egress	biking	1
401	Off-road biking	biking	1
349	rail trail	biking	1
447	Rail trail	biking	1
337	Rail trail upkeep	biking	1
478	safe walking along major roads	biking	1
201	downhill mountain biking	mountain biking	1
10	mountain bike trails	mountain biking	1
232	Mountain biking	mountain biking	1
217	Mountain biking trails	mountain biking	1
298	Mt bike trails	mountain biking	1
			41
	Biking		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
206	Additional Bike/Walking trails (Rail trail a great start!)	biking	1
329	Additional Bike/Walking trails (Rail trail a great start!)	biking	1
34	Bike lanes	biking	1
155	Bike lanes	biking	1
231	Bike or walking group	biking	1
138	Bike paths and lanes	biking	1
257	Bike riding	biking	1
217	Bike trails	biking	1
132	Biking	biking	1
165	Biking	biking	1
166	Biking	biking	1
214	biking	biking	1
346	biking area	biking	1
187	Biking trails	biking	1
175	cycling	biking	1
53	more bike routes not on the road	biking	1
250	Road biking	biking	1
162	Safer roads for bikers and runners	biking	1
241	Biking	biking	1
			19

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Team Sports

Summary of team sports

Title	Option 1 Qty	Option 2 Qty	Option 3 Qty	Total Qty
Football	9	2	5	16
Basketball	5	5	5	15
Adult sports	4	4	4	12
Soccer	1	5	5	11
Lacrosse	5	2	2	9
Softball	3	2	2	7
Volleyball	4	2	1	7
Baseball	4	0	0	4

Actual Responses Below

Response #		Category	Category	Response Qty	
	Option 1				
163	Adult sport teams	team sports	adult	1	
439	Community rec center with adult rec leagues	team sports	adult	1	
549	Community sports teams for adults who are still active	team sports	adult	1	
567	Senior softball league	team sports	adult	1	
540	Baseball	team sports	baseball	1	
30	BASEBALL	team sports	baseball	1	
35	Baseball	team sports	baseball	1	
58	Rec center baseball and softball again. Those field look like trash now	team sports	baseball	1	
278	basketball	team sports	basketball	1	
29	basketball courts	team sports	basketball	1	
123	Basketball courts- more	team sports	basketball	1	
147	maintained basketball courts	team sports	basketball	1	
152	more basketball courts	team sports	basketball	1	
192	Better soccer program	team sports	soccer	1	
440	Football	team sports	football	1	
402	Football	team sports	football	1	

Response #		Category	Category	Response Qty	
140	Football	team sports	football	1	
80	Football	team sports	football	1	
441	Football	team sports	football	1	
196	Football	team sports	football	1	
212	Football Field/Team	team sports	football	1	
394	Football Team in the school system	team sports	football	1	
178	Football/flag football	team sports	football	1	
450	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
312	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
311	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
188	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
86	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
527	Softball	team sports	softball	1	
467	Softball	team sports	softball	1	
452	softball	team sports	softball	1	
362	Volleyball	team sports	volleyball	1	
203	Volleyball courts, kayak launch on south pond	team sports	volleyball	1	
308	youth volleyball	team sports	volleyball	1	
237	Club volleyball	team sports	volleyball	1	
176	Young adult sport leagues	team sports		1	
393	Youth sports	team sports		1	
521	school team sports	team sports		1	
206	Sports facilities for all ages and organize town leagues around them	team sports		1	
134	Town run sports leagues with better field maintenance	team sports		1	
				40	
	Team Sports				
	Option 2				
Response #	Response			Response Qty	
448	Additional fields for sports for adults, more than what is available for students	team sports	adult	1	
229	Adult recreation programs	team sports	adult	1	
371	Adult sports leagues	team sports	adult	1	
164	More sports teams/clubs for adults	team sports	adult	1	
316	basketball	team sports	basketball	1	
445	Basketball	team sports	basketball	1	
69	Basketball Courts	team sports	basketball	1	
131	Basketball courts	team sports	basketball	1	
398	New basketball court	team sports	basketball	1	
196	Better soccer teams	team sports	soccer	1	
13	Soccer	team sports	soccer	1	
340	Soccer	team sports	soccer	1	

Response #		Category	Category	Response Qty	
111	Soccer	team sports	soccer	1	
234	soccer	team sports	soccer	1	
386	field hockey	team sports	field hockey	1	
4	Football	team sports	football	1	
70	Football	team sports	football	1	
153	Football	team sports	football	1	
261	Football	team sports	football	1	
257	Football field for youth and High School	team sports	football	1	
157	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
373	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
436	More softball programs for kids	team sports	softball	1	
333	Softball	team sports	softball	1	
160	Field hockey	team sports		1	
332	Gymnastics Team	team sports		1	
6	more high school sports at Whalley Park	team sports		1	
313	More playing fields	team sports		1	
188	Town clubs i.e. pickleball	team sports		1	
				29	
Team Sports					
Option 3					
Response #	Response			Response Qty	
76	adult rec leagues	team sports	adult	1	
245	adult recreational teams (pickleball, basketball)	team sports	adult	1	
193	adult volleyball	team sports	adult	1	
	Expanded parks and recs to include more adult league/ sports				
226		team sports	adult	1	
277	More adult leagues horseshoe, volleyball etc.	team sports	adult	1	
177	baseball	team sports	baseball	1	
222	Baseball	team sports	baseball	1	
37	Improved Baseball Program	team sports	baseball	1	
116	Resurrect Baseball league	team sports	baseball	1	
114	Football	team sports	football	1	
195	Football	team sports	football	1	
17	Football	team sports	football	1	
25	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
157	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
280	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
325	Lacrosse	team sports	lacrosse	1	
113	Lacrosse girls and boys	team sports	lacrosse	1	
332	Volleyball	team sports	volleyball	1	
118	More in town sports	team sports		1	
52	Sports	team sports		1	

Response #		Category	Category	Response Qty	
32	Swim team	team sports		1	
144	Team sports	team sports		1	
				22	

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Swimming	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
351	A community pool	swimming	1
541	A large indoor pool also to be used by the schools	swimming	1
47	A public pool	swimming	1
384	Beaches swimming areas	swimming	1
269	Indoor pool	swimming	1
75	Indoor swimming facilities	swimming	1
554	Indoor winter swimming pool	swimming	1
54	Indoor/outdoor community pool complex large enough to host swim meets	swimming	1
144	Lap swimming pool	swimming	1
294	More public beaches on the lakes	swimming	1
121	More swimming options	swimming	1
309	Open beach for public swimming	swimming	1
454	Pool	swimming	1
340	public fitness center with pool	swimming	1
268	Public pool	swimming	1
357	public pool	swimming	1
40	Public pool	swimming	1
330	Public pool/splash pad.	swimming	1
213	Public pools	swimming	1
542	Public swimming pool for town residents	swimming	1
300	Public swimming spot	swimming	1
190	Swim	swimming	1
255	swimming	swimming	1
264	Swimming	swimming	1
336	Swimming	swimming	1
359	swimming	swimming	1
504	swimming	swimming	1
159	Swimming	swimming	1
338	Swimming in N Pond with no boats	swimming	1
295	Swimming lessons	swimming	1
533	Swimming lessons for all ages	swimming	1
114	town beach on North Pond	swimming	1

Response #	Swimming	Category	Response Qty
365	Town pool	swimming	1
3	Town swim facility that could be seasonal, converted to ice rink in winter	swimming	1
135	Year around swimming.	swimming	1
			35
	Swimming		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
372	Community outdoor pool with membership fee	swimming	1
193	Community pool	swimming	1
427	Community swimming	swimming	1
391	Free swimming lessons	swimming	1
407	Indoor Swimming	swimming	1
472	More public swimming, public swimming pool	swimming	1
22	Pool	swimming	1
185	Pool	swimming	1
322	Pool	swimming	1
262	pool for the public	swimming	1
47	Public 25-yard indoor pool	swimming	1
470	Public access swimming pool facility	swimming	1
473	Public pool	swimming	1
79	Public pool or spray park	swimming	1
251	Public swimming pool	swimming	1
425	Public swimming pool	swimming	1
440	Public swimming pool	swimming	1
266	swim	swimming	1
64	Swimming	swimming	1
180	Swimming	swimming	1
285	swimming	swimming	1
192	Swimming	swimming	1
98	Swimming activities on lake	swimming	1
439	swimming pools	swimming	1
53	Town pool	swimming	1
110	Town pool	swimming	1
145	town pool	swimming	1
207	town pool	swimming	1
77	Town pool	swimming	1
			29
	Swimming		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty

Response #	Swimming	Category	Response Qty
253	A Swim Team	swimming	1
185	community swim park/pool	swimming	1
314	Indoor swimming pool	swimming	1
49	Public pool	swimming	1
62	Public pool	swimming	1
152	public pool	swimming	1
230	public swimming pool	swimming	1
106	Swim lessons	swimming	1
46	Swimming	swimming	1
111	Swimming	swimming	1
167	swimming	swimming	1
173	swimming	swimming	1
242	swimming	swimming	1
303	swimming	swimming	1
316	Swimming	swimming	1
14	Swimming	swimming	1
36	Swimming	swimming	1
48	Swimming pool	swimming	1
223	swimming pool	swimming	1
266	Swimming pool	swimming	1
288	Swimming/diving	swimming	1
72	Town pool. Residents only	swimming	1
296	town sponsored swimming lessons	swimming	1
			23

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Parks & Recreation	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
421	an outdoor exercise trail//park	parks & recreation	1
128	Improved Whalley Park (more akin to Stanley Park than the barren field it is now)	parks & recreation	1
498	Increase parks and rec dept (programming for kids and adults - maybe adding a gym facility/pool for the town/ splash pad at Whalley Park for the summer)	parks & recreation	1
564	More accessible parks in natural settings	parks & recreation	1
287	More open recreational space options	parks & recreation	1
79	more parks	parks & recreation	1
354	More public parks / walking trails	parks & recreation	1
263	Park	parks & recreation	1
133	Parks	parks & recreation	1
388	Parks	parks & recreation	1
485	Parks	parks & recreation	1
61	Picnic area in parks	parks & recreation	1
296	Public parks	parks & recreation	1
446	Public sports areas, pools, sport courts	parks & recreation	1
432	Recreational parks (ex Stanley Park)	parks & recreation	1
288	sports field update with seating	parks & recreation	1
306	support N.Pond Park	parks & recreation	1
180	Town Park and Rec youth development programs(Not associated with REC Center)	parks & recreation	1
108	A public park for walking, and for families to gather	parks & recreation	1
421	an outdoor exercise trail//park	parks & recreation	1
128	Improved Whalley Park (more akin to Stanley Park than the barren field it is now)	parks & recreation	1
498	Increase parks and rec dept (programming for kids and adults - maybe adding a gym facility/pool for the town/ splash pad at whalley park for the summer)	parks & recreation	1
564	More accessible parks in natural settings	parks & recreation	1
355	Open space	parks & recreation	1
287	More open recreational space options	parks & recreation	1
			25

Response #	Parks & Recreation	Category	Response Qty
	Parks & Recreation		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
296	A good beach	parks & recreation	1
230	A larger, cleaner, updated town beach	parks & recreation	1
267	A second public beach on the lake	parks & recreation	1
406	activities that can bring more exposure to all the parks	parks & recreation	1
387	another light on the Southwick track	parks & recreation	1
183	baseball fields	parks & recreation	1
62	Bathroom at HS fields	parks & recreation	1
345	better beach on Congamond	parks & recreation	1
368	better town beach	parks & recreation	1
46	Community park including a skate park and dog park	parks & recreation	1
11	Expand Whalley Park	parks & recreation	1
223	Improve town beach	parks & recreation	1
73	Improved children's playgrounds	parks & recreation	1
444	Improved town beach	parks & recreation	1
143	large playground	parks & recreation	1
33	More beach access	parks & recreation	1
379	More money for athletic fields	parks & recreation	1
171	More multi use recreational trails and land	parks & recreation	1
256	More parks, less alcohol	parks & recreation	1
83	More public park playground options/equipment	parks & recreation	1
246	Multipurpose turf fields	parks & recreation	1
355	online mapping of public lands including special interest within the area	parks & recreation	1
214	Outdoor games such as pickleball, bocce, horseshoes, etc.	parks & recreation	1
463	Park that has activities for adults, teens and children that does not cost to use the park every time you want to go	parks & recreation	1
283	park with animal preservation	parks & recreation	1
106	Parks	parks & recreation	1
136	Parks	parks & recreation	1
60	Playground	parks & recreation	1
58	Public parks	parks & recreation	1
305	Radio Control park flying/driving/boating	parks & recreation	1
194	Town beach expansion	parks & recreation	1
488	More open space	parks & recreation	1
172	Town beach open more	parks & recreation	1
			33
	Parks & Recreation		

Response #	Parks & Recreation	Category	Response Qty
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
224	a place for picnics	parks & recreation	1
232	Better use of Wally Park	parks & recreation	1
50	Bleachers at HS fields	parks & recreation	1
192	Exercise park with workout stations	parks & recreation	1
6	Expend the town recreation department	parks & recreation	1
202	Improve recreation facilities open to the public	parks & recreation	1
342	John Whalley stepped up and took care of athletics. Thanks Southwick...	parks & recreation	1
176	Large amphitheater for Park and Rec	parks & recreation	1
63	larger playground / cookout area / lake area	parks & recreation	1
70	More natural spaces for outdoor rec	parks & recreation	1
73	More parks	parks & recreation	1
55	Open air adult gym/playground	parks & recreation	1
320	park	parks & recreation	1
333	Parks	parks & recreation	1
344	parks	parks & recreation	1
310	Picnic areas	parks & recreation	1
110	Playgrounds	parks & recreation	1
262	Playgrounds	parks & recreation	1
115	Public beaches/Docks updated, kayak/canoe paddle boat rentals at the lake	parks & recreation	1
188	Public Parks	parks & recreation	1
238	Public town beaches (include North Pond??)	parks & recreation	1
5	reopen Kings Beach	parks & recreation	1
327	Restoration of ball fields/tennis courts	parks & recreation	1
184	Sports fields	parks & recreation	1
21	Town beaches on lake open to Southwick residents for free.	parks & recreation	1
170	Trampoline park	parks & recreation	1
289	What the heck is Whalley Park for? Why did the town buy it?	parks & recreation	1
66	green space	parks & recreation	1
			28

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Congamond Option 1	Category	Category	Response Qty
344	Free kayak and canoe access to lake	Congamond	access	1
560	Improve lake access and facilities meeting today and future requirements	Congamond	access	1
238	Increased lake access (beaches)	Congamond	access	1
399	Lake use access	Congamond	access	1
91	Kayak club	Congamond	kayak	1
514	Kayak water sport rentals	Congamond	kayak	1
370	Kayaking	Congamond	kayak	1
193	non-motorized boat rentals	Congamond	kayak	1
231	non-motorized boat rentals	Congamond	kayak	1
314	Boat rental Congamond	Congamond	rental	1
148	Boat Rental options	Congamond	rental	1
573	a continued use of Congamond Lakes for all types of recreation	Congamond		1
470	better/safer lake activities	Congamond		1
477	boat racing	Congamond		1
318	Boat rides on the lake	Congamond		1
87	Boating	Congamond		1
222	boating	Congamond		1
337	Boating	Congamond		1
484	Boating	Congamond		1
499	Boating	Congamond		1
327	Boating	Congamond		1
397	Clean Lake	Congamond		1
391	Congamond Lake activity	Congamond		1
571	de-emphasize motorized sports land and water based	Congamond		1
406	eliminate high performance motorboats from lakes	Congamond		1
435	Kayaking	Congamond		1
468	Lake activities - dog park, trails etc.	Congamond		1
283	Lake area for small non-motorized watercraft	Congamond		1
412	Lake Congamond	Congamond		1
187	Lake conservation	Congamond		1
413	lake life	Congamond		1

Response #	Congamond	Category	Category	Response Qty
270	Maintain the lakes	Congamond		1
48	Make lake less of a sewer	Congamond		1
478	More activities on the lakes that are not fishing tournaments	Congamond		1
371	Safe boating recreation	Congamond		1
55	Some kind of water ski or tubing competition on the lake	Congamond		1
162	water sports	Congamond		1
218	waterfront utilization	Congamond		1
				38
Option 2				
Response #	Response			Response Qty
385	Better use of the lakes for everyone that includes swimming. That would mean doing what is necessary to keep them healthy, waste removal systems, and other contaminants. etc.	Congamond		1
154	Boat rental on Congamond	Congamond		1
422	Boat Rentals	Congamond		1
330	Boat safety courses	Congamond		1
122	Boating	Congamond		1
128	Boating	Congamond		1
141	Boating	Congamond		1
339	Boating	Congamond		1
403	boating	Congamond		1
245	Boating	Congamond		1
247	Boating license classes	Congamond		1
331	Improve boat areas and access	Congamond		1
462	IMPROVED ACCESS TO THE LAKES	Congamond		1
336	Improved lake management to encourage activity, safety	Congamond		1
208	Increased non-motorized boating access points	Congamond		1
150	Lake activities	Congamond		1
454	Lake kept clean and useable	Congamond		1
59	Lakeside activities	Congamond		1
346	less motor boating on Congamond Lakes	Congamond		1
394	Make the lakes safer for non-motorized boating	Congamond		1
75	Motorless boats	Congamond		1
17	Reduced motorboats on lakes to accommodate kayaking	Congamond		1
216	Safer opportunities for canoe/kayak	Congamond		1
8	Stand up paddle boarding	Congamond		1
469	Water activities on North Pond	Congamond		1
222	Water skiing	Congamond		1
				26

Response #	Congamond	Category	Category	Response Qty
	Option 3			
Response #	Response			Response Qty
35	Access to the lakes	Congamond		1
13	Additional lake access for non-boaters/ clean lake	Congamond		1
190	Better access to lake	Congamond		1
28	Better management of the lake	Congamond		1
86	Better public access to lakes	Congamond		1
131	Boating	Congamond		1
172	boating	Congamond		1
270	boating	Congamond		1
	Easy access to boat landing for kayaks (no portage charge)			
331		Congamond		1
78	Improve Ponds	Congamond		1
261	improving water quality of Congamond Lakes	Congamond		1
143	Kayak area/no fee non-motorized boat launch/area	Congamond		1
75	kayak rental	Congamond		1
	Lake - Paddleboard, kayak - restriction times on boats with motors			
136		Congamond		1
252	Lake cleanup efforts	Congamond		1
208	More lake access	Congamond		1
	More opportunities to use the lakes for those not living on the lake (better access to boats)			
160		Congamond		1
312	more organized lake events	Congamond		1
67	more public access to the lakes	Congamond		1
16	Non-motorized boating on lakes	Congamond		1
124	paddle only lake section	Congamond		1
				21

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Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Pickleball Option 1	Category	Response Qty
510	Pickleball courts	pickleball	1
418	Pickleball	pickleball	1
120	pickleball	pickleball	1
156	pickleball	pickleball	1
292	pickleball	pickleball	1
350	pickleball	pickleball	1
426	pickleball	pickleball	1
463	pickleball	pickleball	1
482	pickleball	pickleball	1
536	pickleball	pickleball	1
17	pickleball	pickleball	1
389	pickleball court	pickleball	1
34	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
85	pickleball Courts	pickleball	1
293	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
347	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
7	pickleball	pickleball	1
99	pickleball	pickleball	1
211	pickleball	pickleball	1
230	pickleball	pickleball	1
323	pickleball	pickleball	1
433	pickleball	pickleball	1
480	pickleball	pickleball	1
522	pickleball	pickleball	1
550	pickleball	pickleball	1
409	pickleball	pickleball	1
348	pickleball court	pickleball	1
71	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
111	pickleball Courts	pickleball	1
209	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
360	pickleball Courts	pickleball	1
457	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
493	pickleball courts	pickleball	1

Response #	Pickleball	Category	Response Qty
537	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
566	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
568	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
569	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
491	tennis/pickleball courts	pickleball	1
			38
	Pickleball		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
204	pickleball	pickleball	1
211	pickleball	pickleball	1
254	pickleball	pickleball	1
68	pickleball court	pickleball	1
139	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
235	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
446	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
104	pickleball park	pickleball	1
5	pickleball	pickleball	1
99	pickleball	pickleball	1
320	pickleball	pickleball	1
364	pickleball	pickleball	1
291	pickleball court	pickleball	1
2	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
169	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
361	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
393	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
413	Public pickleball courts	pickleball	1
			18
	Pickleball		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
123	pickleball	pickleball	1
137	pickleball	pickleball	1
64	pickleball	pickleball	1
1	pickleball court	pickleball	1
98	pickleball court	pickleball	1
233	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
239	pickleball courts	pickleball	1

Response #	Pickleball	Category	Response Qty
12	pickleball or tennis court creation of maintenance	pickleball	1
186	pickleball	pickleball	1
220	pickleball	pickleball	1
301	pickleball	pickleball	1
97	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
240	pickleball courts	pickleball	1
101	pickleball	pickleball	1
			14

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

	Entertainment				
	Summary of Top entertainment Responses				
	Title	Option 1 Qty	Option 2 Qty	Option 3 Qty	Total Qty
	Music	5	3	5	13
	Golf	6	1	0	7
	Bowling	4	2	1	7
	Go-kart	1	3	2	6
	Theater	0	3	0	3
	Kayak	0	2	0	2
	Sonny's place	0	0	2	2
	Actual Responses Below				
Response #	Entertainment	Category		Response Qty	
	Option 1				
151	Bowling	entertainment		1	
217	bowling	entertainment		1	
322	Bowling alley	entertainment		1	
405	Bowling Alleys	entertainment		1	
530	A town boat that offers rides, cruises	entertainment		1	
88	Mini golf	entertainment		1	
168	Driving range, miniature golf	entertainment		1	
23	Golf driving range	entertainment		1	
383	Mini golf	entertainment		1	
282	Mini golf	entertainment		1	
419	miniature golf	entertainment		1	
424	music	entertainment		1	
373	outdoor music	entertainment		1	
321	Outdoor music venue	entertainment		1	
146	Outdoors concerts	entertainment		1	
555	Town concerts in the park are nice	entertainment		1	
572	Sonny's Place would be fun!	entertainment		1	

322	Bowling alley	entertainment		1	
Entertainment					
Option 3					
Response #	Response			Response Qty	
313	Go karts	entertainment	go-karts	1	
10	Concerts	entertainment	music	1	
219	Free Live music by the lake	entertainment	music	1	
119	Movie theater	entertainment	music	1	
125	Music venues	entertainment	music	1	
3	Music	entertainment	music	1	
294	family activities - ex: Sonny's Place	entertainment	Sonny's	1	
179	Something like Sonny's place in CT	entertainment	Sonny's	1	
168	4 h	entertainment		1	
265	boat rides on lake for seniors	entertainment		1	
51	Dancing	entertainment		1	
81	Drive in movie theater	entertainment		1	
164	fun	entertainment		1	
84	Live music	entertainment		1	
284	Paintball	entertainment		1	
169	Permanent outdoor stage.	entertainment		1	
275	Possibly a place like High Meadows	entertainment		1	
340	Public bicycle rental	entertainment		1	
317	Snow mobile rentals	entertainment		1	
4	Whitewater rafting	entertainment		1	
308	Bowling alley	entertainment		1	
				21	

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Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	ATV	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
27	Area for off road vehicles	ATV	1
301	Areas to quad	ATV	1
442	ATV	ATV	1
205	ATV specific trails	ATV	1
200	ATV park/trails	ATV	1
53	ATV trails	ATV	1
63	ATV trails	ATV	1
145	ATV trails	ATV	1
284	ATV Trails	ATV	1
353	ATV/ snowmobile trails	ATV	1
62	ATV/snowmobile trails	ATV	1
97	Dirt bike and snowmobile trails	ATV	1
290	Dirt bike riding outside 338	ATV	1
241	Dirt Bike Trails	ATV	1
377	dirt biking	ATV	1
11	Dirt bike/ ATV riding	ATV	1
329	Letting kids do motor sports in town	ATV	1
201	More allowance for dirt bike/ATV riders	ATV	1
207	More off road vehicle opportunities	ATV	1
199	More places to ride! Snowmobiles, quads, dirt bikes etc.!	ATV	1
400	More trails for ATV vehicles	ATV	1
324	Motor vehicle trails	ATV	1
369	Motorcycle/ATV	ATV	1
102	off road recreation	ATV	1
364	Off road trail access	ATV	1
386	Off road trails ATV	ATV	1
60	Off road vehicle areas	ATV	1
103	OHRV. Public dirt bike trails.	ATV	1
363	Pickleball	ATV	1
68	Public ATV trails	ATV	1
315	Public trails for dirt biking/ATV etc.	ATV	1
392	Public trails for snowmobiling ATV etc.	ATV	1
195	Quad	ATV	1
544	Quad	ATV	1

Response #	ATV	Category	Response Qty
410	Quadding space	ATV	1
204	Recreational Vehicles	ATV	1
367	trails (for motorized & non-motorized)	ATV	1
			37
	ATV		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
18	4 wheeling trails	ATV	1
	Access along the rail trail for off ATVs and snowmobiles		
328		ATV	1
71	ATV	ATV	1
116	ATV trails	ATV	1
362	Dirt bike riding	ATV	1
451	dirt bike trails	ATV	1
36	Dirt bike trails / snowmobile trails	ATV	1
159	Dirt bikes	ATV	1
416	Dirt bike/quad trails or track that is not mx338	ATV	1
	Interconnected off road trails for hiking, biking, quads and snowmobiles		
318		ATV	1
187	Off road trails for motorized vehicles	ATV	1
	Open "Public space to off road vehicles that used to ride there		
278		ATV	1
12	Recreational dirt bike trails	ATV	1
9	Trails for dirt bikes	ATV	1
			14
	ATV		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
87	ATV trails	ATV	1
189	ATV/snowmobile tracks	ATV	1
66	dirt bike, ATV access	ATV	1
281	Jeep/ offroad trails	ATV	1
42	Legal options for trails for ATV type vehicles	ATV	1
20	OFF ROAD VEHICLE TRAILS	ATV	1
255	Quad trail	ATV	1
243	quad trails	ATV	1
126	Trails for dirt bikes snowmobiles ATVs	ATV	1
			9

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Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Tennis Option 1	Category	Response Qty
376	tennis	tennis	1
565	Public tennis courts	tennis	1
100	Public tennis courts	tennis	1
319	Recreational tennis	tennis	1
6	tennis	tennis	1
15	tennis	tennis	1
171	tennis	tennis	1
225	tennis	tennis	1
229	tennis	tennis	1
304	tennis	tennis	1
381	tennis	tennis	1
417	tennis	tennis	1
430	tennis	tennis	1
515	tennis	tennis	1
98	tennis	tennis	1
105	tennis	tennis	1
254	tennis	tennis	1
22	tennis / pickleball courts	tennis	1
416	tennis and pickleball courts	tennis	1
2	tennis courts	tennis	1
83	tennis Courts	tennis	1
90	tennis Courts	tennis	1
224	tennis Courts	tennis	1
272	tennis courts	tennis	1
279	tennis courts	tennis	1
299	tennis courts	tennis	1
332	tennis courts	tennis	1
428	tennis courts	tennis	1
497	tennis courts	tennis	1
528	tennis courts	tennis	1
561	tennis courts	tennis	1
545	tennis/pickleball	tennis	1
483	tennis/pickleball courts	tennis	1
			33

Response #	Tennis	Category	Response Qty
	Tennis		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
50	Public tennis	tennis	1
461	Public tennis or Pickleball Courts	tennis	1
82	tennis	tennis	1
347	tennis	tennis	1
384	tennis	tennis	1
15	tennis	tennis	1
369	tennis	tennis	1
72	tennis Court	tennis	1
41	tennis courts	tennis	1
93	tennis Courts	tennis	1
118	tennis courts	tennis	1
124	tennis courts	tennis	1
225	tennis courts	tennis	1
255	tennis courts	tennis	1
351	tennis courts	tennis	1
411	tennis courts	tennis	1
417	tennis courts	tennis	1
474	tennis courts	tennis	1
464	tennis courts & backboard	tennis	1
			19
	Tennis		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
83	tennis	tennis	1
57	tennis Courts	tennis	1
105	tennis courts	tennis	1
244	tennis courts	tennis	1
163	tennis courts	tennis	1
218	tennis or pickleball courts	tennis	1
71	tennis/ Pickleball	tennis	1
			7

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below			
Response #	Festivals	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
274	A summer and/or fall festival - family friendly event(s)	festivals	1
28	all ages field day	festivals	1
116	BBQ competitions	festivals	1
149	Block parties	festivals	1
382	Cultural events	festivals	1
281	Dances/concerts	festivals	1
239	farmer's market	festivals	1
489	farmer's market downtown to promote local farm and town small businesses.	festivals	1
291	More fairs	festivals	1
31	More of a focal town center...where community events could be held	festivals	1
508	Outdoor Markets	festivals	1
547	Town Fair	festivals	1
326	Town food festival "taste of Southwick"	festivals	1
512	Winter Festival with ice sculptures and such	festivals	1
170	4th July celebration	festivals	1
			15
Festivals			
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
113	Art fair	festivals	1
467	Carnival - used to have it for years. Then no money but taxes went up.	festivals	1
238	Fall activity like Meadow View	festivals	1
433	Fall fair festival with music, food, artisans	festivals	1
250	Farmer's market	festivals	1
253	Farmer's Market/Shopping Area	festivals	1
335	Farmers Market	festivals	1
186	Gaga Ball	festivals	1
117	Holiday activities	festivals	1
376	Holiday lighting contest	festivals	1

Response #	Festivals	Category	Response Qty
277	Ice cream socials	festivals	1
290	Motorcycle bike nights and gatherings	festivals	1
319	road bike competitions	festivals	1
23	town appreciation day	festivals	1
414	town benefit walks on Rail Trail thru downtown	festivals	1
321	Town bike race	festivals	1
198	town flea market or tag sale	festivals	1
112	Town picnics or functions involving all town folks	festivals	1
426	town tag sale weekend	festivals	1
274	Ways to bring the community together with temporary things like fairs/fireworks	festivals	1
119	winter carnival	festivals	1
			21
	Festivals		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
31	Agritourism	festivals	1
9	Continuation of farms and seasonal activities	festivals	1
282	Farmers market	festivals	1
198	Farmers market?	festivals	1
215	Gaga Ball	festivals	1
339	More community activities i.e. town picnic, farmers' market, craft fair	festivals	1
341	More involvement with the center of town putting up decorations on our fancy lights again very lax even before Covid.	festivals	1
203	More lake derbies on ice	festivals	1
291	parades	festivals	1
334	Public (not barroom) dances	festivals	1
88	Special events?? I can't think of anything at the moment!!	festivals	1
147	Taste of Southwick	festivals	1
229	town celebrations	festivals	1
100	Town fair	festivals	1
197	Town Parades	festivals	1
210	Town wide tag sale	festivals	1
323	We could do a winter lights festival in the North Pond conservation area	festivals	1
201	Winter activities? Unsure if any public snow/ice events happen here.	festivals	1
			18

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Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Ice Skating

Summary of ice skating

Title	Option 1 Qty	Option 2	Option 3 Qty	Total Qty
Ice-Skating	8	9	6	23
Arena	4	4	5	13
Hockey	0	5	2	7

Actual Responses Below

Ice Skating

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
289	Ice Arena	ice skating	1
124	ice rink	ice skating	1
265	outdoor ice rink	ice skating	1
93	Skating rink	ice skating	1
266	Ice rink in winter	ice skating	1
232	ice skating	ice skating	1
453	ice skating	ice skating	1
503	ice skating	ice skating	1
520	ice skating	ice skating	1
164	ice skating rink	ice skating	1
408	ice skating rink	ice skating	1
8	Quality ice skating	ice skating	1
349	Deck/hockey(similar to Amelia outdoor rink)	ice skating	1
			13

Ice Skating

Option 2

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
374	hockey	ice skating	1
134	hockey rink	ice skating	1
178	ice skating rink	ice skating	1
130	Public ice skating rink between the town hall and the police station or at Whalley Park	ice skating	1

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty		
155	Better hockey.	ice skating	1	hockey	
7	hockey	ice skating	1	hockey	
30	hockey	ice skating	1	hockey	
269	hockey rink outdoor public rink	ice skating	1	hockey	
		ice skating	1	hockey	
260	Ice hockey	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
212	ice skating	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
220	ice skating	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
383	ice skating	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
465	Organized public ice skating on lakes	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
105	pond skating	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
289	Safe area to ice skate. Years ago the basketball court behind the town hall was flooded, providing a wonderful opportunity for day/evening skating.	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
132	skating	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
402	skating	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
408	ice skating rink	ice skating	1		
			19		
	Ice Skating				
	Option 3				
Response #	Response		Response Qty		
7	ice rink	ice skating	1	arena	
19	ice skating rink	ice skating	1	arena	
328	ice./skating rink	ice skating	1	arena	
56	Outdoor ice skating rink	ice skating	1	arena	
234	Town hockey rink	ice skating	1	arena	
196	hockey	ice skating	1	hockey	
279	hockey	ice skating	1	hockey	
237	Ice fishing/skating	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
8	ice skating	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
45	ice skating	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
335	ice skating on Congamond or an outdoor rink	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
273	ice skating/hockey	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
29	Roller skating/ice skating/water slides	ice skating	1	ice-skating	
			13		

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Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Miscellaneous.	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
12	More public spaces	misc.	1
38	Bike Trail additional parking areas	misc.	1
570	Honestly don't know	misc.	1
243	A Trader Joe's	misc.	1
197	Shopping center	misc.	1
339	Volunteer body; basic low-level maintenance and care of town infrastructure and parks	misc.	1
			6
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
171	A real senior center	misc.	1
126	Animal care	misc.	1
516	Cannabis	misc.	1
240	cannabis farms/store	misc.	1
378	college baseball team	misc.	1
263	Community meetings	misc.	1
248	controlled parking & access to lakes & hiking trails around North Pond	misc.	1
358	cultural council	misc.	1
279	Cultural hub of restaurants and local stores.	misc.	1
194	Dispensaries	misc.	1
341	Farm	misc.	1
89	fitness center	misc.	1
194	Fitness Center	misc.	1
451	Hospitality specifically a place for guests to stay. Lodging, Hotel, motel, Inn etc.	misc.	1
121	Recreational Cannabis	misc.	1
90	More accessible sidewalks through town	misc.	1
27	Protection of mountains	misc.	1
61	Sidewalk all along 202	misc.	1
241	Trade training	misc.	1
40	Let the kids have the rope swings on North Pond	misc.	1

Response #	Miscellaneous.	Category	Response Qty
543	More cows & chickens	misc.	1
180	Much more land preservation for mixed use	misc.	1
212	service activities	misc.	1
			23
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
258	Animals	misc.	1
306	Anything that will advertise and give positive exposure	misc.	1
33	Businesses with any of these goals	misc.	1
181	Computer technology	misc.	1
145	DIVERSITY	misc.	1
218	games	misc.	1
292	Gas station	misc.	1
191	Granville Gorge walkway	misc.	1
146	Increased sidewalks	misc.	1
52	Keep North Pond conservation area the town bought free and open to the public. However something would need to be done about the dumping happening. Some money should be dedicated to keeping that space safe and open for people to use.	misc.	1
54	little libraries	misc.	1
39	Maker space	misc.	1
29	Rail trail parking	misc.	1
392	Volunteer trail creation/forest restoration/woods clean-ups	misc.	1
			14

Response #	Dog Park	Category	Response Qty
133	dog park	dog Park	1
148	dog Park	dog Park	1
209	dog park	dog Park	1
226	dog park	dog Park	1
259	dog Park	dog Park	1
299	dog park	dog Park	1
370	dog park	dog Park	1
418	dog Park	dog Park	1
233	dog Park - keep dogs from school grounds.	dog Park	1
			12
	Dog Park		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
256	Bark Park	dog Park	1
204	dog Park	dog Park	1
213	dog park	dog Park	1
295	dog park	dog Park	1
276	dog park	dog Park	1
80	dog Parks.	dog Park	1
			6

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Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Hunting fishing

Actual Responses Below

		Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Total
	Title	Qty	Qty	Qty	Qty
	Fishing	7	11	7	25
	Hunting	1	5	2	8
	Hunt/Fish	2	1	3	6

Actual Responses Below

Hunting Fishing

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
198	fishing	fishing	1
374	Fishing	fishing	1
395	Fishing	fishing	1
473	fishing	fishing	1
557	Fishing	fishing	1
366	Fishing	fishing	1
368	Fishing	fishing	1
173	Hunting	hunting	1
19	Hunting and fishing	hunt/fish	1
227	Hunting / fishing	hunt/fish	1
			10

**Hunting/Fishing
Option 2**

Response #	Response		Response Qty
191	Fishing	fish	1
200	Fishing	fish	1
231	Fishing	fish	1
284	Fishing	fish	1
421	Fishing	fish	1
459	Fishing	fish	1
237	Fishing derby	fish	1
458	Fishing in shade/under trees - get rid of weeds	fish	1

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty		
88	fishing/boating	fish	1		
404	Fishing/hunting/boating free to Southwick residents	fish	1		
350	More areas on Congamond open to fishing off-shore	fish	1		
16	Hunting/ fishing	hunt/fish	1		
163	hunting	hunting	1		
210	Hunting	hunting	1		
307	Hunting	hunting	1		
468	Hunting	hunting	1		
382	Responsible Hunting Grounds	hunting	1		
			17		
	Hunting/Fishing				
	Option 3				
Response #	Response		Response Qty		
156	Fishing	fishing	1		
286	Fishing	fishing	1		
290	fishing	fishing	1		
309	Fishing	fishing	1		
26	stream fishing (with public access)	fishing	1		
311	town benefit fishing tournaments	fishing	1		
326	Use of lakes for fishing tournaments	fishing	1		
43	Hunting/fishing	hunt/fish	1		
44	Hunting/fishing	hunt/fish	1		
236	Hunting	hunting	1		
58	Hunting	hunting	1		
321	Increased Hunting areas	hunting	1		
			12		

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below			
Response #	Splash Pad	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
559	Children's water park	splash pad	1
342	Public pool or spray park for children	splash pad	1
129	Public spray park/swimming options	splash pad	1
1	splash pad	splash pad	1
202	splash pad	splash pad	1
119	splash pad for kids	splash pad	1
305	Spray park	splash pad	1
57	Spray park for children	splash pad	1
486	Spray park for children	splash pad	1
313	Spray park for kids	splash pad	1
155	Spray park for the children in town	splash pad	1
553	Spray park/public pool	splash pad	1
277	Water park playground for children	splash pad	1
			13
	Splash Pad		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
353	Childrens' spray park	splash pad	1
179	park and play water park for kids	splash pad	1
295	splash pad	splash pad	1
182	splash pad for kids	splash pad	1
107	splash pad for kids in the summer	splash pad	1
366	Splash park	splash pad	1
149	Splash park	splash pad	1
161	Spray park	splash pad	1
367	Spray park	splash pad	1
281	Spray park	splash pad	1
54	Water park at Congamond	splash pad	1
244	Water sports/club	splash pad	1
270	Waterpark/splash pad	splash pad	1
			13
	Splash Pad		

Response #	Splash Pad	Category	Response Qty
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
122	Skate park/splash park/playground for older children	splash pad	1
74	splash pad	splash pad	1
18	splash pad for all ages	splash pad	1
227	splash pad playground	splash pad	1
178	splash pad/pool	splash pad	1
38	Splash park	splash pad	1
30	Splash park for the kiddos	splash pad	1
148	spray parks	splash pad	1
107	water park	splash pad	1
154	water park	splash pad	1
134	water park for kids	splash pad	1
			11

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Other Sports	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
492	Airsoft	other sports	1
74	Archery Range	other sports	1
285	Art	other sports	1
126	Arts education	other sports	1
385	Bocce Courts	other sports	1
425	cliff diving	other sports	1
246	disc golf	disc golf	1
138	disc golf team for high school	disc golf	1
257	More disc golf courses	disc golf	1
519	paddle ball courts	other sports	1
13	Roller skating	other sports	1
132	increase in town sports	other sports	1
			12
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
452	Bocce ball	other sports	1
354	horseshoes	other sports	1
327	Sports	other sports	1
342	Track	other sports	1
294	Wiffleball tournament	other sports	1
44	Yoga	other sports	1
272	disc golf	disc golf	1
311	disc golf	disc golf	1
431	disc golf	disc golf	1
441	disc golf	disc golf	1
			10
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
77	Affordable physical fitness, yoga, group exercise opportunities for all ages	other sports	1
269	anti-gravity free flight	other sports	1

Response #	Other Sports	Category	Response Qty
343	Bocce, pickleball. Improved indoor sports facilities.	other sports	1
59	Bowling/roller skating	other sports	1
305	disk golf	disc golf	
319	drag racing	other sports	1
22	Mud slinging	other sports	1
216	Outdoor airsoft fields/events	other sports	1
15	Outdoor obstacle course	other sports	1
205	Roller skating	other sports	1
278	Public disc golf course	other sports	1
47	Recreational activities for families	other sports	1
283	sailing club	other sports	1
307	Yoga	other sports	1
92	Zip line	other sports	1
			14

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Snowmobiling	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
220	Snowmobile trails	snowmobiling	1
343	Snowmobile trails	snowmobiling	1
21	Snowmobile trails	snowmobiling	1
95	Snowmobile/ATV trails	snowmobiling	1
423	Snowmobiling	snowmobiling	1
81	Snowmobiling	snowmobiling	1
429	Snowmobiling	snowmobiling	1
82	Snowmobiling allowed	snowmobiling	1
352	Snowmobiling like the old days	snowmobiling	1
			9
Snowmobiling			
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
100	snowmobile trails	snowmobiling	1
326	Snowmobile	snowmobiling	1
375	Snowmobile	snowmobiling	1
165	Snowmobile trails	snowmobiling	1
273	Snowmobile trails	snowmobiling	1
317	snowmobile trails	snowmobiling	1
363	Snowmobile trails but not on private land	snowmobiling	1
357	Snowmobiling	snowmobiling	1
25	SNOWMOBILING	snowmobiling	1
74	Snowmobiling	snowmobiling	1
302	trails for snowmobiles	snowmobiling	1
			11
Snowmobiling			
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
272	Snowmobile trails parallel to rail trail	snowmobiling	1
268	Snowmobiling	snowmobiling	1
2	Snowmobiling trails/parks	snowmobiling	1

Response #	Snowmobiling	Category	Response Qty
304	Winter sled trails if weather prevails	snowmobiling	1
			4

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Skate Park	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
43	Skate park	skate park	1
77	skate park	skate park	1
500	Skate Park	skate park	1
535	skate park	skate park	1
13	skate park	skate park	1
41	Skate park / bike park	skate park	1
462	skateboard park	skate park	1
46	skate park	skate park	1
			8
Skate Park			
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
51	Skate park	skate park	1
89	skate park	skate park	1
264	Skate park	skate park	1
378	Skate park	skate park	1
450	Skateboard Park	skate park	1
37	Skate park/bike park	skate park	1
48	Terrain park for bikes & skateboards	skate park	1
			7
Skate Park			
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
23	skate park	skate park	1
108	Skate Park	skate park	1
142	Skate park	skate park	1
207	Skate park	skate park	1
274	Skate park	skate park	1
330	Skate park	skate park	1
96	Skateboarding park	skate park	1
130	skateboarding park	skate park	1

Response #	Skate Park	Category	Response Qty
			8

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	XC Ski & Snowshoe	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
221	CC Ski on bike path	XC ski & snowshoe	1
526	Cross country ski area	XC ski & snowshoe	1
361	cross country ski trails	XC ski & snowshoe	1
130	Cross country skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
267	cross country skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
131	Cross Country Skiing area	XC ski & snowshoe	1
172	cross-country skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
474	groomed x country skiing trails	XC ski & snowshoe	1
			8
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
57	Cross country skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
395	Cross country trails	XC ski & snowshoe	1
424	Cross Country/Snowshoe Trail Access	XC ski & snowshoe	1
293	cross-country skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
140	Skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
3	Snow shoe and/or X- country ski areas	XC ski & snowshoe	1
280	Snowshoeing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
			7
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
69	Cross Country Skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
285	Cross country skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
302	cross country skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
324	cross country skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
103	Skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
293	Skiing options (downhill and cross country)	XC ski & snowshoe	1
158	snowshoeing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
287	x-country skiing	XC ski & snowshoe	1
			8

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Recreation Center	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
531	A YMCA facility similar to what is in Granby, CT, so I would not have to drive so far.	recreation center	1
208	Teen center for grade 8 and above!	recreation center	1
104	YMCA or similar	recreation center	1
458	Invest in the rec center so it can support increased community activities	recreation center	1
189	Rec Center Sports brought back to life--fields are empty	recreation center	1
			5
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
248	Activity center	recreation center	1
390	consider rec center for indoor fields for sports	recreation center	1
168	Gyms	recreation center	1
45	Indoor sports complex with track & climbing wall	recreation center	1
268	New Recreation Center	recreation center	1
65	public indoor sports center for all	recreation center	1
306	Town community center offering space and services to meet needs	recreation center	1
97	Town rec center with swimming , basketball courts , work out room	recreation center	1
438	Town/Rec Center collaboration	recreation center	1
437	Use of Rec Center for sporting tournaments	recreation center	1
396	Bring sports back at the rec center	recreation center	1
26	Improvement to the rec center sports ...little league? More organized by town so that it competes with surrounding towns	recreation center	1
			12
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
109	A rec center that isn't just a gym floor	recreation center	1

Response #	Recreation Center	Category	Response Qty
41	A youth/teen center	recreation center	1
298	After school/ summer program enhancement	recreation center	1
104	Indoor sporting complex with multiple options	recreation center	1
120	More options for indoor activities! Example bringing back the boys and girls club!	recreation center	1
299	New recreation center	recreation center	1
			6

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Horses	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
511	Equestrian center	equestrian center	1
112	Equestrian Park	equestrian center	1
182	Horse Park	equestrian center	1
447	Horseback riding	riding	1
420	horseback riding trails	riding	1
10	Horse Riding trails	riding	1
379	Horseback riding for the general public	riding	1
562	Horseback riding trails	riding	1
			8
Horses			
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
475	Access to trails for horseback riding.	riding	1
432	Equestrian center	equestrian center	1
181	Horse saddle paths	riding	1
334	Horseback	riding	1
189	horseback riding	riding	1
323	horseback riding	riding	1
125	Horseback riding trail abilities	riding	1
			7
Horses			
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
322	Equestrian center	equestrian center	1
271	Horse riding	riding	1
221	horseback riding	riding	1
			3

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Nature Option 1	Category	Response Qty
501	Bird watching	nature	1
502	Bird Watching	nature	1
445	Wildlife preservation areas with hiking trails	nature	1
			3
Response #	Nature Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
265	Bird watching	nature	1
288	Bird watching	nature	1
213	Bird/Nature Watching	nature	1
423	Education/information on our local wildlife	nature	1
338	More wildlife preserves	nature	1
156	Nature preserves with boardwalks through some of our swampy areas to allow access to naturalists with disabilities as well as others that wouldn't generally find those areas accessible.	nature	1
94	Nature Trails	nature	1
102	Nature walks and education	nature	1
380	Wildlife management walking area	nature	1
			9
Response #	Nature Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
99	Bird Watching areas	nature	1
318	Education/information about habitat preservation	nature	1
140	Nature Tours/ historical	nature	1
161	Trails in protected areas for bird watching	nature	1
61	Wildlife viewing	nature	1
			5

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below			
Response #	Motocross	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
215	Keep the Motocross going	motocross	1
496	More activities at The Wick, Post 338	motocross	1
174	More Motocross	motocross	1
216	Motocross	motocross	1
401	Motocross	motocross	1
76	Motocross	motocross	1
153	Motocross	motocross	1
276	pump track BMX	motocross	1
			8
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
101	expansion of motocross	motocross	1
405	more motocross	motocross	1
297	Motocross riding like the old days	motocross	1
360	motocross	motocross	1
55	Motocross	motocross	1
56	Motocross	motocross	1
			6
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
102	More motocross	motocross	1
251	More National Events at 338	motocross	1
297	Motocross	motocross	1
			3

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below			
Response #	Child Recreation Option 1	Category	Response Qty
51	Kids sports	child recreation	1
141	Better Kids Sports	child recreation	1
			2
Child Recreation Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
142	Improved sports/usage of fields for younger kids/bring back the rec baseball/softball fields	child recreation	1
456	Kids sports	child recreation	1
434	More kids' sports activities	child recreation	1
420	Programming for kids through the library	child recreation	1
310	Things for children	child recreation	1
144	Toddler classes	child recreation	1
429	Youth Friendly rec areas	child recreation	1
			7
Child Recreation Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
225	A place where kids can be kids	child recreation	1
129	Activities for School Age kids	child recreation	1
135	Exercise opportunities for kids	child recreation	1
337	Kid sports	child recreation	1
60	More sports and activities for youth	child recreation	1
267	More Youth activities	child recreation	1
			6

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Gardens	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
448	Backyard agriculture	gardens	1
165	botanical garden	gardens	1
563	Community garden	gardens	1
184	Community Gardens	gardens	1
334	Community garden	gardens	1
45	gardens for use and support of our food support agency	gardens	1
			6
Gardens Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
32	botanical garden	gardens	1
38	Botanical garden	gardens	1
215	Botanical gardens	gardens	1
314	community garden	gardens	1
167	Community gardens	gardens	1
324	walkways, parks, garden	gardens	1
			6
Gardens Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
127	Community garden/farm	gardens	1
315	Community gardening/ agriculture workshops	gardens	1
93	Gardening	gardens	1
			3

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

	Actual Responses Below		
Response #	No More Option 1	Category	Response Qty
127	No more	we have enough	1
214	None	we have enough	1
325	None	we have enough	1
358	None	we have enough	1
84	None	we have enough	1
434	None lower taxes	we have enough	1
551	Ones we have are fine!	we have enough	1
552	We have enough	we have enough	1
455	We have them already.	we have enough	1
			9
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
455	Natural - keep Southwick as close to what we have now, do not turn it into a mini city	we have enough	1
300	None	we have enough	1
			2
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
228	None	we have enough	1

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below			
Response #	Running	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
524	5k races	running	1
380	road races	running	1
143	Running	running	1
437	Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot 5K	running	1
64	Turkey trot	running	1
517	Use of track for 5k road races	running	1
			6
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
415	road races, run / bike	running	1
146	Running events	running	1
			1
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
121	5ks, 10ks races etc.	running	1
246	Town foot race	running	1
199	Trail running	running	1
			3

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

	Actual Responses Below		
Response #	Shooting	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
390	Gun Ranges	shooting range	1
4	Shooting Range	shooting range	1
			2
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
85	Outdoor shooting range	shooting range	1
135	Shooting range	shooting range	1
236	shooting range	shooting range	1
443	Shooting/hunting	shooting range	1
			4
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
183	Firearm license classes	shooting range	1
117	Shooting ranges	shooting range	1
211	Sport shooting	shooting range	1
			3

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Golf	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
150	golf	golf	1
303	golf	golf	1
356	golf	golf	1
475	golf	golf	1
529	Golfing	golf	1
548	PUBLIC GOLF COURSE	golf	1
			6
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
138	Golf	golf	1
325	Golf course	golf	1
			2
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
149	Golfing	golf	1
			1

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below			
Response #	Restaurants	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
65	Vineyard	restaurants	1
122	Vineyard	restaurants	1
258	better bars & restaurants	restaurants	1
262	food	restaurants	1
244	More outside dining	restaurants	1
245	More outside dining	restaurants	1
67	More restaurants	restaurants	1
			7
No Opinion			
Option 2			
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
			0
No Opinion			
Option 3			
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
158	More Restaurants	restaurants	1
162	Restaurants	restaurants	1
			2

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below			
Response #	No Opinion	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
110	na	no opinion	1
247	no opinion	no opinion	1
139	No opinion	no opinion	1
			3
	No Opinion		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
68	na	no opinion	1
153	no opinion	no opinion	1
			2
	No Opinion		
	Option 3		
240		no opinion	1
92	na	no opinion	1
205	no opinion	no opinion	1
			3

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

	Actual Responses Below		
Response #	Camping/Camps	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
33	more camping facilities	camping	1
256	Public Campgrounds	camping	1
532	summer camps	camps	1
			3
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
242	Additional camping areas	camping	1
457	Summer camp for resident children	camps	1
			2
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
336	affordable summer camps	camps	1
82	CAMPING	camping	1
94	Camping	camping	1
			3

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

	Actual Responses Below		
Response #	Historic Tours	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
506	Historic tour of land areas	historic tours	1
539	Historical - expand Moorehouse development to someday having people attend site like a mini-Sturbridge. Lot of history in our town - not to be forgotten.	historic tours	1
226	Historical building tours	historic tours	1
403	History	historic tours	1
92	Walking tours of historic places.	historic tours	1
			5
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
428	Historic tour of buildings/history	historic tours	1
40	Historical with a concentration to educate our students	historic tours	1
			2
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
			0

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below			
Response #	Adult Recreation	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
320	Gyms for seniors	adult recreation	1
415	more senior activity options	adult recreation	1
			2
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
84	Adult Recreation	adult recreation	1
397	Senior center focused enhancement	adult recreation	1
466	Senior shuffleboard - bowling	adult recreation	1
			3
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
263	senior	adult recreation	1

(Write in Response from Question 35)

Q. 35 List three recreational activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

	Actual Responses Below		
Response #	Shopping Option 1	Category	Response Qty
	Shopping Option 2		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
388	Mall	shopping	1
202	More boutique shops and restaurants	shopping	1
203	More boutique shops and restaurants	shopping	1
			3
	Shopping Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Summary of Responses

Category	Option 1 (Priority 1)		Option 2 (Priority 2)		Option 3 (Priority 3)		Grand Totals		
	# of responses	% of total responses	# of responses	% of total responses	# of responses	% of total responses	# of responses	% of total responses	Cum Total %
Music	140	43.5	55	18.1	20	9.1	215	25.4	49.4
Festivals	73	22.7	67	22.0	63	28.6	203	24.0	24.0
Recreation	21	6.5	41	13.5	30	13.6	92	10.9	60.3
Theater	45	14.0	20	6.6	11	5.0	76	9.0	69.3
Movies	44	13.7	23	7.6	10	4.5	77	9.1	78.4
Entertainment	16	5.0	23	7.6	27	12.3	66	7.8	86.2
Arts	21	6.5	33	10.9	9	4.1	63	7.4	93.6
Education	20	6.2	27	8.9	13	5.9	60	7.1	100.7
Restaurants	15	4.7	10	3.3	18	8.2	43	5.1	105.8
Historical	16	5.0	16	5.3	10	4.5	42	5.0	110.8
Farmer's market	12	3.7	17	5.6	8	3.6	37	4.4	115.1
Farm events	10	3.1	6	2.0	7	3.2	23	2.7	117.8
No opinion	7	2.2	2	0.7	5	2.3	14	1.7	119.5
Gardening	3	0.9	6	2.0	3	1.4	12	1.4	120.9
None needed	7	2.2	3	1.0	2	0.9	12	1.4	122.3
Other	7	2.2	3	1.0	0	0.0	10	1.2	123.5
Dance	2	0.6	4	1.3	2	0.9	8	0.9	124.5
Shopping	3	0.9	3	1.0	2	0.9	8	0.9	125.4
	322	100.0	304	100.0	220	100.0	846		

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Music Events Option 1	Category	Response Qty
89	amphitheater	music events	1
348	Amphitheater or permanent stage for concerts	music events	1
65	Amphitheater	music events	1
184	amphitheater with more than local acts	music events	1
323	band concerts for the old/young	music events	1
445	Band shell for more public entertainment/performances	music events	1
252	Bands	music events	1
289	bandshell	music events	1
62	Bandshell like Simsbury	music events	1
63	Bandstand	music events	1
398	Better concert facilities	music events	1
203	Better school music	music events	1
420	classical music	music events	1
302	Community Concerts	music events	1
90	concert venue	music events	1
228	concert venue	music events	1
1	Concerts	music events	1
12	Concerts	music events	1
29	Concerts	music events	1
33	Concerts	music events	1
81	concerts	music events	1
84	Concerts	music events	1
106	Concerts	music events	1
117	concerts	music events	1
122	Concerts	music events	1
133	Concerts	music events	1
158	concerts	music events	1
160	Concerts	music events	1
276	concerts	music events	1
331	concerts	music events	1
345	concerts	music events	1
375	Concerts	music events	1

Response #	Music Events	Category	Response Qty
402	concerts	music events	1
433	concerts	music events	1
455	Concerts	music events	1
461	concerts	music events	1
260	Concerts	music events	1
274	Concerts	music events	1
307	Concerts	music events	1
26	concerts (varied genre)	music events	1
185	concerts at school fields	music events	1
212	Concerts at Whalley Park	music events	1
47	Concerts on high school fields	music events	1
238	Concerts/talent shows	music events	1
404	Continuation of small concerts at Whalley Park	music events	1
301	Continue music concerts	music events	1
267	continued concerts (like the ones currently at Whalley Park)	music events	1
140	Continued concerts at Whalley	music events	1
162	Continued weekly summer concerts	music events	1
234	covered pavilion, small concert	music events	1
439	Encourage outdoor music as already stated	music events	1
94	Free concerts	music events	1
236	Free concerts	music events	1
68	Free concerts at park	music events	1
296	free concerts at Walley park	music events	1
396	Free concerts on varying days of the week instead of the same day every week	music events	1
315	indoor music venue for concerts and plays	music events	1
241	Indoor musical events not loud screaming and gyrations that pass for concerts now.	music events	1
200	Live concerts	music events	1
104	Live music	music events	1
357	Live music	music events	1
414	Live music	music events	1
278	Live music (continued)	music events	1
309	Live Music Venue	music events	1
196	Live music venue like Iron Horse, Northampton	music events	1
232	Local concerts	music events	1
132	local music/concert series	music events	1
44	Market nights somewhere with bands playing	music events	1
21	More concert series	music events	1
157	More concerts	music events	1
346	More concerts	music events	1
462	more concerts	music events	1
426	More cultural musical? (West African Drumming)	music events	1
159	More free concerts at Whalley Park!	music events	1

Response #	Music Events	Category	Response Qty
383	more open air concerts	music events	1
409	More public concerts	music events	1
16	Music	music events	1
49	Music	music events	1
115	Music	music events	1
134	Music	music events	1
175	Music	music events	1
180	Music	music events	1
187	Music	music events	1
391	Music	music events	1
303	Music	music events	1
9	Music concerts	music events	1
229	Music concerts	music events	1
320	music concerts	music events	1
143	Music Festival	music events	1
195	music festival	music events	1
413	Music pavilion	music events	1
34	Music performance space	music events	1
288	Music series	music events	1
283	Music venue	music events	1
165	Music venue	music events	1
233	Music venue	music events	1
110	Music Venue/Town Green	music events	1
403	Music Venue/Whalley	music events	1
262	Music venues	music events	1
362	music/ shows/ plays	music events	1
281	Music/Concerts	music events	1
325	musical events	music events	1
457	Musical performances (variety)	music events	1
181	Open air concerts	music events	1
87	Outdoor amphitheater	music events	1
61	Outdoor concert series	music events	1
173	outdoor concert venue	music events	1
392	outdoor concert venue	music events	1
113	Outdoor concerts	music events	1
266	outdoor concerts	music events	1
285	Outdoor concerts	music events	1
318	outdoor concerts	music events	1
380	outdoor concerts	music events	1
295	Outdoor concerts (besides Rotary)	music events	1
294	Outdoor Music	music events	1
329	outdoor music	music events	1
253	Outdoor music venue	music events	1
67	outdoor musical venue	music events	1
30	Public Music Venue	music events	1

Response #	Music Events	Category	Response Qty
1	Celtic music	music events	1
180	Community band	music events	1
181	Community band	music events	1
200	Community band/orchestra	music events	1
206	Community music	music events	1
114	Concerts	music events	1
144	concerts	music events	1
179	concerts on lake	music events	1
46	family friendly public concerts	music events	1
197	Hosting of small music/special interest festivals of all genres (we used to have a jazz festival come to town in the 1990's as well as a Native American culture festival)	music events	1
13	more public band events	music events	1
219	Music	music events	1
222	music at Walley pavilion	music events	1
47	Musical events	music events	1
224	outdoor concert	music events	1
242	Outdoor concert area	music events	1
198	outdoor concerts	music events	1
64	Outdoor concerts just like Wally Park	music events	1
153	Outdoor Music	music events	1
127	Town sponsored orchestra	music events	1
			20

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Festivals

Summary of top categories

Category	Qty option 1	Qty option 2	Qty option 3	Total Qty
Fairs	41	31	34	106
Fireworks	8	11	5	24
Food	6	8	1	15
Parades	8	4	3	15
Agricultural	1	8	1	10
Cultural	3	1	2	6
Music	3	1	2	6

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Festivals	Category	Response Qty	
	Option 1			
48	Agricultural festival	festivals	1	agricultural
127	Food festival with local vendors	festivals	1	food
204	Food festivals	festivals	1	food
259	Ice cream socials	festivals	1	food
103	Town picnics or functions involving all town folks	festivals	1	food
139	town sponsored picnic	festivals	1	food
201	town sponsored picnic	festivals	1	food
419	Cultural festivities	festivals	1	cultural
418	cultural festivities	festivals	1	cultural
410	cultural festivities day/night	festivals	1	cultural
	downtown block party/non alcohol from Summer House			
393	to Southwick Inn	festivals	1	fairs
263	First night celebration on December 31st	festivals	1	fairs
286	Free festivals	festivals	1	fairs
161	a town fair would be cool	festivals	1	fairs

Response #	Festivals	Category	Response Qty		
347	"Taste of Southwick"	festivals	1	fairs	
305	Annual carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
6	Annual Town fair	festivals	1	fairs	
10	Bring Southwick Days back	festivals	1	fairs	
193	carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
358	Community fair in town center/ marina	festivals	1	fairs	
73	Craft Fairs	festivals	1	fairs	
217	Expansion of fireman's carnival.	festivals	1	fairs	
351	Fair	festivals	1	fairs	
430	Fairs	festivals	1	fairs	
235	Fairs	festivals	1	fairs	
400	Festival/carnival fundraiser for the town	festivals	1	fairs	
156	Festivals	festivals	1	fairs	
247	Festivals	festivals	1	fairs	
290	Festivals	festivals	1	fairs	
374	fireman carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
425	Fireman carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
149	Fireman's carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
423	Fireman's carnival how it used to be	festivals	1	fairs	
8	Fireman's Carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
116	Harvest fair	festivals	1	fairs	
151	Harvest fair	festivals	1	fairs	
334	Harvest fair	festivals	1	fairs	
297	more town sponsored events, fairs, festivals	festivals	1	fairs	
183	PRIDE events	festivals	1	fairs	
242	Southwick Fair	festivals	1	fairs	
339	Southwick fair	festivals	1	fairs	
389	Southwick Fair	festivals	1	fairs	
192	Summer fair	festivals	1	fairs	
459	the carnival back. That was great.	festivals	1	fairs	
123	Town Carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
350	Town fair	festivals	1	fairs	
386	Town fair	festivals	1	fairs	
82	Town fair/concerts	festivals	1	fairs	
71	Town fairs	festivals	1	fairs	
359	town festival	festivals	1	fairs	
227	Town sponsored yearly carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
279	4th of July celebration	festivals	1	fireworks	
177	4th of July fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks	
377	4th of July fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks	
454	Budget for annual fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks	
378	Fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks	
13	Fireworks (insane with our taxes that we have to do fundraising for fireworks)	festivals	1	fireworks	

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty	
252	4th of July fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
165	Expansion of summer fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
36	Fireman's carnival	festivals	1	fireworks
37	Fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
47	fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
83	Fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
114	Fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
346	Fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
88	Fireworks provided by the town	festivals	1	fireworks
101	town sponsored fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
153	town sponsored fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
74	CONTINUE TRADITIONAL FIREMANS PARADE	festivals	1	parade
308	Kid-oriented parades	festivals	1	parade
234	Parades	festivals	1	parade
244	Parades	festivals	1	parade
294	highway	festivals	1	fairs
350	A small town fair	festivals	1	fairs
347	A Southwick festival or fair	festivals	1	fairs
136	A town fair	festivals	1	fairs

Response #	Festivals	Category	Response Qty		
22	Annual community event	festivals	1	fairs	
265	Bigger town fair/carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
81	Bring back Fireman's Carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
177	Carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
228	Carnival/Fair	festivals	1	fairs	
54	Carnivals	festivals	1	fairs	
168	fair	festivals	1	fairs	
10	Fair	festivals	1	fairs	
197	Fair/parades	festivals	1	fairs	
110	Fall fest or something like that	festivals	1	fairs	
323	Fall festival	festivals	1	fairs	
209	festivals, craft shows	festivals	1	fairs	
257	Fireman's carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
35	Fireman's carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
273	More fairs	festivals	1	fairs	
84	Southwick birthday celebration	festivals	1	fairs	
293	street fair	festivals	1	fairs	
31	The "250"celebration yearly	festivals	1	fairs	
318	Town block party	festivals	1	fairs	
60	town carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
194	Town carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
216	Town fair	festivals	1	fairs	
266	Town fair/carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
58	town fairground	festivals	1	fairs	
324	Town Festival	festivals	1	fairs	
310	Trunk or treat event (I really liked the Christmas tree event in the winter)	festivals	1	fairs	
66	winter festival	festivals	1	fairs	
103	Agricultural Country Fair	festivals	1	agriculture	
190	Cultural/National food fair	festivals	1	cultural	
156	Beer/wine festivals	festivals	1	food	
104	Food Festival	festivals	1	food	
179	Food festival	festivals	1	food	
230	food festivals	festivals	1	food	
65	Food truck festival	festivals	1	food	
174	food truck festival	festivals	1	food	
349	international food show	festivals	1	food	
334	Town wide picnics	festivals	1	food	
332	Outdoor music festival	festivals	1	music	
38	Historical festival	festivals	1	historical	
87	Bigger beach	festivals	1		
297	Community events involving town services	festivals	1		
220	Community fun	festivals	1		
27	Flea market	festivals	1		

Response #	Festivals	Category	Response Qty	
70	Organized social events	festivals	1	
1	Plays	festivals	1	
243	town sponsored functions	festivals	1	
263	town wide tag sale	festivals	1	
71	veterans' day event	festivals	1	
			67	
Option 3				
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty	
187	4th of July fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
31	Fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
190	Fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
30	Fireworks	festivals	1	fireworks
40	Guaranteed fireworks/carnival	festivals	1	fireworks
80	Parades	festivals	1	parade
138	Parades	festivals	1	parade
192	Parades	festivals	1	parade
232	All ages day/night festival	festivals	1	fairs
231	all ages day/night festivities	festivals	1	fairs
123	Block parties	festivals	1	fairs
81	Bringing back the Southwick Carnival	festivals	1	fairs
203	carnival / fair	festivals	1	fairs
77	Carnival in July	festivals	1	fairs
195	celebrations for national pride	festivals	1	fairs
164	Children's carnival type event	festivals	1	fairs
210	Community celebrations	festivals	1	fairs
37	Community Dinners	festivals	1	fairs
87	Community winter holiday fun	festivals	1	fairs
16	community/block parties	festivals	1	fairs
41	Fair	festivals	1	fairs
175	Fairs	festivals	1	fairs
62	Fall fair	festivals	1	fairs
25	Fall Festival	festivals	1	fairs
26	Fall festival	festivals	1	fairs
141	festivals	festivals	1	fairs
211	Festivals	festivals	1	fairs
229	Festivals on school campus/fields	festivals	1	fairs
158	firemen's carnival	festivals	1	fairs
193	Haunted 338 in October!	festivals	1	fairs
74	Having a Town fair	festivals	1	fairs
201	Holiday activities/hay rides/corn mazes	festivals	1	fairs
58	more fairs at the town hall	festivals	1	fairs
156	More public events (fairs, festivals, celebrations)	festivals	1	fairs

Response #	Festivals	Category	Response Qty		
52	Reinstitute the Fireman's carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
115	Some type of winter celebration	festivals	1	fairs	
120	town fair	festivals	1	fairs	
113	town festivals/ carnival	festivals	1	fairs	
70	town sponsored First Night	festivals	1	fairs	
105	town sponsored First Night	festivals	1	fairs	
234	Town street party	festivals	1	fairs	
228	Winter fest with ice skating	festivals	1	fairs	
241	agricultural fair	festivals	1	agricultural	
162	Highland games or similar cultural/family events	festivals	1	cultural	
	More inclusive cultural events that are inviting and				
188	welcoming for all	festivals	1	cultural	
29	Food Truck Event	festivals	1	food	
108	Live music festivals	festivals	1	music	
184	Music festival	festivals	1	music	
226	everyone (all ages) out on the town night	festivals	1		
133	Flea Markets	festivals	1		
148	flea markets	festivals	1		
165	more community fundraiser events	festivals	1		
	More support for local businesses who would like to				
208	have more events	festivals	1		
21	Nature hiking paths	festivals	1		
60	outdoor plays	festivals	1		
35	Public events	festivals	1		
24	Theater	festivals	1		
185	town activities	festivals	1		
172	Town Commemorations	festivals	1		
6	Town run car meet	festivals	1		
140	Town wide tag sale	festivals	1		
19	Tree lighting	festivals	1		
214	Weekly community Bon Fire supported by fire dept.	festivals	1		
			63		

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Recreation	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
349	4 wheeling	recreation	1
328	Alligator wresting	recreation	1
108	ATV trails	recreation	1
244	Babb's roller skating the 3 towns. Should have had the open 10 years ago	recreation	1
59	better camping area	recreation	1
226	Bowling	recreation	1
293	bowling	recreation	1
70	Bowling	recreation	1
220	Bowling alley	recreation	1
442	Bring park and recreation sports back to participation level of the 1990s.	recreation	1
83	Camp and rec for kids	recreation	1
188	Community pool	recreation	1
368	events areas for families	recreation	1
23	fishing derby's & other lake events	recreation	1
273	hiking	recreation	1
397	Horseback riding	recreation	1
384	Ice or roller skating	recreation	1
155	Kids splash pad	recreation	1
121	Picnic area	recreation	1
245	Public Pool/waterpark	recreation	1
300	recreational sports opportunities for adults	recreation	1
			21

Recreation

Option 2

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
314	General availability of health and exercise programs	recreation	1
13	Age appropriate activities that leverage the towns resources, biking, walking, hiking, non-motorized use of lake	recreation	1
80	ATV trails	recreation	1
98	Bowling	recreation	1

Response #	Recreation	Category	Response Qty
124	Bowling	recreation	1
12	Bowling alley	recreation	1
210	camping	recreation	1
295	Cross country skiing	recreation	1
46	designated ice skating/ roller skating rink	recreation	1
132	dirt racing	recreation	1
14	Dog park	recreation	1
121	Donkey basketball	recreation	1
8	Expand the high school sports complex for people to watch the kids	recreation	1
259	Ice hockey facility	recreation	1
172	Ice skating rink behind Town Hall or in a central location	recreation	1
250	Ice skating rink	recreation	1
167	Indoor pool	recreation	1
76	Kids sports	recreation	1
187	Minor league sports park	recreation	1
246	More beach areas on Congamond	recreation	1
286	Motocross	recreation	1
69	Motorcycle road race like the Isle of Mann	recreation	1
307	Mountain bike trail riding	recreation	1
312	municipal golf	recreation	1
16	non professional baseball	recreation	1
146	police/firemen softball or baseballs games	recreation	1
207	Pond hockey tournament	recreation	1
5	Revival of rec center sports	recreation	1
331	Roller skate park	recreation	1
75	Skate park	recreation	1
268	Snowmobiling	recreation	1
249	Soccer tournament	recreation	1
102	Splash park	recreation	1
204	splash/water park for children	recreation	1
141	Tennis/sport areas	recreation	1
193	Town pool	recreation	1
23	Water park/spray park	recreation	1
313	Central food areas	recreation	1
			41
	Recreation Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
56	ATV trails	recreation	1
159	baseball	recreation	1
129	Bowling	recreation	1
61	Bowling	recreation	1

Response #	Recreation	Category	Response Qty
130	Bowling	recreation	1
237	Community park - no fees charged - keep youth active and out of trouble	recreation	1
124	Conservation walks	recreation	1
189	Dirt bikes	recreation	1
71	Dog park	recreation	1
34	Encourage more recreational, and cultural activities in Southwick	recreation	1
230	Hiking trails	recreation	1
7	Hiking trails	recreation	1
90	host little league sectional qualifying	recreation	1
146	ice/regular fishing tournament	recreation	1
227	lakeside activities	recreation	1
17	More activity on the water	recreation	1
51	Non motorized boating	recreation	1
89	open the beach to residents at no charge	recreation	1
131	Outdoor arena	recreation	1
95	Outdoor gym	recreation	1
12	Quad and off-road vehicle trails developed	recreation	1
145	Rec Center development	recreation	1
161	Road Races	recreation	1
204	Safer lake activities	recreation	1
142	snowmobile	recreation	1
209	Splash pad	recreation	1
91	Summer camps for kids	recreation	1
183	Tennis and pickle ball courts, pool	recreation	1
235	Yoga on the green	recreation	1
220	Youth sports !!!	recreation	1
			30

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Theater Option 1	Category	Response Qty
53	Community theater	theater	1
78	community theater	theater	1
97	Community theater	theater	1
287	Community theater	theater	1
138	Community theater shows	theater	1
93	Dinner theater	theater	1
224	Live Theater	theater	1
20	live theater	theater	1
291	live theater	theater	1
332	Live theater	theater	1
367	outdoor plays	theater	1
221	Outdoor theatre/venue	theater	1
385	Performance/Rehearsal space	theater	1
66	performing arts	theater	1
11	Playhouse	theater	1
186	playhouse	theater	1
373	Playhouse	theater	1
15	Playhouse	theater	1
292	playhouse theater	theater	1
395	playhouse/theater	theater	1
431	playhouse/theater	theater	1
145	Plays	theater	1
223	plays	theater	1
272	plays	theater	1
370	plays	theater	1
364	Small community theatre space that also doubles as a film cinema	theater	1
376	Small theatre	theater	1
76	summer theatre/movies in the park	theater	1
14	Theater	theater	1
107	Theater	theater	1
124	theater	theater	1
130	Theater	theater	1

Response #	Theater	Category	Response Qty
23	Drive in movies	theater	1
186	musicals	theater	1
177	Play house for live performances	theater	1
101	playhouse	theater	1
94	Plays	theater	1
147	summer theater	theater	1
66	Theater	theater	1
118	theater	theater	1
152	Theater	theater	1
191	Theater	theater	1
			11

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Movies	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
435	Bring back a true old-time drive-in theater area	movies	1
313	Cinema Theaters	movies	1
429	Classic movie nights	movies	1
441	Community movie venue	movies	1
361	Consider an IMAX theater.	movies	1
112	drive - in movies again	movies	1
343	drive in	movies	1
152	Drive in movie	movies	1
135	Drive in movie theater	movies	1
146	Drive in movie theater	movies	1
354	Drive in movie theater	movies	1
136	Drive in movies	movies	1
198	drive in movies	movies	1
74	Drive in movies	movies	1
356	Drive in movies	movies	1
388	Drive in movies	movies	1
319	Drive in theater	movies	1
150	Drive in town movies at the town hall or on a town green	movies	1
443	Drive-in theater	movies	1
163	Movie nights-outdoor	movies	1
131	Movie Theater	movies	1
218	Movie theater	movies	1
243	Movie Theater	movies	1
249	Movie theater	movies	1
299	Movie theater	movies	1
326	Movie theater	movies	1
387	Movie theater	movies	1

Response #	Movies	Category	Response Qty
171	Movies	movies	1
50	Outdoor movies	movies	1
73	Outdoor movies in the park	movies	1
72	Outdoor movies, not just for kids	movies	1
			23
	Movies		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
10	Drive in movie theater	movies	1
137	Drive in theater	movies	1
22	Fairs supporting our businesses	movies	1
240	Maybe bring back movie night in the park.	movies	1
83	Movie Theater	movies	1
42	Movie theater	movies	1
84	Movie theater - drive in or cinema	movies	1
75	Movies	movies	1
92	Movies	movies	1
55	Outdoor movies	movies	1
			10

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36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Entertainment					
Summary of major categories					
	Category	Qty option 1	Qty Option 2	Qty option 3	Total Qty
	Bars	2	3	3	8
	Games	1	2	4	7
	Arcades	2	3	2	7
	Picnics	0	3	3	6
	Outdoor	2	0	2	4
	Family	0	3	0	3
	Camps	2	1	0	3
Actual Responses Below					
Response #	Entertainment Option 1	Category	Response Qty	Sub-Category	
25	Winery	entertainment	1	bar	
210	breweries	entertainment	1	bars	
179	Summer camps for kids	entertainment	1	camps	
5	Kids summer camps	entertainment	1	camps	
369	Board game clubs/competitions	entertainment	1	games	
119	Outdoor entertainment events	entertainment	1	outdoor	
77	outdoor/indoor venues	entertainment	1	outdoor	
336	Facility like Sonny's Place in CT	entertainment	1	arcades	
310	Mini Golf	entertainment	1	arcades	
440	AAA BASEBALL	entertainment	1		
308	Car show	entertainment	1		
75	Expanded nightlife activities	entertainment	1		
327	Simsbury type pavilion	entertainment	1		
167	Walkable "downtown" with additional bars/restaurants	entertainment	1		
311	Weekend Events	entertainment	1		

Response #	Entertainment	Category	Response Qty	Sub-Category	
269	Zoo	entertainment	1		
			16		
	Entertainment Option 2				
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty	Sub-Category	
55	Bars, hookah	entertainment	1	bar	
188	better bars	entertainment	1	bar	
59	breweries	entertainment	1	bar	
134	Summer camps for kids	entertainment	1	camps	
291	activities that parents and children can share	entertainment	1	family	
178	Family parks	entertainment	1	family	
120	More family activities that get families moving together	entertainment	1	family	
226	chess tournament	entertainment	1	games	
251	crossword puzzle competition	entertainment	1	games	
292	Community picnic	entertainment	1	picnic	
131	picnic area that is free	entertainment	1	picnic	
281	picnic tables	entertainment	1	picnic	
185	Arcade	Entertainment	1	arcades	
261	Arcade, mini golf, go carts, batting cage like a sonny's	Entertainment	1	arcades	
271	Go karting	Entertainment	1	arcades	
242	bring back Elvis	entertainment	1		
344	Community Center for all ages	entertainment	1		
343	Congamond lake tours	entertainment	1		
115	More kids activities at night	entertainment	1		
92	Petting zoo for children	entertainment	1		
340	Petting zoos/free	entertainment	1		
108	Swap meet	entertainment	1		
139	Town square with activities	entertainment	1		
			23		
	Entertainment Option 3				
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty	Category	
218	A winery would be nice (it would be awesome to have a food and wine festival)	entertainment	1	bars	
167	beer garden	entertainment	1	bars	
221	Wine-tasting events	entertainment	1	bars	
57	More family activities	entertainment	1	family	

Response #	Entertainment	Category	Response Qty	Sub-Category	
128	Bingo Hall	entertainment	1	games	
48	corn hole, Jenga, outside games	entertainment	1	games	
135	Park/Games	entertainment	1	games	
178	stupid questionnaire contest	entertainment	1	games	
68	More outdoor entertainment	entertainment	1	outdoor	
212	Picnics	entertainment	1	picnics	
9	Picnics	entertainment	1	picnics	
99	town picnic	entertainment	1	picnics	
216	Airsoft/ paintball field	entertainment	1	arcades	
149	arcade thing for kids	entertainment	1	arcades	
239	Babbs (Suffield) & reopen Southwick	entertainment	1		
182	Barbecue	entertainment	1		
121	Fun community gatherings for all ages	entertainment	1		
223	Hot air balloons	entertainment	1		
233	Meeting house for party rental	entertainment	1		
67	More activities on the Lake	entertainment	1		
132	night life	entertainment	1		
15	Rodeo	entertainment	1		
202	Small animal zoo/habitat	entertainment	1		
38	Sport events	entertainment	1		
157	Sporting events	entertainment	1		
176	Support Youth Activities	entertainment	1		
54	Teenager activity center	entertainment	1		
			27		

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Arts and Crafts Option 1	Category	Response Qty
4	Art	art exhibits	1
35	Art	art exhibits	1
390	Art and Crafts festivals	art exhibits	1
453	art exhibits	art exhibits	1
353	Art festivals	art exhibits	1
355	Art festivals	art exhibits	1
85	Art festivals	art exhibits	1
190	Art show	art exhibits	1
216	Art shows	art exhibits	1
251	Art shows	art exhibits	1
284	Art shows	art exhibits	1
421	art shows	art exhibits	1
91	Art shows and exhibits	art exhibits	1
379	arts and crafts sales	art exhibits	1
222	craft fair	art exhibits	1
382	craft fair	art exhibits	1
39	Local art shows	art exhibits	1
405	local artists exhibits	art exhibits	1
2	More art exhibits	art exhibits	1
372	More investment in public art - commissioned sculpture, murals, water features	art exhibits	1
371	Support art, music, and theater in schools and community	art exhibits	1
			21
Response #	Arts and Crafts Option 2	Category	Response Qty
2	Artists at work exhibits	art exhibits	1
41	Art	art exhibits	1

Response #	Arts and Crafts	Category	Response Qty
126	Arts events	art exhibits	1
11	Arts, craft shops	art exhibits	1
85	Center for arts that displays artwork/cultural pieces from Southwick residents	art exhibits	1
119	More Art and Music events	art exhibits	1
199	more art shows	art exhibits	1
72	Outdoor Art Exhibits	art exhibits	1
			9

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Educational	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
32	Activities to teach our residents skills we need like financial or budgeting	educational	1
437	Adult night classes, classics or crafts	educational	1
102	Children affordable after school programs	educational	1
191	Classes outside of schools	educational	1
80	College or further education campus	educational	1
306	Cooking classes/instructions	educational	1
208	Expand library programming	educational	1
194	free language classes at town hall	educational	1
428	Larger library - one in Southwick is too small.	educational	1
168	Lectures	educational	1
448	Lectures at library	educational	1
463	lectures history, current events	educational	1
22	Library growth	educational	1
214	Museum	educational	1
79	na	educational	1
264	Open cooking class	educational	1
207	Public Forums	educational	1
99	PUBLIC SAFETY NIGHT with POLICE / FIRE / EMS	educational	1
148	Speaker Series--variety of topics	educational	1
446	Wildlife observation and bird watching	educational	1
			20
Educational			
Option 2			
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
28	A place with space to learn different art things	educational	1
335	Adult ed. classes at high school	educational	1
233	Adult education offerings	educational	1
163	art & cooking classes	educational	1
247	Art museum	educational	1
155	Better school music	educational	1

Response #	Educational	Category	Response Qty
			13

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Restaurants	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
417	A colonial village of restaurants and shops	restaurants	1
182	A walkable area of restaurants and shops	restaurants	1
246	better restaurants	restaurants	1
254	Ethnically diverse restaurants	restaurants	1
366	family owned restaurants	restaurants	1
72	Fast casual food options	restaurants	1
225	Floating dinner/tiki bar boat rides	restaurants	1
265	more restaurants	restaurants	1
412	More smaller quality restaurants	restaurants	1
330	restaurant on lake	restaurants	1
118	Restaurants	restaurants	1
164	Restaurants	restaurants	1
275	Restaurants	restaurants	1
86	Restaurants	restaurants	1
444	We have enough	restaurants	1
			15
Restaurants			
Option 2			
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
198	Do not encourage allowance of chain restaurants	restaurants	1
341	Farm to table restaurants	restaurants	1
240	Food	restaurants	1
195	Good restaurants	restaurants	1
253	lake side eating	restaurants	1
302	outdoor dining	restaurants	1
160	Pedestrian area with restaurants and shops	restaurants	1
82	pub/food crawls	restaurants	1
130	Restaurant	restaurants	1
20	Starbucks	restaurants	1

Response #	Restaurants	Category	Response Qty
			10
	Restaurants		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
44	BBQ and brew contest	restaurants	1
65	BBQ contest was fun	restaurants	1
169	Brewery with food	restaurants	1
93	Cafes	restaurants	1
43	Food Tastings	restaurants	1
215	food truck event	restaurants	1
76	Food truck night	restaurants	1
166	Food Truck Roundups	restaurants	1
104	Food trucks	restaurants	1
122	Food trucks	restaurants	1
28	Local nights at restaurants	restaurants	1
117	More outdoor dining & live music	restaurants	1
86	More restaurants	restaurants	1
73	Outdoor Dining	restaurants	1
98	Outdoor food events	restaurants	1
136	Restaurants	restaurants	1
110	Small ethnic restaurants	restaurants	1
196	Smoothie place	restaurants	1
			18

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Response #	Historical	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
460	A center that would contain the Town's history	historical	1
197	historic teaching	historical	1
401	Historical	historical	1
105	Historical gatherings (Civil War, for example)	historical	1
317	Historical Museum	historical	1
268	Historical museum open more	historical	1
298	Historical presentations at the library	historical	1
31	Historical restoration and viewing	historical	1
312	History	historical	1
449	MORE APPRECIATION OF HISTORICAL CHARACTER	historical	1
456	More historical houses saved and open to public	historical	1
219	More history involvement with schools	historical	1
54	Open house for businesses- tie into Southwick culture or	historical	1
50	Support for the Historical commission	historical	1
100	Town history programs for kids	historical	1
137	Preservation of historical homes	historical	1
			16
	Historical		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
322	Bigger town history museum	historical	1
40	Have more historical society activities accented	historical	1
328	Historical	historical	1
99	historical businesses that served Southwick	historical	1
327	historical festivities	historical	1
320	Historical festivities day/Night	historical	1
182	Historical information	historical	1
285	Historical museum,	historical	1

Response #	Historical	Category	Response Qty
301	Historical plaques	historical	1
275	historical reenactment day!	historical	1
306	More local history events	historical	1
326	Museum of colonial life	historical	1
290	Southwick history taught	historical	1
125	Southwick museum/historical building	historical	1
33	Town history walks/ lectures (more about the lake)	historical	1
128	Would love something to do with the history of the native	historical	1
			16
	Historical		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
82	Historical movie	historical	1
69	historical museum	historical	1
225	Historical reenactments	historical	1
33	Historical Tours	historical	1
213	Historical village for tourism	historical	1
4	History	historical	1
3	I'd like to see our "recreational" history rekindled and	historical	1
88	More support for Historical Society	historical	1
	More use of the Moore house and barn other than being		
238	open now and then	historical	1
205	Native American history	historical	1
			10

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Farmer's Market	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
451	A farmers' market	farmer's market	1
69	Farmer's market	farmer's market	1
141	Farmer's market	farmer's market	1
399	Farmer's Market	farmer's market	1
205	Farmer's Markets	farmer's market	1
40	Farmers market	farmer's market	1
95	Farmers Market	farmer's market	1
128	Farmers Market	farmer's market	1
282	Farmers market	farmer's market	1
394	farmers market	farmer's market	1
450	Farmers market	farmer's market	1
147	Fruit market or farm	farmer's market	1
			12

Farmer's Market

Option 2

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
34	Farmer's Market	farmer's market	1
170	Farmer's Market	farmer's market	1
6	Farmers market	farmer's market	1
39	Farmers Market	farmer's market	1
112	Farmers market	farmer's market	1
199	Farmers Market	farmer's market	1
64	Farmers market	farmer's market	1
152	Farmers market and CSA farm shares	farmer's market	1
49	Farmers market on weekends	farmer's market	1
200	Farmers markets	farmer's market	1
325	Farmers markets	farmer's market	1
339	Farmers markets all year	farmer's market	1

Response #	Farmer's Market	Category	Response Qty
119	Farmers markets available on weekdays and weekends	farmer's market	1
48	Farmers/public market (Troy NY has an exceptionally good model)	farmer's market	1
309	More Flower Farms & Vegetable Farm stands	farmer's market	1
62	Town-wide farmers market	farmer's market	1
267	Weekend Summer Farmers market	farmer's market	1
			17
	Farmer's Market		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
194	Consider a Southwick farmer's market .	farmer's market	1
173	farmer market	farmer's market	1
151	Farmers market	farmer's market	1
168	Farmers Market	farmer's market	1
207	farmers market	farmer's market	1
78	Farmers market!!!!!!	farmer's market	1
14	Farmers markets	farmer's market	1
163	open air farmers market or Holiday market	farmer's market	1
			8

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Farm Events	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
142	Horse/Dog Shows	farm events	1
98	Continuance of the Farm/Tractor Parade	farm events	1
438	Cows/chickens/bison	farm events	1
337	Farm appreciation activities	farm events	1
411	Farm Festival celebrating farm animals and local produce and artisans	farm events	1
56	Farm tours	farm events	1
125	Farming education	farm events	1
45	Open farms for kids to visit animals	farm events	1
46	Open farms for kids to visit the animals	farm events	1
381	Small Agricultural fair	farm events	1
			10
Farm Events			
Option 2			
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
219	Agricultural fair/events	farm events	1
184	Agriculture Fair	farm events	1
180	Farm days	farm events	1
42	Farm tour	farm events	1
4	Farming	farm events	1
196	Tractor pulls	farm events	1
			6
Farm Events			
Option 3			
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
36	Agribusiness tours	farm events	1
53	AGRICULTURAL RELATED FESTIVAL, Farm Parade,	farm events	1
39	agriculture gatherings	farm events	1
170	Animals	farm events	1

Response #	Farm Events	Category	Response Qty
100	farm day	farm events	1
217	More agricultural activities	farm events	1
8	Something related to farming	farm events	1
			7

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

	Actual Responses Below		
Response #	No Opinion	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
344	N/A	no opinion	1
360	?	no opinion	1
111	no idea	no opinion	1
199	no opinion	no opinion	1
64	No opinion	no opinion	1
101	No opinion	no opinion	1
213	yes	no opinion	1
			7
	Option 2		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
61	na	no opinion	1
151	no opinion	no opinion	1
			2
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
171	???	no opinion	1
112	maybe	no opinion	1
45	na	no opinion	1
79	NA	no opinion	1
103	no opinion	no opinion	1
			5

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Gardening Option 1	Category	Response Qty
19	community farming lot	gardening	1
3	Town center Park the evolve with floral gardens, landscaping, fish ponds, and art/outdoor sculpture	gardening	1
340	Town garden	gardening	1
			3
	Gardening Option 2		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
157	Community Seed Bank	gardening	1
342	Expand community gardening	gardening	1
222	Garden tours	gardening	1
30	Garden Tours/Holiday Homes Tour	gardening	1
86	Gardens	gardening	1
300	Public gardens	gardening	1
			6
	Gardening Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
109	Community Native Edible/Medicinal Plants Garden	gardening	1
32	Gardner tours	gardening	1
106	Nature trails / Public gardens	gardening	1
			3

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

	Actual Responses Below		
Response #	Other Option 1	Category	Response Qty
154	Dispensary	other	1
38	Town funded community food pantry	other	1
452	Anything that would encourage young people to stay here	other	1
60	community clean ups	other	1
206	Hatch shell	other	1
363	Pottery making place	other	1
424	Put put	other	1
			7
	Option 2		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
2	Improved communication of current events	other	1
111	Residential area integrated into option 2. Maybe	other	1
134	VFW funding	other	1
			3
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
278	Thrift store	other	0

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36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	None	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
248	None	none	1
171	None	none	1
257	None	none	1
277	None	none	1
324	none its ok now	none	1
342	None lower taxes	none	1
153	none that I can think of	none	1
			7
Option 2			
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
161	no	none	1
144	None	none	1
212	None	none	1
			3
Option 3			
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
97	None	none	1
150	None	none	1
			2

(Write in Response from Question 36)

36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

	Actual Responses Below		
Response #	Dance	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
58	Dance/gymnastics	dance	1
55	Dances	dance	1
			2
	Dance		
	Option 2		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
183	Ball room dancing	dance	1
191	Dances	dance	1
241	Dances	dance	1
148	Dane venue, like Jacobs Pillow, Becket	dance	1
			4
	Dance		
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
174	dance shows	dance	1
102	dances	dance	1
			2

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36. List three entertainment or cultural activities that you would like to see in Southwick over the next 20 years.

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Shopping Option 1	Category	Response Qty
261	Encourage a town center and shopping area similar to Simsbury.	shopping	1
202	Outdoor Shopping	shopping	1
169	Shopping Outlet/Mall	shopping	1
			3
	Shopping Option 2		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
122	Boutiques	shopping	1
202	More retail shops	shopping	1
24	Open air markets	shopping	1
			3
	Shopping Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
139	Clothing stores	shopping	1
160	mall	shopping	1
			2

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Summary of Responses

Category	Participate Regularly in Southwick	% of Responses	Participate Elsewhere	% of Responses	Total Qty	Elsewhere minus in Southwick
	Qty		Qty		Qty	Qty
Biking	18	28.57	3	7.7	21	-15
Golf	7	11.11	2	5.1	9	-5
Walking	6	9.52	1	2.6	7	-5
Running	5	7.94	1	2.6	6	-4
Other	5	7.94	4	10.3	9	-1
Disc golf	4	6.35	2	5.1	6	-2
Gardening	3	4.76	0	0.0	3	-3
Roller blading	3	4.76	0	0.0	3	-3
Horseback riding	2	3.17	0	0.0	2	-2
Fishing	2	3.17	0	0.0	2	-2
Senior center	2	3.17	0	0.0	2	-2
Cannabis	1	1.59	0	0.0	1	-1
Foraging	1	1.59	0	0.0	1	-1
Geocaching	1	1.59	1	2.6	2	0
Offroad	1	1.59	2	5.1	3	1
Family outings	1	1.59	3	7.7	4	2
Camping	1	1.59	3	7.7	4	2
Dog parks	0	0.00	1	2.6	1	1
Football	0	0.00	1	2.6	1	1
Go-karts	0	0.00	1	2.6	1	1
Summer camps	0	0.00	1	2.6	1	1
Airsoft	0	0.00	1	2.6	1	1
Skiing	0	0.00	1	2.6	1	1
Aircraft flying	0	0.00	2	5.1	2	2
Automobiles	0	0.00	2	5.1	2	2
Pickleball/Tennis	0	0.00	3	7.7	3	3
Water sports	0	0.00	4	10.3	4	4
	63	100.00	39	100.0	102	

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in	Participate Elsewhere	
Biking	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
bike path	biking		1	0	1
Bike riding on Rail Trail	biking		1	0	1
Bike trail	biking		2	0	2
Biking and walking on the rail trail	biking	walking	1	0	1
biking on bike paths	biking		1	0	1
Biking on bike trail	biking		1	1	2
school track (not roads)	biking	walking	1	0	1
biking on rail trail	biking		1	0	1
Biking on Rail Trails; Camping - elsewhere	biking	camping	1	1	2
Rail Trail	biking		1	0	1
Rail trail	biking		1	0	1
Rail trail	biking		1	1	2
Rail trail bike riding	biking		1	0	1
Rail trails	biking		1	0	1
Riding/waking the bike trail	biking	walking	1	0	1
Road biking (on Rail Trail)	biking		1	0	1
use of rail trail	biking		1	0	1
			18	3	21

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Golf	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Total Qty of Responses
Golf	golf		3	1	4
Golfing	golf		2	1	3
golfing	golf		1	0	1
Regular and Disc Golf	disc golf	golf	1	0	1
			7	2	9

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Walking	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Walking (in parks)	walking		0	1	1
Walking ON THE HS TRACK	walking		1	0	1
Walking on track and at Whaley Park	walking		1	0	1
Walks on bike path	walking		1	0	1
Biking and walking on the rail trail	biking	walking	1	0	1
Biking on bike trail (not road) or walking high school track (not roads)	biking	walking	1	0	1
Riding/waking the bike trail	Biking	walking	1	0	1
			6	1	7

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Running	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Cross Country jogging	running		1	0	1
Jogging	running		1	0	1
Jogging on school track	running		1	0	1
Running	running		1	1	2
Running outdoors	running		1	0	1
			5	1	6

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below				
		Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Other	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
History - antiquing	other	0	1	1
I am happy with what is available.	other	1	0	1
Answering questions falsely because I only had 2 options	other	1	0	1
Awful answers. You need a "doesn't apply" as an answer	other	0	1	1
Driving around, enjoying the views	other	1	1	2
Electric mountain board	other	1	0	1
Watching television need better cable options	other	1	0	1
History - antiquing	other	0	1	1
		5	4	9

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Disc Golf	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Disc Golf	disc golf		1	1	2
Disc golf	disc golf		2	1	3
Regular and Disc Golf	disc golf	golf	1	0	1
			4	2	6

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Gardening	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Community gardening	gardening		1	0	1
Gardening	gardening		1	0	1
Gardening	gardening		1	0	1
			3	0	3

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below

			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
			Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Roller Blading	Category	Category			
roller blading	roller blading		1	0	1
Roller blading on rail trail path	roller blading		1	0	1
roller skating	roller blading		1	0	1
			3	0	3

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below

			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
			Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Horses	Category	Category			
Horseback riding	horseback riding		1	0	1
trail riding with horses	horseback riding		1	0	1
			2	0	2

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Fishing					
Better fishing access to all of Congamond	fishing		1	0	1
fishing	fishing		1	0	1
			2	0	2

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below

			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
			Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Senior Center	Category	Category			
Exercise classes at Senior Center	senior center		1	0	1
Senior center activities	senior center		1	0	1
			2	0	2

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below

			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
			Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Cannabis	Category	Category			
Dispensary	cannabis		1	0	1

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Foraging		Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Foraging		Foraging	1	0	1

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Geocaching	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Geocaching	Geocaching		1	1	2

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
				Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere
Off-Road		Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
BMX		off-road		1	1
Jeep trails		off-road		0	1
				1	2
					3

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Family Outings	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Family fun	family outings		0	1	1
Family Picnics	family outings		1	1	2
Fireworks and fairs	family outings		0	1	1
			1	3	4

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below

			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
			Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Camping	Category	Category			
Camping	camping		0	2	2
Biking on Rail Trails; Camping - elsewhere	biking	camping	1	1	2
			1	3	4

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below

			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
			Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Dog Park	Category	Category			
Dog park	dog park		0	1	1

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below

			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
			Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Football	Category	Category			
Football	football		0	1	0

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
			Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Go-Karts			Category	Category	
Playing in Airsoft Events and Go-Kart racing			airsoft	go-karts	
			0	1	1

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Summer Camps					
Paddleboard, kayak, summer camps	water sports	summer camps	0	1	1

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Air-Soft(fake guns)	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Playing in Airsoft Events and Go-Kart racing	airsoft	go-karts	0	1	1

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below

			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
			Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Skiing	Category	Category			
Downhill skiing	skiing		0	1	1
			0	1	1

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Aircraft Flying	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
RC Aircraft flying	aircraft flying		0	1	1
RC planes	aircraft flying		0	1	1
			0	2	2

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below					
			Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Automobiles	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Automobile racing	auto racing		0	1	1
Car shows	auto shows		0	1	1
			0	2	2

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below						
				Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Pickleball/Tennis	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Pickleball	pickleball			0	1	1
Tennis, pickleball, In ground Pools	tennis	pickleball	water sports	0	1	1
Tennis, pickleball, In ground Pools	tennis	pickleball	water sports	0	1	1
				0	3	3

(Write in Response from Question 37)

37. Please check all of the following activities that you enjoy (in Southwick or elsewhere):

Actual Responses Below

				Participate Regularly in Southwick	Participate Elsewhere	
Water Sports	Category	Category	Category	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses	Qty of Responses
Paddleboard, kayak, summer camps	water sports	water sports	summer camps	0	1	1
Sailing	water sports			0	1	1
Paddleboard, kayak, summer camps	water sports	water sports	summer camps	0	1	1
Paddleboard, kayak, summer camps	water sports	water sports	summer camps	0	1	1
				0	4	4

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Summary of Responses									
	Option 1		Option 2		Option 3		Grand Totals		
	(Priority 1)		(Priority 2)		(Priority 3)		All Priorities		
Category	Qty	% of total responses	Qty	% of total responses	Qty	% of total responses	Total Qty	% of total responses	
Overcrowded	183	29.0	110	20.5	64	16.2	357	22.8	
Water quality	142	22.5	66	12.3	34	8.6	242	15.5	
Pollution	49	7.8	41	7.6	28	7.1	118	7.5	
Policing	36	5.7	37	6.9	38	9.6	111	7.1	
Weed control	19	3.0	39	7.3	17	4.3	75	4.8	
Safety	20	3.2	28	5.2	16	4.0	64	4.1	
Overdeveloped	22	3.5	22	4.1	16	4.0	60	3.8	
Litter	13	2.1	19	3.5	18	4.5	50	3.2	
Too many out-of-towners on the lake	18	2.9	19	3.5	12	3.0	49	3.1	
Conservation/Environmental	8	1.3	14	2.6	21	5.3	43	2.8	
Lake access	15	2.4	16	3.0	12	3.0	43	2.8	
Lake oversight issues	6	1.0	16	3.0	20	5.1	42	2.7	
All other	15	2.4	6	1.1	13	3.3	34	2.2	
Beach issues	5	0.8	14	2.6	7	1.8	26	1.7	
Bacteria	9	1.4	8	1.5	8	2.0	25	1.6	
Business on the Lake	4	0.6	12	2.2	8	2.0	24	1.5	
restricting boat size/HP	6	1.0	15	2.8	3	0.8	24	1.5	
Dredging	11	1.7	5	0.9	7	1.8	23	1.5	
Recreation	3	0.5	8	1.5	11	2.8	22	1.4	
Tax issues	12	1.9	4	0.7	5	1.3	21	1.3	
Septic issues	4	0.6	8	1.5	6	1.5	18	1.2	
Noise levels	3	0.5	7	1.3	7	1.8	17	1.1	
Fishing issues	2	0.3	6	1.1	6	1.5	14	0.9	

	Option 1		Option 2		Option 3		Grand Totals	
	(Priority 1)		(Priority 2)		(Priority 3)		All Priorities	
Category	Qty	% of total responses	Qty	% of total responses	Qty	% of total responses	Total Qty	% of total responses
increased parking	5	0.8	3	0.6	5	1.3	13	0.8
Housing Issues	4	0.6	3	0.6	3	0.8	10	0.6
inter-pond culvert issues	3	0.5	4	0.7	2	0.5	9	0.6
Maintenance	3	0.5	0	0.0	6	1.5	9	0.6
Road conditions around the lake	3	0.5	3	0.6	2	0.5	8	0.5
CRC	1	0.2	2	0.4	2	0.5	5	0.3
no opinion	5	0.8	0	0.0	0	0.0	5	0.3
lake smells	2	0.3	1	0.2	0	0.0	3	0.2
	0 631	100.0	536	100.0	397	100.3	1564	100.1

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Response #	Overcrowded Option 1 Results	Category	Qty
97	Watercraft overcrowding	overcrowded	1
378	watercraft overcrowding	overcrowded	1
478	Watercraft overcrowding	overcrowded	1
286	Way too many boats	overcrowded	1
105	Way too many boats	overcrowded	1
402	.overuse	overcrowded	1
403	amount of boats	overcrowded	1
501	avoiding overcrowding	overcrowded	1
519	Boat density	overcrowded	1
422	Boat overcrowding	overcrowded	1
507	boat overcrowding	overcrowded	1
364	boat traffic	overcrowded	1
42	boat traffic congestion	overcrowded	1
565	Boating congestion	overcrowded	1
121	boating usage	overcrowded	1
360	Boats on Congamond	overcrowded	1
500	Control and limiting boat traffic to ensure safety and property owner enjoyment free of nuisance	overcrowded	1
129	Control the amount of motor boats on the lake on the weekends	overcrowded	1
161	Controlling # of boats allowed on lake	overcrowded	1
608	Controlling overcrowding and over usage	overcrowded	1
294	Crowding	overcrowded	1
543	Crowding	overcrowded	1
173	Crowding-Need better permitting for lake access to control traffic	overcrowded	1
623	Crowds (boats)	overcrowded	1
404	Excessive volume of boats	overcrowded	1
455	less boats	overcrowded	1
614	Limit motor boats, pontoon boats OK	overcrowded	1
405	Limit Motorized Boats	overcrowded	1
225	limit number of boats	overcrowded	1
18	Limit the number of boats on the lake	overcrowded	1
15	Managing number of boats on the lake	overcrowded	1

Response #	Overcrowded	Category	Qty
495	Many motor boats	overcrowded	1
564	Number of boats on lake	overcrowded	1
387	number of motorized boats	overcrowded	1
247	Number of users	overcrowded	1
134	overcrowded	overcrowded	1
177	overcrowded with boats	overcrowded	1
1	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
16	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
120	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
289	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
428	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
21	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
115	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
198	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
320	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
406	overcrowding by boaters	overcrowded	1
6	overcrowding of boats	overcrowded	1
357	over population of boats	overcrowded	1
194	Over usage	overcrowded	1
239	Over use	overcrowded	1
309	over use	overcrowded	1
559	Over use	overcrowded	1
111	Over-crowding	overcrowded	1
49	Overcrowded	overcrowded	1
249	overcrowded	overcrowded	1
333	Overcrowded	overcrowded	1
581	overcrowded	overcrowded	1
444	overcrowded	overcrowded	1
321	Overcrowded Lake	overcrowded	1
140	overcrowded non-residents	overcrowded	1
26	OVERCROWDED WITH BOATS	overcrowded	1
459	overcrowded with boats	overcrowded	1
81	Overcrowded with motorized vehicles	overcrowded	1
417	overcrowded with watercraft	overcrowded	1
17	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
25	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
48	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
83	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
94	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
95	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
110	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
131	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
153	overcrowding	overcrowded	1

Response #	Overcrowded	Category	Qty
158	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
182	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
252	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
295	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
297	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
339	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
355	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
369	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
372	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
382	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
385	OVERCROWDING	overcrowded	1
411	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
429	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
446	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
450	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
457	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
464	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
510	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
528	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
540	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
550	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
568	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
570	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
585	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
619	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
628	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
20	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
55	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
67	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
91	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
113	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
154	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
180	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
199	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
210	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
281	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
285	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
329	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
377	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
438	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
467	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
179	Overcrowding of boating	overcrowded	1
204	Overcrowding of boats	overcrowded	1

Response #	Overcrowded	Category	Qty
240	overcrowding of motor craft	overcrowded	1
170	Overcrowding with boats	overcrowded	1
181	Overcrowding with watercraft	overcrowded	1
236	Overcrowding/Safety on lakes	overcrowded	1
190	Overcrowding/Traffic	overcrowded	1
518	overpopulation	overcrowded	1
34	Overuse	overcrowded	1
175	Overuse	overcrowded	1
242	Overuse	overcrowded	1
280	Overuse	overcrowded	1
342	Overuse	overcrowded	1
10	overuse of the lake by boaters	overcrowded	1
621	Overuse with watercraft	overcrowded	1
184	Pollution too many motorized bots	overcrowded	1
436	Reducing motorized craft	overcrowded	1
579	Regulate the number of boats on weekends	overcrowded	1
36	Safety and boater congestion	overcrowded	1
133	Safety issues from overcrowding	overcrowded	1
340	to many boats	overcrowded	1
99	To many boats/people	overcrowded	1
413	Too Crowded with boats	overcrowded	1
60	Too many boaters	overcrowded	1
59	Too many boaters	overcrowded	1
74	too many boats	overcrowded	1
84	Too many boats	overcrowded	1
87	Too many boats	overcrowded	1
139	Too many boats	overcrowded	1
165	Too many boats	overcrowded	1
213	Too many boats	overcrowded	1
224	too many boats	overcrowded	1
264	too many boats	overcrowded	1
269	too many boats	overcrowded	1
271	too many boats	overcrowded	1
291	Too many boats	overcrowded	1
310	Too many boats	overcrowded	1
475	Too many boats	overcrowded	1
590	too many boats	overcrowded	1
118	too many motor boats	overcrowded	1
569	Too many motorized boats	overcrowded	1
85	Too many watercraft	overcrowded	1
206	Too much Boating	overcrowded	1
449	Too overcrowded	overcrowded	1
50	Weekends are very busy on the lake	overcrowded	1

Response #	Overcrowded	Category	Qty
178	Overcrowding of boats	overcrowded	1
486	overcrowding on the Lake	overcrowded	1
33	excessive motorized watercraft	overcrowded	1
135	Excess motorized water vehicles (leaking oil and gas into water)	overcrowded	1
147	Traffic	overcrowded	1
163	Traffic	overcrowded	1
222	Need to limits the amount of boats on the lake. Used to enjoy boating here	overcrowded	1
290	Too many high powered boats	overcrowded	1
505	too many dock rentals	overcrowded	1
531	Traffic	overcrowded	1
580	Reduce boat traffic somehow - limit number of boats on lake - I live on the lake - where are all the boats coming from	overcrowded	1
589	Too many high powered boats	overcrowded	1
611	Do not allow more boats. NO MORE DOCKS at Crabby Joes	overcrowded	1
57	Limiting the boats at the ramps	overcrowded	1
69	Over use and pollution	overcrowded	1
148	Boating	overcrowded	1
152	Less recreation	overcrowded	1
201	Over population	overcrowded	1
241	the lake is empty Monday thru mid day Friday. Charge more for public access, or put a cap on how many boats are allowed out from the public lake access point	overcrowded	1
244	Implement restrictions to allow non motorized watercrafts access at	overcrowded	1
481	Over population	overcrowded	1
544	Increase residents means the lake will be more congested	overcrowded	1
612	too many people	overcrowded	1
183			183
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Qty
6	Overuse	overcrowded	1
9	Overcrowding on Weekends	overcrowded	1
10	Limited boat traffic	overcrowded	1
11	limit capacity at launches	overcrowded	1
18	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
36	traffic congestion	overcrowded	1
42	Too many boat	overcrowded	1
52	Crowded neighborhoods	overcrowded	1
60	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
62	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1

Response #	Overcrowded	Category	Qty
63	Controlling watercraft crowding	overcrowded	1
70	Over use by water vehicles	overcrowded	1
72	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
84	Overcrowding (motorized vehicles)	overcrowded	1
85	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
90	too many boats	overcrowded	1
101	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
102	Too many boats	overcrowded	1
104	Safe too many boats	overcrowded	1
105	Motor boating	overcrowded	1
113	Control over usage by boats	overcrowded	1
117	Overcrowding with boats	overcrowded	1
118	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
126	Crowding	overcrowded	1
128	to many motor boats	overcrowded	1
130	Over use	overcrowded	1
131	Excessive boating and crowding	overcrowded	1
142	Overuse	overcrowded	1
185	overcrowded with boats	overcrowded	1
191	too many jet skis and boats	overcrowded	1
196	Volume of boats	overcrowded	1
197	Occasional Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
215	overuse	overcrowded	1
218	Boating	overcrowded	1
220	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
222	Limit watercraft	overcrowded	1
223	Usability	overcrowded	1
232	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
234	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
236	crowding	overcrowded	1
238	Population Increase	overcrowded	1
244	Over use	overcrowded	1
245	Watercraft Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
249	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
254	crowding	overcrowded	1
263	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
266	number of craft	overcrowded	1
278	limit Number of boats	overcrowded	1
283	overcrowded	overcrowded	1
285	Too many boats on the lake	overcrowded	1
289	No more boat rentals	overcrowded	1
292	Too many motorized boats	overcrowded	1
293	overcrowded	overcrowded	1

Response #	Overcrowded	Category	Qty
297	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
300	Crowded for size of lake	overcrowded	1
302	Overcrowded	overcrowded	1
304	Excess Motor boat traffic	overcrowded	1
305	Number of watercraft	overcrowded	1
307	Usage	overcrowded	1
315	Maintaining healthy amount of lake traffic	overcrowded	1
319	Crowding	overcrowded	1
330	number of dock spaces	overcrowded	1
332	Traffic	overcrowded	1
333	Over population/use	overcrowded	1
351	Overcrowding/noise on lake	overcrowded	1
353	Boat traffic	overcrowded	1
355	overcrowding, parking on S Longyard hiking trails	overcrowded	1
361	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
374	preventing boat overcrowding	overcrowded	1
377	motorized watercraft overcrowding	overcrowded	1
378	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
379	Avoiding overcrowding on the lake . Limit drop ins	overcrowded	1
380	jet skis	overcrowded	1
386	Decrease population	overcrowded	1
410	overcrowded housing around the lake	overcrowded	1
411	Overcrowding on weekends	overcrowded	1
419	Places with less or no motorized watercraft	overcrowded	1
425	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
429	Many jet skis	overcrowded	1
431	Overcrowding with watercraft	overcrowded	1
436	jet skis	overcrowded	1
441	overcrowded lake	overcrowded	1
442	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
443	Lack of volunteers	overcrowded	1
444	too many boats on the lake	overcrowded	1
450	too many boats etc.	overcrowded	1
453	increase in boat size and numbers	overcrowded	1
459	Population Size	overcrowded	1
460	Too many motorized vehicles	overcrowded	1
461	Amounts of motorized boats	overcrowded	1
463	eliminate motor craft	overcrowded	1
467	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
473	Docks	overcrowded	1
476	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
477	traffic congestion	overcrowded	1
478	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1

Response #	Overcrowded	Category	Qty
486	overcrowded	overcrowded	1
487	Overcrowding of the lake due to out of town boating	overcrowded	1
514	Keep a cap on future watercraft - no more than normal as we have now	overcrowded	1
515	Limiting number of boats on the lake	overcrowded	1
517	Use motors 1 hour a day	overcrowded	1
523	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
528	Boat traffic	overcrowded	1
533	Canoes OK, row boats OK	overcrowded	1
535	Overcrowding on Saturdays and Sundays - Educate boaters, maybe raise	overcrowded	1
537	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
26	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
28	Boating traffic	overcrowded	1
175	Overdevelopment of the shore line	overcrowded	1
358	Reducing motorized water craft	overcrowded	1
			110
Option 3			
Response #	Response	Overcrowded	Qty
2	public safety due to overcrowded boating	overcrowded	1
9	Limited jet skis	overcrowded	1
32	People wanting more docks	overcrowded	1
46	Designated areas for paddle only craft	overcrowded	1
53	boat traffic	overcrowded	1
63	Lake has become inhospitable to kayaking and canoes	overcrowded	1
66	Lake boat overcrowding	overcrowded	1
87	Traffic	overcrowded	1
88	Traffic on water	overcrowded	1
101	Overcrowded	overcrowded	1
105	Limit boats allowed	overcrowded	1
109	Over use / Over subscription as the masses from municipalities all around Southwick flock to Southwick to avoid the "Progress within their own communities".	overcrowded	1
116	to many boats on lake	overcrowded	1
117	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
122	Personal water crafts	overcrowded	1
127	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
130	Boating on Kings B+B365each	overcrowded	1
132	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
139	Too much watercraft trailering in	overcrowded	1
160	Controlling number of users	overcrowded	1
172	to many boats on lake	overcrowded	1
174	Reduce Heavy Boat Use	overcrowded	1

Response #	Overcrowded	Category	Qty
175	crowding	overcrowded	1
190	too many boats	overcrowded	1
191	Overuse	overcrowded	1
199	Traffic	overcrowded	1
202	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
203	Too many boats	overcrowded	1
207	overcrowding of water craft	overcrowded	1
209	Controlling the number of watercraft on the lake. There are far too many boats on the lake especially on weekends.	overcrowded	1
210	Boating non-motorized, kayaks	overcrowded	1
217	North Pond watercraft	overcrowded	1
224	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
231	Crowding on North Pond	overcrowded	1
242	Marinas and personal docks	overcrowded	1
244	dock usage	overcrowded	1
267	traffic out of town boats	overcrowded	1
269	Overcrowded Lakes	overcrowded	1
274	Boats	overcrowded	1
276	more limits to Jet Skis	overcrowded	1
277	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
287	Decrease amt of boats	overcrowded	1
292	less people	overcrowded	1
295	Limit motor boats on the lake	overcrowded	1
296	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
297	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
299	Crowded	overcrowded	1
305	The lake is to small for jet skis and boats now. More of both will cause problems later.	overcrowded	1
306	Crowd Control	overcrowded	1
309	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
315	overcrowding during tourist season	overcrowded	1
335	too many watercrafts	overcrowded	1
338	boating for everyone	overcrowded	1
341	Over human population use issues	overcrowded	1
344	over use	overcrowded	1
369	Limit boats middle pond	overcrowded	1
377	Watercraft	overcrowded	1
380	Density of boat traffic	overcrowded	1
381	Traffic congestion	overcrowded	1
384	no more personal water crafts	overcrowded	1
390	Overcrowding	overcrowded	1
392	Controlling the amount of watercraft allowed (Southwick residence priority)	overcrowded	1

Response #	Overcrowded	Category	Qty
393	Overcrowding on the water	overcrowded	1
401	overcrowding	overcrowded	1
			64

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Lake Water Quality	Category	Qty
	Option 1		
9	Water quality	water quality	1
13	Clean water	water quality	1
22	Contaminants	water quality	1
30	Cleanliness	water quality	1
39	Maintaining water quality	water quality	1
41	Poor water quality	water quality	1
44	Keeping clean	water quality	1
52	Water quality	water quality	1
56	Water quality	water quality	1
64	Cleaning	water quality	1
65	Water quality	water quality	1
71	Water quality	water quality	1
77	Maintaining water quality	water quality	1
79	Maintaining cleanliness	water quality	1
89	clean water	water quality	1
90	Keeping the lake clean	water quality	1
92	Keeping it clean	water quality	1
117	preserving water quality and having foresight for increases in	water quality	1
123	Clean water	water quality	1
125	Clean water	water quality	1
128	Clean water	water quality	1
130	Cleanliness	water quality	1
136	Cleanliness is awful	water quality	1
141	Water quality	water quality	1
145	Keeping water clean.	water quality	1
162	Keeping restaurants from closing down	water quality	1
164	Polluted waterways	water quality	1
169	water quality	water quality	1
171	Clean water	water quality	1
186	Keeping it clean	water quality	1

Response #	Water Quality	Category	Qty
188	cleanliness	water quality	1
189	Water quality	water quality	1
192	Cleaner water	water quality	1
193	Water Quality	water quality	1
195	Water quality	water quality	1
200	Water quality	water quality	1
211	Cleanliness	water quality	1
216	Clean lakes	water quality	1
229	Water quality	water quality	1
235	Water quality	water quality	1
237	water quality	water quality	1
248	Sustainability	water quality	1
253	Contamination	water quality	1
255	Keeping the water clean	water quality	1
258	cleanliness	water quality	1
261	Clean water	water quality	1
262	Cleanliness	water quality	1
263	keeping lake clean	water quality	1
266	Water quality	water quality	1
270	keeping the lakes clean	water quality	1
274	cleanliness	water quality	1
277	water quality	water quality	1
282	Water Quality	water quality	1
296	Water quality	water quality	1
303	Water Quality	water quality	1
311	Water quality	water quality	1
312	water quality	water quality	1
318	Water quality	water quality	1
324	Water quality	water quality	1
326	Clean water, there are too many harmful organisms in all the lakes now.	water quality	1
327	Water purity	water quality	1
331	Keep the water clean	water quality	1
334	Water quality	water quality	1
338	Quality of water	water quality	1
346	Water Quality	water quality	1
347	Cleaner water	water quality	1
362	Water Quality	water quality	1
365	Clean water	water quality	1
366	water quality	water quality	1
379	Clean water	water quality	1
380	water quality	water quality	1

Response #	Water Quality	Category	Qty
389	Clean Water	water quality	1
398	Water quality	water quality	1
409	water quality	water quality	1
416	Water quality	water quality	1
420	Cleanliness	water quality	1
421	water quality	water quality	1
424	Cleanliness Of Water	water quality	1
426	Water quality	water quality	1
430	Cleaning Efforts	water quality	1
432	clean water	water quality	1
433	Clean water maintenance	water quality	1
434	ensuring clean water	water quality	1
441	Maintaining water quality	water quality	1
447	Clean water	water quality	1
448	Clean it	water quality	1
453	Water quality	water quality	1
458	water quality	water quality	1
460	Water quality	water quality	1
461	Water quality	water quality	1
470	Quality of the water	water quality	1
471	Keeping it clean	water quality	1
482	Improving the water quality	water quality	1
485	Better water quality	water quality	1
491	Cleanliness	water quality	1
493	cleaning the water up more	water quality	1
502	water quality	water quality	1
504	Maintaining Water quality	water quality	1
512	Poor water condition	water quality	1
515	Polluted water	water quality	1
516	Water quality	water quality	1
517	Water quality	water quality	1
520	water quality	water quality	1
523	clean water	water quality	1
525	water quality	water quality	1
526	Water quality	water quality	1
530	Water quality	water quality	1
532	Water quality	water quality	1
533	Water quality	water quality	1
534	water quality	water quality	1
535	improving water quality	water quality	1
537	water quality	water quality	1
545	Water quality	water quality	1

Response #	Water Quality	Category	Qty
29	Water quality	water quality	1
31	Effective management of water quality	water quality	1
37	Make water quality better	water quality	1
94	Continued improvement of water quality	water quality	1
97	water quality	water quality	1
99	Debris under water	water quality	1
103	The water quality is likely declining	water quality	1
106	Cleanliness	water quality	1
116	Keeping it clean	water quality	1
139	Water quality	water quality	1
150	Water quality	water quality	1
156	Dirty water	water quality	1
188	Water quality	water quality	1
202	Maintaining water quality	water quality	1
210	Water quality	water quality	1
211	Water quality	water quality	1
235	Water Quality	water quality	1
240	Water Ecology	water quality	1
248	Water cleanliness	water quality	1
260	water is dirty	water quality	1
268	Water cleanliness	water quality	1
272	cleanliness	water quality	1
288	clean up the lake	water quality	1
296	Cleanliness	water quality	1
298	Water quality	water quality	1
303	water quality of the lake	water quality	1
309	water quality	water quality	1
324	trash in water	water quality	1
325	water quality	water quality	1
342	maintain water quality	water quality	1
344	water quality and safety	water quality	1
345	water quality	water quality	1
346	water quality	water quality	1
347	water quality	water quality	1
348	Water Quality	water quality	1
349	water quality	water quality	1
354	quality of water	water quality	1
363	Clean water	water quality	1
366	Water quality	water quality	1
368	Water quality/pollution	water quality	1
373	clean water	water quality	1
375	Cleaning water to make it swimmable	water quality	1

Response #	Water Quality	Category	Qty
381	Assure water quality i.e.: e-coli, other bacteria, algae, etc. keep within non-toxic acceptable levels in	water quality	1
382	cleanliness	water quality	1
383	Water quality	water quality	1
384	safe water for swimming	water quality	1
387	Clean water	water quality	1
409	water quality	water quality	1
415	Water quality	water quality	1
420	Water quality of Lake	water quality	1
448	Water Quality	water quality	1
456	Water quality	water quality	1
469	Water quality	water quality	1
484	clean water for MORE swimming	water quality	1
494	Clean water for better swimming	water quality	1
510	Water quality	water quality	1
529	MAINTAIN CLEAN, CLEAR WATER	water quality	1
536	water quality	water quality	1
541	Water quality	water quality	1
544	water quality	water quality	1
			66
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Qty
37	Keeping the lake clean and invasive weeds/species out.	water quality	1
41	Keeping the lakes clean	water quality	1
50	Water quality/litter	water quality	1
62	Cleaning lake	water quality	1
70	water quality	water quality	1
73	water quality	water quality	1
76	Water quality	water quality	1
92	cleanliness	water quality	1
94	Water quality	water quality	1
96	keeping water clean	water quality	1
110	Water quality issues	water quality	1
111	Water Quality	water quality	1
112	water quality	water quality	1
113	water quality	water quality	1
138	Water quality improvement	water quality	1
149	Water quality	water quality	1
168	water quality	water quality	1
173	Water quality	water quality	1

Response #	Water Quality	Category	Qty
177	Water Quality	water quality	1
186	Water quality	water quality	1
188	Water quality	water quality	1
193	Maintaining good water quality & improving public accessibility.	water quality	1
195	water quality	water quality	1
250	Clean water	water quality	1
263	Water quality, trash and sanitation of the lakes and surrounding areas	water quality	1
280	clean water	water quality	1
293	water quality	water quality	1
294	water quality	water quality	1
311	Cleanliness of water	water quality	1
324	water quality	water quality	1
336	quality of water	water quality	1
356	water quality	water quality	1
379	water quality	water quality	1
409	improve water quality	water quality	1
			34

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Pollution Option 1	Category	Qty
7	Need sewers in Suffield	pollution	1
86	Water pollution	pollution	1
100	Salt pollution from winter salting of roads	pollution	1
107	eutrophication from fertilizer	pollution	1
122	Indecorous treatment of beaches by non residents	pollution	1
144	Water purity/pollutants	pollution	1
155	Pollution	pollution	1
156	Pollution	pollution	1
159	water pollution	pollution	1
168	Pollution	pollution	1
212	Pollution	pollution	1
231	Water Quality/Pollution	pollution	1
233	Pollution from boats	pollution	1
246	Water pollution	pollution	1
272	Pollution and water quality issues	pollution	1
284	pollution	pollution	1
287	Pollution	pollution	1
293	Restore the lake water quality to potable quality and stop the use of gas motors on the lake and eliminate pollution from septic systems and lawn chemicals	pollution	1
313	pollution	pollution	1
336	Pollution	pollution	1
344	Pollution	pollution	1
368	drainage into lakes from nitrates	pollution	1
375	regulate for pollution	pollution	1
376	Pollution	pollution	1
384	pollution	pollution	1
410	Pollution	pollution	1
415	Water Pollution	pollution	1
439	pollution	pollution	1
440	pollution	pollution	1
463	Pollution	pollution	1
466	Pollution	pollution	1

Response #	Pollution	Category	Qty
469	Pollution	pollution	1
477	Dirty/contaminated water	pollution	1
480	Pollution in and around the lake	pollution	1
487	Pollution	pollution	1
490	pollution	pollution	1
494	Dirty Polluted water	pollution	1
498	Pollution via watercraft and other chemicals	pollution	1
499	Pollution	pollution	1
503	water pollution	pollution	1
513	Pollution	pollution	1
521	houses and their run-off of herbicides, fertilizers	pollution	1
536	gas motors	pollution	1
539	Pollution	pollution	1
542	Gas motors	pollution	1
551	Pollution	pollution	1
577	Water pollution	pollution	1
598	pollution	pollution	1
615	Agricultural and street drainage runoff	pollution	1
			49
	Option 2		
Response #	Response	Pollution	Response Qty
25	pollution from too many motorized boats	pollution	1
41	Control pollution	pollution	1
49	Pollution	pollution	1
78	Pollution	pollution	1
93	Pollution	pollution	1
109	environmental pollution	pollution	1
146	Managing pesticides/other chemicals	pollution	1
148	Pollution	pollution	1
164	Drains that go directly into the lake	pollution	1
179	Pollution	pollution	1
192	pollution	pollution	1
195	People polluting the lake while lakeside or on their watercraft	pollution	1
219	Pollution	pollution	1
239	pollution	pollution	1
277	Pollution	pollution	1
284	Contamination	pollution	1
286	Health of fish	pollution	1
301	Run off	pollution	1
308	Pollution	pollution	1
316	polluters	pollution	1
343	water contamination	pollution	1

Response #	Pollution	Category	Qty
360	Nitrogen erosion into water	pollution	1
369	Pollution	pollution	1
391	less pollution	pollution	1
399	Sedimentation	pollution	1
401	Pollution	pollution	1
408	boating/pollution	pollution	1
412	Lake Pollution	pollution	1
430	Pollution	pollution	1
437	pollution	pollution	1
439	Pollution	pollution	1
466	Pollution/run off	pollution	1
468	Water from homeowners yards polluting the lake	pollution	1
489	Pollution	pollution	1
493	water pollution from boast	pollution	1
496	Pollution	pollution	1
524	Contamination	pollution	1
527	Pollution from runoff	pollution	1
534	Unregulated chemicals and fertilizers for lawns	pollution	1
271	Agriculture	pollution	1
539	Pollution	pollution	1
			41
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Pollution	Response Qty
8	Pollution from non Boaters	pollution	1
18	Pollution by people who are not invested in the lake (non residents)	pollution	1
23	Pollution	pollution	1
26	Pollution	pollution	1
42	Pollution	pollution	1
52	Pollution	pollution	1
58	Pollution	pollution	1
59	Pollution/trash in the new area owned by town on North Pond	pollution	1
60	Pollution	pollution	1
69	runoff of fertilizers, pesticides, and other pollution	pollution	1
80	Pollution	pollution	1
93	Pollution	pollution	1
114	Pollution	pollution	1
118	Pollution	pollution	1
164	too much pollution in the bottom of the lake	pollution	1
179	Pollution	pollution	1
222	Pollution	pollution	1

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Policing Option 1	Category	# of Responses
214	Keeping visitors in line with the rules and not polluting	policing	1
228	People drinking and piloting water craft	policing	1
279	Policing the use of alcohol while operating watercraft	policing	1
283	regulation of traffic on lakes	policing	1
317	Keep idiots off the lake	policing	1
24	Boating is getting out of control	policing	1
40	The management of the now Town owned property on North Pond	policing	1
45	Not enough police on holidays	policing	1
53	Crazy boating lack of authority presence	policing	1
75	No enforcement of rules	policing	1
126	Crowding	policing	1
160	Safety of people/ strictly enforcing rules	policing	1
185	crowd control	policing	1
367	Fd boat manned during heavy traffic times	policing	1
373	speedboats	policing	1
388	Speed of boats	policing	1
435	More Police presence on the lake	policing	1
442	speeds of boats	policing	1
452	control of watercraft	policing	1
468	Bad reputation/Drunk driving	policing	1
479	Boating Speeds	policing	1
508	Stop alcohol use on the lakes	policing	1
509	Over-use by speed boats and alcohol users	policing	1
560	Erratic boat operation	policing	1
582	only registered boats	policing	1
591	Controlling speed of boaters	policing	1
605	Alcohol drug over indulgence	policing	1
610	SPEED OF BOATS	policing	1
616	Figure out a way to somehow control/regulate the North Pond Conservation Area	policing	1
629	speeding motor boats	policing	1
226	trash, uprooting of vegetation and loud music played: all done by people accessing wildlife refuge at North Pond	policing	1

Response #	Policing	Category	# of Responses
238	Managing overuse	policing	1
319	Use of town north pond land	policing	1
407	Keeping potential revenue from boaters IN Southwick	policing	1
408	North Pond access/regulating	policing	1
414	Do something with the North Pond land	policing	1
			36
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		# of Responses
5	Too many partyers	policing	1
40	North Pond is not policed enough	policing	1
47	Too many inebriated boaters	policing	1
51	Not enough law enforcement	policing	1
67	Unruly visiting boaters	policing	1
82	Lack of law enforcement	policing	1
87	Drunk driving	policing	1
88	Reckless jet skis	policing	1
91	Policing of lakes	policing	1
107	More regulation of boaters	policing	1
140	Drunks	policing	1
154	Compliance with regulations (watercraft safety, posted rules like No Wake Zones, noise & boat size restrictions))	policing	1
160	Poor regulation and poor enforcement on boaters who violate policy's and laws	policing	1
189	Not obeying laws, signage	policing	1
209	Injuries due to speed boats	policing	1
225	not policed enough/ticketed enough	policing	1
243	Excessive speed on the lakes	policing	1
258	put more police on lake	policing	1
261	Boat traffic management	policing	1
264	Drunk driving	policing	1
265	Carelessness and accidents on lakes due to not enough police presence	policing	1
274	Intoxicated boat operators	policing	1
279	Increased police patrol on water	policing	1
280	drunk red necks	policing	1
313	Excessive Drinking while boating	policing	1
314	rude jet-skiers	policing	1
335	monitoring lake traffic	policing	1

Response #	Policing	Category	# of Responses
362	controlling recreational vehicles	policing	1
376	Alcohol control	policing	1
385	control boating	policing	1
433	Ensure that harbormaster has a presence to ensure safety and compliance	policing	1
465	control of boating	policing	1
471	Reckless drivers on the lake (driving too fast close to other boats or in small areas like North Pond)	policing	1
480	Overcrowded and people don't follow common boating rules. Police need to actually enforce the rules and issue citations for repeat offenders. Training for the police.	policing	1
488	Distracted boaters	policing	1
495	safety enforcement	policing	1
95	abuse of conservation land shore	policing	
525	Drug issues North Pond area	policing	1
			37
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		# of Responses
10	Keep the speed limit down	policing	1
12	Dangerous activity	policing	1
21	Boat speeds	policing	1
34	Boating rule enforcement	policing	1
40	Increase safety and regulatory enforcement	policing	1
55	drinking/boat use	policing	1
89	Out of towners not practicing boat safety	policing	1
90	Intoxicated boaters	policing	1
103	Monitoring of lake use	policing	1
104	cost of law enforcement/ safety equipment	policing	1
129	Irresponsible boaters	policing	1
140	unsafe boating practices from those not familiar with the lakes and traffic patterns - basic boating safety	policing	1
147	idiot motorboat drivers	policing	1
155	police being able to be present	policing	1
159	Distracted/drunk/dangerous boater behavior	policing	1
161	Stronger police surveillance	policing	1
162	Reckless boat operators	policing	1
178	drunk boat owners/divers	policing	1
180	Boat speeds (especially during no-wake periods)	policing	1
181	More police presence is needed	policing	1

Response #	Policing	Category	# of Responses
182	Alcohol Use on the Water	policing	1
183	lack of educated/licensed boat operators	policing	1
184	Unchecked unsafe boating practices	policing	1
185	Not enough police presence on the water	policing	1
204	No Boating Safety Required	policing	1
208	Inexperienced operators from outside Southwick	policing	1
236	control motorized watercraft	policing	1
256	Patrol who educates / fines clueless boat operators	policing	1
271	Police presence on the Lake	policing	1
283	Patrolling boat traffic especially on weekends. Require boat license	policing	1
325	enforce boating regulations	policing	1
348	DUI	policing	1
353	More patrols to manage safety rules, especially making sure EVERYONE wears life jackets and NO ONE speeds	policing	1
361	monitor boats=middle pond	policing	1
362	Too many uneducated boaters and no rule enforcement. Boaters generally have very little knowledge of boating and lake rules. The police, when on the lake, which is rare do not enforce the counter clockwise direction, or much of anything for that matter. Now that Bob isn't doing the patrols there is no relationship between boaters and police. Boaters regularly drive too close to other boats at high speeds or cut off boats appropriately pulling skiers in the counter clockwise direction.	policing	1
386	Safety patrols	policing	1
395	Motorboat speed operation, need kayak and sail boat operation	policing	1
399	more oversight to ensure adherence to state and local ordinances	policing	1
			38

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Weed Control	Category	# of Responses
Option 1			
31	Weed control	weed control	1
88	Weed control	weed control	1
108	Invasive and algae control	weed control	1
114	invasive weed control	weed control	1
157	weeds/algae	weed control	1
187	Muck and Weed control	weed control	1
217	invasive plants/bacteria	weed control	1
218	Cleaning up the weeds	weed control	1
256	Weed growth	weed control	1
300	Weed control	weed control	1
302	invasive plants	weed control	1
335	Invasive weeds	weed control	1
390	Weed control	weed control	1
400	weed control	weed control	1
427	Weed control	weed control	1
483	Weed management	weed control	1
524	lack of funding to maintain and manage needs	weed control	1
527	Invasive weeds	weed control	1
529	Weeds	weed control	1
			19
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
73	weed control	weed control	1
75	Weeds in the water	weed control	1
79	invasive species	weed control	1
83	Invasive weeds	weed control	1
92	invasive weeds	weed control	1
100	weed control	weed control	1
110	Invasive species	weed control	1

Response #	Weed Control	Category	# of Responses
206	weed control	weed control	1
214	Invasive weeds	weed control	1
216	Invasive weeds	weed control	1
225	Weed control	weed control	1
245	controlling weeds	weed control	1
260	weeds	weed control	1
273	weed control	weed control	1
282	weed control	weed control	1
291	Weeds	weed control	1
300	Invasive species	weed control	1
320	Overgrown weeds	weed control	1
357	Invasive weeds	weed control	1
378	Weed control	weed control	1
385	Keeping invasives out	weed control	1
397	Control of invasive species from boat launches	weed control	1
			17

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Lake Safety	Category	# of Responses
	Option 1		
119	Safety	safety	1
127	Safety	safety	1
215	Boat safety-drownings	safety	1
243	Safety	safety	1
250	Safety	safety	1
254	Safety	safety	1
268	Safety	safety	1
275	Safety	safety	1
276	Safety (People have lost their lives on that lake)	safety	1
288	Water Safety	safety	1
323	safety	safety	1
349	Safety	safety	1
359	Safety for all users	safety	1
386	Safety	safety	1
391	Water quality/safety	safety	1
109	Boater safety	safety	1
202	unexperienced boaters	safety	1
251	unexperienced boaters	safety	1
332	dangerous water	safety	1
586	Power boats, canoes and kayaks are an impossible mix. Powerboats win the horsepower race. Most of the non motorized craft people avoid Congamond. Where's the justice in that? Which population of boatowners support local business the most? (I have no idea)	safety	1
			20
	Option 2		
Response #	Response	Safety	# of Responses
48	Untrained boaters	safety	1

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Response #	Safety	Category	# of Responses
142	Too many emergency service calls being used by people who cannot safely recreate on the lake	safety	1
150	Safety	safety	1
163	watercraft safety	safety	1
169	safety on the water	safety	1
196	safety	safety	1
213	dangerous water	safety	1
228	Unsafe water conditions	safety	1
266	swimming safety	safety	1
332	accidents	safety	1
354	Boat Safety	safety	1
			16

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Lake Overdeveloped	Category	# of Responses
	Option 1		
522	Over development. additions, expansions	overdeveloped	1
538	Overdevelopment	overdeveloped	1
571	overdevelopment	overdeveloped	1
4	Over Development	overdeveloped	1
29	overdeveloped	overdeveloped	1
35	Controlled growth	overdeveloped	1
47	Shore overcrowded with housing	overdeveloped	1
101	Overdevelopment	overdeveloped	1
112	Limit development along lake	overdeveloped	1
116	over development. small cabins housed fewer people than the large home being built now, this creates overcrowding	overdeveloped	1
151	Overdevelopment	overdeveloped	1
172	Managing development	overdeveloped	1
220	Overdevelopment	overdeveloped	1
292	Over development	overdeveloped	1
316	development	overdeveloped	1
322	Growth	overdeveloped	1
337	Over population	overdeveloped	1
361	Too much new Housing	overdeveloped	1
423	Houses	overdeveloped	1
484	over development	overdeveloped	1
392	development around the lake	overdeveloped	1
80	Stop building on lake	overdeveloped	1
			22
	Option 2		
Response #	Response		# of Responses
35	Developers	overdeveloped	1

Response #	Overdeveloped	Category	# of Responses
349	Growth	overdeveloped	1
			16

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Litter Option 1	Category	# of Responses
14	trash on North Pond	litter	1
96	lack of trash cans	litter	1
103	Littering	litter	1
142	trash / littering	litter	1
221	Littering	litter	1
230	Keeping it clean of trash/debris	litter	1
259	Littering	litter	1
314	Litter	litter	1
315	Litter caused by boaters and hikers in conservation land	litter	1
325	Littering/dumping	litter	1
465	Trash left	litter	1
587	Littering/Pollution	litter	1
607	No cleanup of protected wet land	litter	1
			13
Response #	Response	Category	# of Responses
32	People littering or abusing the lake	litter	1
44	North Pond area where boats collect.. trash occurs	litter	1
50	People leaving junk/trash behind in some places where they shouldn't (like north pond or the kayak launch areas). The majority of people are respectful, but there's always a few who aren't. Having some sort of budget line item that designates funds to keep those spaces cleaned up might be helpful. We'll never stop those people from dumping or leaving things.	litter	1
81	Outsiders litter because not their problem	litter	1
144	Trash at public areas	litter	1
171	Litter	litter	1
173	littering/bathroom stops on shore without cleaning up after themselves	litter	1

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Non-Residents	Category	# of Responses
Option 1			
597	Out of town usage	non-residents	1
472	Remove the state boat ramp and limit access to town residents only	non-residents	1
27	Out of town overcrowding and partying on the lake. Makes town people less likely to use the lake.	non-residents	1
37	Too much Out of town use	non-residents	1
43	Not enough slips for residents only	non-residents	1
124	Too many out of towners coming into the lake and not knowing how to use a boat	non-residents	1
58	Out of towners being disrespectful or irresponsible with motorized craft. However there are some in towners that are as well.	non-residents	1
61	Out of town users	non-residents	1
62	Out of town users	non-residents	1
98	Outsider boats	non-residents	1
149	Out of towners	non-residents	1
174	Keeping it only to residents to allow boats there to be docked	non-residents	1
176	Non-resident impacts	non-residents	1
207	Priority should be given to people living on the lake.	non-residents	1
232	CT Boaters on our ramps	non-residents	1
267	Southwick residents should get first priority of usage	non-residents	1
328	Out of state boaters	non-residents	1
353	Visitors from out of town on jet skis	non-residents	1
			18
Option 2			
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
1	Use by non-residents	non-residents	1
53	Out of town users	non-residents	1
55	Reduce non- resident access to the lake	non-residents	1

Response #	Non-Residents	Category	# of Responses
57	Out of town guests not caring for Lake and shoreline (northbound beach area)	non-residents	1
68	Out of towners litter beaches	non-residents	1
124	Out of towners trashing the place	non-residents	1
159	out of town visitors	non-residents	1
233	out of town visitors	non-residents	1
262	too many out-of-towners	non-residents	1
311	less out of towners	non-residents	1
365	Less Riff Raff Outside Boaters Disrupting	non-residents	1
390	Limiting non residents	non-residents	1
424	not enough business coming in from outsiders	non-residents	1
464	too many out of town craft	non-residents	1
470	Too many out of towners	non-residents	1
507	only Mass residents	non-residents	1
512	only Mass residents/more policing	non-residents	1
531	should be for town residents by permit	non-residents	1
532	too crowded by non-residents	non-residents	1
			19
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
5	Out of town residents should pay more	non-residents	1
38	Out of town users	non-residents	1
85	city residents	non-residents	1
100	Whacko' out of towners	non-residents	1
131	Too many people from out of town	non-residents	1
143	Southwick ramps should be for MA residents. MA residents cannot access Suffield park. CT should have ramp on S Pond.	non-residents	1
219	restrict to town residents	non-residents	1
220	Exclusivity	non-residents	1
290	Limiting non-resident usage	non-residents	1
337	town outsiders not respecting our resources	non-residents	1
394	Non-resident overuse of lake	non-residents	1
403	Out-of-town people	non-residents	1
			12

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Conservation/Environmental	Category	# of Responses
Option 1			
363	Drought	Conservation/Environmental	1
167	town water supply	Conservation/Environmental	1
205	Protecting conservation	Conservation/Environmental	1
397	North Pond preservation land access	Conservation/Environmental	1
399	keeping a natural habitat for wildlife	Conservation/Environmental	1
401	ecologic conservation	Conservation/Environmental	1
488	Telling homeowners they cannot cut down their own trees on their property.	Conservation/Environmental	1
617	protecting the conservation area	Conservation/Environmental	1
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Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
59	Fish and wildlife health. The fish look awful (chemicals?)	Conservation/Environmental	1
216	Maintain natural beauty	Conservation/Environmental	1
224	wildlife on the lake	Conservation/Environmental	1
434	healthy wildlife	Conservation/Environmental	1
452	fish and wildlife	Conservation/Environmental	1
491	Conservation land use	Conservation/Environmental	1
30	Protect agriculture	Conservation/Environmental	1
98	drought	Conservation/Environmental	1
206	Climate change	Conservation/Environmental	1
402	Drought	Conservation/Environmental	1
455	Invasive animals	Conservation/Environmental	1
497	climate change	Conservation/Environmental	1
267	Erosion	Conservation/Environmental	1
542	losing character	Conservation/Environmental	1
			14

Response #	Conservation/Environmental	Category	# of Responses
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
6	Preserving habitat	Conservation/Environmental	1
15	Erosion	Conservation/Environmental	1
20	wildlife protection	Conservation/Environmental	1
45	Drought	Conservation/Environmental	1
72	flood	Conservation/Environmental	1
78	natural habitat loss	Conservation/Environmental	1
144	Climate change	Conservation/Environmental	1
154	geese	Conservation/Environmental	1
187	Environmental issues	Conservation/Environmental	1
234	wildlife	Conservation/Environmental	1
238	Keeping ecosystem healthy	Conservation/Environmental	1
243	Preserving open space	Conservation/Environmental	1
284	Enforce boat, dock, raft registration to help control use, support lake maintenance	Conservation/Environmental	1
288	Climate Change efforts	Conservation/Environmental	1
189	North Pond Kings Beach	Conservation/Environmental	1
227	Water warming	Conservation/Environmental	1
322	Rising temperatures will make lake unhealthy at points for human usage and may impact wildlife too (e.g. recent e. Coli issue in summer 2022)	Conservation/Environmental	1
363	Climate change	Conservation/Environmental	1
148	add a port a potty or public bathroom in same area on the far reaches of North Pond	Conservation/Environmental	1
370	shoreline erosion	Conservation/Environmental	1
371	Wildlife threats due to the above	Conservation/Environmental	1
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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Lake Access	Category	# of Responses
Option 1			
46	Access to canoes/kayaks/non-motorized water craft	lake access	1
68	It is for a minority of residents. Most of us have minimal access.	lake access	1
70	Public access areas	lake access	1
73	More public access	lake access	1
93	free access	lake access	1
260	Public access to lake	lake access	1
299	more community access for kayaks/canoes.	lake access	1
445	Available boat launches	lake access	1
497	Access	lake access	1
511	Public access	lake access	1
541	Access	lake access	1
555	More kayaking options	lake access	1
625	Public Access	lake access	1
506	Opening lake resources to non-boat owners	lake access	1
234	Better public south boat launch	lake access	1
			15
Option 2			
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
74	Providing additional public boat docks	lake access	1
205	Build public access to walk down to the far side of north pond	lake access	1
226	Public access	lake access	1
251	North Pond public access	lake access	1
252	Access to lake	lake access	1
257	Not enough options for residents who don't have lakefront properties to enjoy the lake.	lake access	1
295	More public access	lake access	1
328	PUBLIC ACCESS	lake access	1

Response #	Lake Access	Category	# of Responses
341	Lake access	lake access	1
350	Maintaining public access to the lakes	lake access	1
367	Lake access for swimming/recreation	lake access	1
392	accessibility	lake access	1
394	access to boat ramps	lake access	1
413	Public Access such as a non motorized boat ramp	lake access	1
462	access	lake access	1
520	ACCESS	lake access	1
			16
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
31	More access for town residents to get a slip	lake access	1
	Need bigger space to access lake . Too crowded with		
75	Restaurant and boats	lake access	1
157	access	lake access	1
192	Boat access	lake access	1
197	Public access for non-motor boating	lake access	1
240	More access needed	lake access	1
249	Access	lake access	1
304	Accessible	lake access	1
326	access for all abilities	lake access	1
408	access	lake access	1
355	accessibility	lake access	1
376	Improve boat landing	lake access	1
			12

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	All Other	Category	# of Responses
	Option 1		
72	Residents being too possessive over lake activities	all other	1
82	We don't know the long term problems from treating the lake for invasive weeds	all other	1
106	Education system needs improvement-concentration on math, reading, writing and science	all other	1
146	Vandalism / Theft	all other	1
191	Karen's thinking they own it.	all other	1
197	public perception that the lake is dirty	all other	1
208	people that think they own it	all other	1
219	Development	all other	1
306	This comment was changed as it was inappropriate	all other	1
395	It needs to be made more attractive for water sports	all other	1
451	keeping it family friendly	all other	1
		all other	
462	real estate cost increase	all other	1
594	No interest in lake	all other	1
596	Have the rich buy a canoe	all other	1
622	Rezone to keep out heavy industrial growth	all other	1
			15
	Option 2		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
326	None	all other	1
24	Karen's	all other	1
96	NO place to store boats	all other	1
143	adjacent land use	all other	1
338	It has a bad reputation amongst young locals	all other	1
540	Another well is needed	all other	1
			6

Response #	All Other	Category	# of Responses
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
67	construction	all other	1
106	Educating residents	all other	1
145	Water levels	all other	1
146	Keeping heavy industry from the town	all other	1
246	None	all other	1
255	changing government structurer	all other	1
298	Crime	all other	1
302	Treasonous Trump supporters	all other	1
321	Water levels	all other	1
368	lack of interest in lake	all other	1
374	Water usage	all other	1
400	Overdrawing from the aquifer	all other	1
406	property values due to zone changes	all other	1
			13

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Beach Issues	Category	# of Responses
Option 1			
307	Public beach	beaches	1
102	Beach seems dirty	beaches	1
278	Maintaining a clean beachfront	beaches	1
341	Only a single public beach	beaches	1
412	improved beaches & swim areas	beaches	1
			5

Option 2

Response #	Response		# of Responses
80	Dirty perception of public beaches	beaches	1
86	More room to swim	beaches	1
145	Clean up beach	beaches	1
168	public perception that that beach is gross	beaches	1
170	Public access to swimming areas	beaches	1
193	develop a thriving town beach	beaches	1
276	Swimming	beaches	1
281	No Beach for Public Use	beaches	1
290	Lack of beach space	beaches	1
331	Safe, clean swimming area	beaches	1
481	Expansion of town beach or other swimming area	beaches	1
482	More public beach swimming options	beaches	1
483	Access to beaches / not closing in summer	beaches	1
502	Improve beach area	beaches	1
			14

Response #	Beach Issues	Category	# of Responses
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		# of Responses
1	Use of Town beach	beaches	1
65	clean up the area in front of the town beach	beaches	1
360	More public beach swimming options	beaches	1
211	No public beach	beaches	1
237	lack of beach areas	beaches	1
251	Larger and better planned town beach	beaches	1
313	More public swimming areas	beaches	1
			7

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Bacteria Option 1	Category	# of Responses
273	Prevention of contamination (E. Coli)	E-coli	1
381	E.coli every summer	E-coli	1
476	Issues with E.coli and fecal coliform bacteria	E-coli	1
554	E-coli	E-coli	1
588	E coli/only registered boats	E-coli	1
606	E Coli issues	E-coli	1
345	Bacteria	bacteria	1
356	Bacterial contamination	bacteria	1
223	keeping water safe for swimming relative to water quality	bacteria	1
			9

Option 2

Response #	Response	Bacteria	# of Responses
404	Bacteria	bacteria	1
428	Not safe swimming	bacteria	1
66	Limited beach swim options	bacteria	1
275	Controlling residential and business growth on the water that contributes to the E. Coli levels in the lakes.	bacteria	1
393	E.coli bacteria	bacteria	1
398	E.coli	bacteria	1
400	cyanobacteria contamination	bacteria	1
513	E-coli from too many waterfowl	bacteria	1
			8

Option 3

Response #	Bacteria	Category	# of Responses
Response #	Response	Bacteria	# of Responses
51	No more safe swimming...is a shame	bacteria	1
79	Algae	bacteria	1
153	Algae	bacteria	1
198	algae growth	bacteria	1
218	E.coli due to climate change	bacteria	1
221	E.coli high	bacteria	1
270	E.coli	bacteria	1
289	hygiene or the water	bacteria	1
			8

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39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Response #	Business on the lake	Category	# of Responses
Option 1			
613	lack of dining	business on the lake	1
561	Lack of quality restaurants surrounding lake	business on the lake	1
196	Need more dock space so everyone can enjoy the lakes	business on the lake	1
203	More Restaurants on the water	business on the lake	1
			4

Option 2

Response #	Response		Response Qty
43	Lacks Night life	business on the lake	1
20	Entertainment	business on the lake	1
501	Entertainment businesses	business on the lake	1
34	Encouraging business/dining	business on the lake	1
423	More food/ drink options when on water	business on the lake	1
492	Deterioration of the existing lakeside restaurants	business on the lake	1
181	Lack of activities	business on the lake	1
183	No business life on the water	business on the lake	1
306	Keep industry in existing areas	business on the lake	1
339	keeping large industries out of town	business on the lake	1
371	Tourist Attracting	business on the lake	1
500	Business around lakes	business on the lake	1
			12

Option 3

Response #	Business on the lake	Category	# of Responses
Response #	Response		Response Qty
48	Limited dining or activities	business on the lake	1
134	Suffering restaurants around the lake	business on the lake	1
135	No dock space at the current restaurants for boaters to pull up	business on the lake	1
205	Business/industry	business on the lake	1
257	Boat rental	business on the lake	1
375	Boat accessibility	business on the lake	1
317	get local restaurants going or town water activities to bring people to town!	business on the lake	1
352	Food on lakeside	business on the lake	1
			8

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

**Actual Responses Below
Restricting Boat size/HP**

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
23	Increase use by jet ski boats, boats with excessive horse power engines	restricting boat size/HP	1
330	Limit HP	restricting boat size/HP	1
351	Overly large boats	restricting boat size/HP	1
370	Too many large boats	restricting boat size/HP	1
618	Too large of watercraft	restricting boat size/HP	1
630	limited horsepower on motor boats	restricting boat size/HP	1
			6

Option 2

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
14	Limit the horse power of boats to no larger than 40 horse power	restricting boat size/HP	1
64	Limit boat size allowed	restricting boat size/HP	1
71	Boats are too big / too much gas /oil in lakes	restricting boat size/HP	1
76	Limiting size of motors	restricting boat size/HP	1
115	Too many high horsepower boats	restricting boat size/HP	1
120	Limit number and size of boats.	restricting boat size/HP	1
125	Too many fast boats for a small lake	restricting boat size/HP	1
180	Size of motors on lake.	restricting boat size/HP	1
190	Need to limited the size of boats, there are boats out there meant for ocean use	restricting boat size/HP	1
231	need horsepower limits	restricting boat size/HP	1
246	safety, engine & boat size	restricting boat size/HP	1
506	motor size	restricting boat size/HP	1
508	Limits on horsepower & speed of all water craft	restricting boat size/HP	1
511	Limit horsepower and power boat hull designs that create huge wakes (These boats are available Think Little Ville reservoir with horsepower limits.	restricting boat size/HP	1
521	Controlling the size of watercraft (motors)	restricting boat size/HP	1
			15

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
47	Control size of motors on lake	restricting boat size/HP	1
167	Reduce the amount of horse power allowed/	restricting boat size/HP	1
235	limits on power boats	restricting boat size/HP	1
			3

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Dredging

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
132	All the inlets and outlets are blocked by beavers and have destroyed property and made the lakes a mess, no water in and no water out have ruined the lakes	dredging	1
371	Fixing drainage problem	dredging	1
431	Maintain the Dam	dredging	1
553	Dredging so we don't have to do the alum treatment again and many other benefits of Dredging as well.	dredging	1
2	Dredging of Canal and Great Brooks	dredging	1
343	Water flow	dredging	1
419	Farmington Canal closing up needs dredging	dredging	1
425	Dredging	dredging	1
443	Dredge, assure continual outflow via South Pond canal	dredging	1
593	Cleaning the canal so the lakes can drain properly	dredging	1
558	Dredging lakes	dredging	1
			11

Option 2

Response #	Response	dredging	Response Qty
321	Dredging	dredging	1
212	water flow	dredging	1
357	Flooding	dredging	1
422	Lowering the lakes once a year so that the beaches can be cleaned	dredging	1
504	Dredging	dredging	1
			5

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
	Option 3		
Response #	Response	dredging	Response Qty
230	Improve flow	dredging	1
239	Keep water channels open so water flows and stays cleaner.	dredging	1
253	Lake dam maintained to improve water flow	dredging	1
278	water flow	dredging	1
95	dredging	dredging	1
99	dredging	dredging	1
285	flow	dredging	1
			7

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Recreation

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
63	Picnic areas around lakes	recreation	1
308	Congamond Lake needs more public amusement areas to bring in visitors.	recreation	1
395	It needs to be made more attractive for water sports	recreation	1
			3

Option 2

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
19	Encourage use through non-motorized recreation	recreation	1
108	Boat and kayak rentals	recreation	1
174	More areas for recreation use	recreation	1
214	boat rentals	recreation	1
337	Not staying an ALL recreational town that it has been for years	recreation	1
417	Need a recreation area with rope swings etc.	recreation	1
454	increased recreation	recreation	1
543	allowing all water activities, but finding ways to discourage too	recreation	1
			8

Option 3

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
333	having more activities	recreation	1
334	Kayaking/ canoe rentals	recreation	1
61	Activities/business days that cater towards kids	recreation	1
77	Need water activities for Kids	recreation	1
3	More recreation, all-season, should be promoted around the lakes - it certainly was 100 years ago. Why did that stop?	recreation	1

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
151	More rentals for watercrafts	recreation	1
254	Not enough town fun	recreation	1
258	advancing thoughtful recreational usage	recreation	1
307	Improving /enlarging a Day use area	recreation	1
345	promote camping areas on Congamond	recreation	1
346	not enough sponsored town activities	recreation	1
			11

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Taxes

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
11	tax revenue to low	taxes	1
28	Taking too much of our tax money	taxes	1
76	Increased taxes to residents	taxes	1
78	State should be paying for all expenses and not residents	taxes	1
245	high tax rate	taxes	1
265	do not use. lake assessment should be applied to lake users	taxes	1
418	Excessive property taxes	taxes	1
473	money pit	taxes	1
474	taxes	taxes	1
496	Be careful of spending tax dollars on something not everyone uses	taxes	1
514	Cost in maintenance	taxes	1
600	Maintenance costs	taxes	1
			12
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
45	Non-lakefront residents paying for lake improvements from our taxes	taxes	1
149	If true, a view tax is repulsive.	taxes	1
509	Taxes	taxes	1
201	Tax base should change so residents don't pay the same as businesses	taxes	1
			4

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
	Option 3		
Response #	Response		Response Qty
25	Stabilize homeowner real estate taxes	taxes	1
108	Cost	taxes	1
303	Cost to maintain	taxes	1
64	Property taxes are too high	taxes	1
308	High property taxes	taxes	1
			5

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Septic Issues

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
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Option 1

8	Poor water quality due to septic and runoff	septic	1
350	Sewer	septic	1
358	Clean water, limit septic	septic	1
454	Suffield sewer connection	septic	1
			4

Option 2

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
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38	Sewer connection expanded	septic	1
65	Encourage Suffield to connect to sewers	septic	1
132	provide sewer for homes along lake if not done yet to eliminate any old septic	septic	1
253	Septic systems	septic	1
312	drainage into lakes from old unidentified septic systems	septic	1
364	Septic	septic	1
475	Old Septic Systems	septic	1
485	Suffield needs sewers	septic	1
			8

Option 3

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
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82	Overbuilding/septic	septic	1
170	sewage/fertilizer runoff	septic	1
259	septic issues	septic	1
281	eliminating discharge from Suffield	septic	1
319	checking on homes in the area to make sure they are not adding to the problem of dirty water	septic	1
359	Suffield side septic needs to be replaced with sewers	septic	1
			6

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Noise

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
150	Noise regulation	noise	1
166	Noisy	noise	1
298	Excessive Noise	noise	1
			3

Option 2

Response #	Response	Response Qty	Response Qty
58	Noise	noise	1
77	noise control	noise	1
136	Noise level	noise	1
155	Noise	noise	1
221	Noise pollution	noise	1
440	Noise	noise	1
538	Noise	noise	1
			7

Option 3

Response #	Response	Response Qty	Response Qty
13	Loudness	noise	1
44	Loud large boats creating giant waves and noise	noise	1
152	Noise	noise	1
171	Noise, nuisance, property damage	noise	1
223	Noise	noise	1
323	Noise Control	noise	1
373	Noise	noise	1
			7

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Fishing Issues

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
66	Reduce number of fishing tournaments	fishing	1
138	Overfishing	fishing	1
			2
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
208	More fishing points	fishing	1
187	Restocking the lake	fishing	1
15	Fishing options	fishing	1
177	Too many fishing tournaments	fishing	1
320	Overfishing	fishing	1
406	Fishing tournaments not regulated too much	fishing	1
			6
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
14	Fishing access	fishing	1
91	Overfishing	fishing	1
279	Limit the bass boats around docks	fishing	1
358	Better fishing	fishing	1
389	More fish, more trees in parking/fishing areas	fishing	1
391	PROMOTE STOCKING OF FISH	fishing	1
			6

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Parking

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
5	Not enough parking for residents	parking	1
12	Overcrowding of parking	parking	1
19	Additional parking	parking	1
394	Over building	parking	1
354	Limited parking	parking'	1
			5

Option 2

Response #	Response		Response Qty
121	Parking	parking	1
167	Need more parking	parking	1
199	Parking	parking	1
			3

Option 3

Response #	Response		Response Qty
24	Parking	parking	1
201	parking	parking	1
215	Parking	parking	1
232	Parking	parking	1
388	Parking and overbuilding around shore	parking	1
			5

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Housing

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
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Option 1

456	slum houses	housing	1
54	Available housing- condos	housing	1
			2

Option 2

Response #	Response	Response Qty
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256	Residential housing improvements	housing	1
259	housing around lake	housing	1
414	Low Income housing	housing	1
			3

Option 3

Response #	Response	Response Qty
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137	Housing	housing	1
268	Too many run down & Un-Kept house in lake area.	housing	1
405	Housing	housing	1
			3

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

**Actual Responses Below
Inter-pond Culvert issues**

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
3	Access through the tunnels needs to be expanded for safety	inter-pond tunnel issues	1
183	North pond bridge overcrowded.	inter-pond tunnel issues	1
489	Tunnels need to be double wide	inter-pond tunnel issues	1
			3
Option 2			
Response #	Response	Response Qty	
3	If the access thru tunnels is made safer, people won't be barking about the lake allegedly being too crowded for safety	inter-pond tunnel issues	1
291	Deeper depth under roads for boats to connect lakes	inter-pond tunnel issues	1
451	tunnel traffic is horrendous	inter-pond tunnel issues	1
505	Install a traffic light on Tunnel between Middle and South Pond to reduce accidents	inter-pond tunnel issues	1
			4
Option 3			
Response #	Response	Response Qty	
71	culverts are too small	inter-pond tunnel issues	1
83	Limit access between lakes	inter-pond tunnel issues	1
			2

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Maintenance

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
304	Maintenance	maintenance	1
396	maintaining services	maintenance	1
595	Maintenance	maintenance	1
			3
Option 2			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
			0
Option 3			
Response #	Response		Response Qty
39	Maintenance of public property on lake	maintenance	1
97	general maintenance	maintenance	1
126	Maintenance of public areas, garbage removal glass clean up etc.	maintenance	1
272	Maintaining infrastructure	maintenance	1
347	maintaining public access	maintenance	1
372	poor maintenance	maintenance	1
			6

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

Roads

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
Option 1			
137	Roads in and around Southwick	roads	1
584	Quality of roads getting to and through	roads	1
305	The real estate and road quality around most of the lake areas is very run down.	roads	1
			3

Option 2

Response #	Response		Response Qty
8	road maintenance	roads	1
89	Roadways are in terrible condition and need to be repaired (not just by filling potholes) and/or repaved and maintained.	roads	1
135	repave roads leading to the lake	roads	1
			3

Option 3

Response #	Response		Response Qty
396	Roads in disrepair (already are) too much traffic	roads	1
404	Fix the roads the right way/stop paying for skim coating!	roads	1
			2

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

CRC

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
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Option 1

38	The Crc running out of volunteers	CRC	1
			1

Option 2

Response #	Response	Response Qty
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33	The Crc running out of funding	CRC	1
336	CRC- help improve the water and keep their nose out of politics	CRC	1
			2

Option 3

Response #	Response	Response Qty
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194	Update the CRC	CRC	1
28	The Crc calling it quits	CRC	1
			2

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

Actual Responses Below

No Opinion

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
	Option 1		
104	No Opinion	no opinion	1
143	No opinion	no opinion	1
348	None	no opinion	1
383	None	no opinion	1
624	Do not know	no opinion	1
			5

No Opinion

Option 2

Response #	Response	Response Qty
		0

No Opinion

Option 3

Response #	Response	Response Qty
		0

(Write in Response from Question 39)

39. Over the next 20 years, what do you believe are the TOP 3 issues facing the Town of Southwick relative to Congamond Lake?

**Actual Responses Below
Lake Smells**

Response #	Response	Category	Response Qty
257	The smell	lake smells	1
437	It smells!	lake smells	1
			2

Option 2

Response #	Response		Response Qty
405	Smell of water	smell	1

Option 3

Response #	Response		Response Qty
			0

(Write in Response from Question 41)

41. Thank you for participating in the Southwick Master Plan Community Engagement Survey! Please provide any additional comments that you would like to share with the Master Plan Advisory Committee.

Summary of Responses			
Ranking	Category	Qty of Responses	% of Total
1	Thank you	55	10.0
2	Small town charm	51	9.2
3	Business	49	8.9
4	Master plan	35	6.3
5	Agriculture	31	5.6
6	Controlled growth	31	5.6
7	Other	31	5.6
8	Housing	30	5.4
9	Congamond	28	5.1
10	Taxes	27	4.9
11	Water bans	23	4.2
12	Infrastructure	22	4.0
13	No change	18	3.3
14	Services	16	2.9
15	internet	14	2.5
16	Recreation	14	2.5
17	Communication	12	2.2
18	Schools	10	1.8
19	Beautification	10	1.8
20	Open space	10	1.8
21	Zoning	9	1.6
22	Conservation	7	1.3
23	Town gov't	7	1.3
24	Litter	5	0.9
25	Parks	5	0.9
26	Too political	2	0.4
		552	100.0

(Write in Response from Question 41)

41. Thank you for participating in the Southwick Master Plan Community Engagement Survey!
Please provide any additional comments that you would like to share with the Master Plan Advisory Committee.

Actual Responses Below

Thank you

Response #	Response	Category	Qty of Responses
12	Keep up the good work...appreciate your efforts. Southwick has a opportunity to preserve its natural setting and promote life balance through easy access to natural resources while conveniently located to infrastructure (highways, airport, shopping malls, grocery). This will be valued as more communities give way to over development	thank you	1
18	Thank you for the work you are doing and the outreach.	thank you	1
21	We love this town. One thing at the dump, half the people don't have stickers or are from CT. Guy should be at the gate. Very happy with DPW. Lastly please allow a builder to put up more Rosewood style places. They do not use from the school system. We have a shortage of affordable housing for seniors. Thank you all. The Kelleher's Southwick Hill.	thank you	1
22	Thank you	thank you	1
29	Thank you for all your hard work!	thank you	1
30	Thank you for your efforts	thank you	1
41	I believe surveys such as this are misleading and tend to cause participants to answer in a way that may not express their opinion if they had a better understanding of the issue. Such as question #8. Who would agree to encourage industrial growth if they do not understand the need for low impact tax revenue (industrial usage) for a town to keep residential taxes down and have revenue to support the other town improvements the resident's desire. The questions on low income housing, With this comes a increase in cost due to a rise in crime rates and the needs that arise from this, but who would oppose this without the additional information? Reasonable housing comes with lower residential taxes and this comes from a strong tax revenue base and industrial property supports this. I appreciate the committees work and recognize the difficulties in putting together a questionnaire however I caution that both sides of the issues be presented. Thank you for you service on this committee. Keith Deyo	thank you	1
49	Thank you to all that are participating in and managing this effort.	thank you	1

Response #	Response	Category	Qty of Responses
50	Thank you for giving the community an opportunity to voice their opinions. I love the rural character of the area in Southwick that I live in. I understand that there is a drive to constantly expand, however, I do not know why that is. Why is it that we do not just stay how we are? Several of my opinions: I think that if someone is getting a tax break on their property by putting it in agricultural use or whatever the technical terms are, they should have to wait a very long time and pay full taxes during that very long time before being able to take it out of use and sub-divide it. I get that it is their land, but I don't want to subsidize their taxes so they can have a 75 acre farm just for them to sell it off and have that open land become condos or corporations. Having to pay back the lost taxes doesn't seem like enough. That is tax revenue the town could have been using all this time to better itself. They owe interest. We are missing a huge opportunity with OHRV trails. I don't pretend to know how the town could pull it off, but if we could piece together a couple dozen miles of connected dirt bike and 4-wheeler trails and charge for access, people will come. We have The Wick 338, but we could have so much more. Maybe we could relax the rules about traveling on road with OHRVs when traveling to access different trails. Plenty of towns in the country are friendly to OHRVs and allow their travel on public roads. The lake costs a lot of money to treat every year. I want to know if it is all covered by at least the tax revenue from the lake abutters. I don't want my taxes going to treating a lake I can't swim in because there isn't enough parking available. "Oh, but the people come from out of town with their boats and..." And what? Buy some gas and Red Bulls at Mobile? Show me an independent study that shows that dumping \$600k into the lake every year is worth it or stop. Rapid fire- I like shooting, why don't we have a range? We have a senior center, why not a young people center with a large gym? We have such nice spaces, why not a small park with a combination of free and pay cookout areas / gazebos? Where is my annual mailing of how my tax money is spent? Move mountains to get Whip City Fiber in here! People with money move to towns with great schools; please make the school budget a priority.	thank you	1
51	What an amazing committee!	thank you	1
52	Thank you for doing this difficult and time-consuming work. Your efforts will be a wonderful legacy for our town.	thank you	1
56	Thank you for putting this survey together	thank you	1
66	As a long time resident. I cannot stress enough in this brief survey, the love I have for this town and it's down home heritage. I strongly believe we need to keep Southwick as an Agricultural Community, without the excessive progression of trying to turn Southwick into another high crime city. It's already happening in the changes this planning board have already allowed to happen. Keep this farming town small. Thank you.	thank you	1
73	Thank you for doing this. We need to foster and support leadership like this not only to ensure Southwick thrives, but to also show the younger population the importance of civic participation and community involvement.	thank you	1
74	thank you for this inclusion survey, I feel like my voice will be heard. my hope is that other residence will feel this way and that they can be more involved in our great town of Southwick we call home.	thank you	1
87	THANK YOU MPAC!	thank you	1
88	Thank you for taking the time to create this Survey. I think it will be very helpful to the future of Southwick.	thank you	1

Response #	Response	Category	Qty of Responses
89	thank you MPAC for your diligence and hard work	thank you	1
92	Good Luck! 🍀 thank you for all your efforts already 😊	thank you	1
106	Thank you for putting this survey out to the community	thank you	1
108	Thank you for all the work and research that has gone into this. We desperately need a Master Plan so we don't have to have the drama of people picketing to be heard.	thank you	1
125	Thank you for working on this and giving me the opportunity to participate in this survey.	thank you	1
126	Thank you for caring and having the foresight to put this plan in place. I know this took a lot of effort. I love Southwick and I have mixed feelings. I would love to live in Northampton or Easthampton for all they offer, but then we lose the rural charm. It's very difficult to find a balance.	thank you	1
130	Thank you so much for all of the time and effort put forth in contribution to this process.	thank you	1
		thank you	1
137	Thank you for doing this	thank you	1
138	Kudos for planning ahead for the future of Southwick. I love living here.	thank you	1
139	Thank you for doing this.	thank you	1
148	Thank you for taking on this endeavor. I appreciate the time and energy you are putting in to the quality of life in Southwick now and in the future. (Please try to keep the Select Board out of it as much as possible.)	thank you	1
165	It's great having a group of citizens who care about our wonderful town in providing this survey so our voices and concerns are taken into consideration. Keep up the good work,	thank you	1
177	I would like to thank the committee for all the hard work in planning for the next generations. I realize there is much more to each issue presented.	thank you	1
189	I appreciate the work and people who are engaged in this important project. I think it is very important to preserve the character of our town before it is gone forever.	thank you	1
190	Thank you for soliciting the input and for the work being done on behalf of Southwick residents.	thank you	1
204	Thanks for caring.	thank you	1
206	Thank you for your hard work in trying to create long range plans for our town :)	thank you	1
219	thank you and good luck	thank you	1
220	Thank you for doing this work.	thank you	1
224	I love the small town feel of Southwick, and I hope that environment balanced with future development can be maintained. Thank you.	thank you	1
226	Good luck. Here's to the success of OUR GREAT TOWN.	thank you	1
242	Thank you!! Keep Southwick Green! Keep Corporations Out and invest in LOCAL business, LOCAL farming, and LOCAL education!!! Peace and God Bless!	thank you	1

Response #	Response	Category	Qty of Responses
254	Thank you for your work. Please offer opportunities for discussion/feedback on specific items that cannot be nuanced in a questionnaire. Make sure that the plan comes before Town Meeting and gets approved. Otherwise, your hard work will have been in vain. At all costs, PROTECT THE AQUIFER! Stop gated communities that practice sub-standard development and then expect the town to assume responsibility. Enforcement of existing bylaws should be written into their language and funded. The current culture in town is for people to do whatever they please because town officials a) don't know about it, b) enforce it selectively, c) the damage can't be undone. Offenders should be made to pay for real restoration of damages. Support attendance at workshops and conferences for town board and committee members. Committee members should be rewarded for their participation by continuing reappointment rather than by being dismissed for political reasons.	thank you	1
261	Thanks for conducting this survey. Fingers crossed and best wishes !	thank you	1
262	Thank you for your interest in community opinions	thank you	1
264	Thank you for doing something like this. It is the best way for people not keen on voicing their opinions to a crowd to make their wishes known. Everyone living here deserves a say in this place's future.	thank you	1
266	Thank you for requesting our opinions.	thank you	1
276	Thank you for this survey!	thank you	1
287	Thank you for doing this!	thank you	1
290	Sorry I didn't fill out completely. I found some of the requests too difficult. Good luck! And thank you for trying to better this town.	thank you	1
293	This survey is very timely as Southwick is at a crossroads in terms of development, improvements, etc. Survey is very well done and very thorough. Thank you for your work.	thank you	1
299	Because of age, my activities have been more and more limited, but I used to greatly enjoy trail hiking, bird watching, road biking, occasional swimming, lots of tennis, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, and some ice skating. I don't live near the lakes, but from what I read and have heard over the years, the lakes' committee has put much effort and many hours toward maintenance. They could use some help! Thank you for the time and effort you are giving for all of us.	thank you	1
298	I appreciate the survey. I hope your efforts help in making our town a better place. Thank you.	thank you	1
305	I would appreciate everyone's participation & time devoted to the future Southwick!	thank you	1
306	Thank you!!!	thank you	1
312	VERY MUCH APPRECIATE THE EFFORT TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR TOWN GROWTH AND DIRECTION. ACCOMMODATION FOR TAX RELIEF FOR OVER 55 AGE SENIOR COMMUNITIES WHICH CURRENTLY PAY 100% TAX RATE YET DO NOT USE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM. SOME SORT OF % RELIEF WHILE STILL RECOGNIZING WE NEED TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOLS..	thank you	1
322	Thank you for all your work on this.	thank you	1

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**Actual Responses Below
Small Town Charm**

Response	Category	Qty of Responses
I personally moved to Southwick from Westfield because I like the small feel and less bustle of the town. I don't want us to forget the nice community we are and just keep growing bigger and bigger. We have a lot of new housing developments even in the just the last 10 years. And now recently having people trying to move in and take advantage of Southwick for the low tax rates for business/industry. I think we should probably be more competitive with our neighboring cities and raise the business rates (at the very least for any new business) so that doesn't happen. I don't think we should be allowing businesses that aren't going to contribute to the feel and environment of Southwick as it is now. Big business doesn't seem like a good fit here. Putting up lots of apartments and cheap housing also isn't a good fit. We do ok as far as I'm concerned now having a variety of people living here without becoming overwhelmed with a large lower-income population. It's a good balance. I don't think we want to start worrying about the issues some of the bigger towns have to with lower-income populations. Southwick in my opinion has a good mix of homes, business, land, recreation, agriculture and more. While I understand the need to modernize and be smart, I don't think growing the towns housing and business/industry vastly makes sense. There's only so much land and once you fill it all, the only option is to build up. Doesn't make sense for a small town/community like ours. It's a great place to live—let's not forget that or take it too far in the dream of building something massive that can't be supported properly. More houses/business=greater problems that more money is needed to solve. I realize so probably sound like an old grouchy person who doesn't want to change, but I am a younger person who can really appreciate the gem Southwick is compared to other neighboring towns. Let's keep it safe.	taxes	1
Let's keep our beautiful town the way it is.	small town charm	1
I grew up in a big city in New York and I would never go back!! Southwick is a great place to live, let's keep it that way!	small town charm	1
love the town. Would like to bring more business in to help bring our property taxes down, offset improvements throughout the town. More Rails to trail expansion!@	small town charm	1

Small Town Charm		
Response	Category	Qty of Responses
Most of the townsfolk that I interact with do not live here because of the industrial development. The character of the town as it exists, is a key reason that folks enjoy living here. If I wanted to be surrounded by high impact industries or businesses then I would live in Springfield.	small town charm	1
I have been very happy here in Southwick for >40 years. I would hate to see the character of this town destroyed by large industrial ventures (such as the recent near miss with Carvana). Growth in small businesses and recreational ventures is what should be pursued. I support limiting residential expansion....we don't want to become Agawam.	small town charm	1
Please, Southwick is fine as is. I moved here 22 years ago, despite the fact that my commute to work would be longer, because I loved the small town feel and the paucity of industrial development. Please don't "develop" Southwick. Let's keep it small, quaint, and friendly.	small town charm	1
I'm very happy to have lived here for over 30 years. But all the development saddens me and the loss of beautiful land. Southwick is losing its small town feel but it's inevitable as it has happened to other towns. It's a shame that housing has become so expensive now, that many folks are priced out of purchasing a home here. Still it's a nice town to live and raise a family!!	small town charm	1
There needs to be a good balance between both business and residential development and maintaining the small town appeal of Southwick. Too much density will be harmful.	small town charm	1
We need to find a way to develop Southwick wisely, efficiently and transparently. This is a great little town and we need to make sure new development isn't approved just to have more taxes.	small town charm	1
Western Mass has plenty of towns that provide low income and affordable housing with small lots or apartments, and lots of retail and industrial business options. Some folks would prefer to live in a higher end town and are willing to pay higher taxes to keep it this way and to keep the traffic and over abundance of businesses out. There is a reason Southwick was voted best town to live in in western mass. Not sure why we would change what is obviously working. Seems Southwick is one of the few towns left that offers lots of green space, farms, large residential lots and residents with similar backgrounds and family values. Why should this change to match neighboring towns. If someone doesn't like the uniqueness of our town they can always choose to live in a neighboring town. But, if we change this town to be what those towns already are, where else do the nature loving small town loving residents have to go?	small town charm	1
We are on our way to major traffic issues through center of town unless we create alternative route past our business section or a plaza style entrance with lights(Westfield shops). It would ruin our small town charm but safety is important. Dunkin' Donuts is already an issue and should be relocated. We lost subway and we need additional chain/fast food in the right location(plaza).	small town charm	1
we moved to this town to get away from the hustle of the bigger city, keep Southwick as is	small town charm	1

Small Town Charm		
Response	Category	Qty of Responses
I love Southwick's rural feel and look; that's why I moved here. Even though I have lived here less than 12 years, I am no stranger to the town. My family has over a fifty-year connection to this town.	small town charm	1
Thank you for caring and having the foresight to put this plan in place. I know this took a lot of effort. I love Southwick and I have mixed feelings. I would love to live in Northampton or Easthampton for all they offer, but then we lose the rural charm. It's very difficult to find a balance.	small town charm	1
Overall, the town feels very outdated compared to some neighboring towns. In order to attract new, younger families (who high would also be great for the schools), we could really use substantial updates to the town center, as well as fresh, unique retail and dining options. Family friendly events are lacking and, for me personally, it's not far to travel to find these options available in other nearby towns (Simsbury, Granby, CT, etc.). The lake could be a huge draw for residents and out of towners alike to enjoy, but it needs a lot of work to be considered a quality recreational destination. Sprucing up our downtown and lake areas will better serve our community, providing more leisure opportunities and helping to modernize a town that hasn't reached its full potential. I feel there is a lot we can update for the better, without sacrificing the rural integrity of the town.	small town charm	1
I would like to see less development of all kinds in Southwick. I would like Southwick to go back to being a nice country town with farms. Less traffic. Sidewalks to walk on. Roads to be fixed. There are so many pot holes that need to be filled in. Southwick country fair. Praise the farms for all their hard work and products. Get government grants to help homeowners make repairs on their homes.	small town charm	1
We came to Southwick 20 years ago because of the small town feel this town offers. I hate to see a change in that moving forward. I have generally been pleased with the town and school system. I would like to keep living this way in the future. Limiting big business and increased populations of people to keep it a small town.	small town charm	1
I feel Southwick is a unique place. I would be very disappointed to see it turned into a place like Westfield or West Springfield; no offence to their style, there's a place for that, just not here.	small town charm	1
Many small communities we visit have a welcoming common on their entry to town. Would love to see that in Southwick as part of its rural and country flare.	small town charm	1
Southwick is a pristine community without many of the social problems of other Western mass towns. Please let's keep it that way.	small town charm	1
The country feeling, the rural atmosphere of Southwick needs to be protected. There seems to be a drive to make Southwick a working destination. This is a town to live in. I do not live here because of a short drive to work, but because it is separate from the daily stress and city atmosphere.	small town charm	1
My overall preference is to keep Southwick's small town feel and not over populate or over develop the town to make it another Agawam.	small town charm	1

Small Town Charm		
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I appreciate the work and people who are engaged in this important project. I think it is very important to preserve the character of our town before it is gone forever.	small town charm	1
We love this town and hope to enjoy it for many years to come. We like the size, the proximity, the country feel and recreational activities and would like to see those things preserved in the upcoming years. We do have concerns about services for seniors as we age here.	small town charm	1
I chose to live in a rural community and pay taxes that reflect this choice. Please keep the town rural	small town charm	1
Southwick is a great town. Please don't fix what isn't broken.	small town charm	1
I enjoy Southwick's rural aesthetic. I have lived here virtually my whole life and would like it to remain that way.	small town charm	1
Keep the small town atmosphere, tobacco and farm land, limit expansion of industry and housing	small town charm	1
I love the small town feel of Southwick, and I hope that environment balanced with future development can be maintained. Thank you.	small town charm	1
Stop trying to change everything. Bring Southwick back to a rural community	small town charm	1
Southwick is a great town overall. It is central to a lot of great places	small town charm	1
look first to un-used, under utilized existing structures before building new avoid large multi-unit developments keep w/the minimum 1 acre lot requirement for single houses allow businesses that 'fit' with the town's rural/ small town feel - people move here because it is different from Westfield, Agawam, West Springfield there is no need for additional Dollar Stores - Ocean State, Dollar Tree, Family Dollar do not tear down trees to build solar/ wind farms	small town charm	1
I enjoy Southwick "as is." The only improvements I would like are additional outdoor recreational opportunities, taking advantage of our rural location.	small town charm	1
I appreciate being given opportunity for providing feedback. Our rural character is important but so is providing housing for moderate and lower income brackets so people who grew up here can stay and seniors can have safe housing options without ridiculous wait lists.	small town charm	1
I moved here almost two years ago now. This really is a great town. Please don't ruin it with development.	small town charm	1
Southwick should be kept small and quaint like other small towns in W. MA. I have been here most of my life and it is starting to remind me of Westfield already.	small town charm	1

Small Town Charm		
Response	Category	Qty of Responses
I believe Southwick has all the quality offerings a Destination Community has to offer. We have not processed in that direction. Our vast travels within The US have shown us that clean natural water areas are a natural draw to big spending tourists. We can be that place. Tourist corporations have resources and needs for places exactly like Southwick. We can be a four season resort town without sacrificing our small town. Existing facilities can be upgraded to draw big spending tourist, not the penny tourist or drive thru tourist. The Historical Society can be a great resource on the successes and failures of past ventures, back in the heyday.	small town charm	1
Please think long and hard about what kind of business you let into this town. Please try really hard to keep all our beautiful farm land as is. Let's keep this town a small town with small town values.	small town charm	1
I think Southwick is such a beautiful little community that everyone can enjoy. All of my children and grandchildren attended school in Southwick (in fact our youngest grandchild is just entering 7th grade here!) I hope that we can keep our small-town atmosphere for years to come! I'm very proud to be a resident here.	small town charm	1
Small town, Farming, Family owned business Less development. Remodel the buildings we have instead of building new, leave the open space for the wildlife.	small town charm	1
Southwick is a great place to live its not over population and is quiet. I would love to keep it that way through not building. Southwick as a charm that will be lost if more residential building happens.	small town charm	1
Our main focus for development should maintaining the rural aesthetic appeal of Southwick while still encouraging growth. Many of our neighboring towns in CT have done a nice job of this by regulating the design of businesses and focusing on greenspace and trees. We need to focus on creating an upscale, historical looking, clean town center that makes people want to walk the main streets and shop. Housing development shouldn't be discouraged but should be required to have minimum lot sizes (ideally 1.5 acres) and protect our mature trees while planting new. New housing developments should be designed in such a way that the entry to the neighborhood from the main road is disguised so that the tree-filled rural feel is maintained while driving through Southwick. Designing neighborhoods with ponds for non-motorized boating and fishing would also be a plus. Underground wires should also be required. Zoning should be highly regulated for industrial use such as cell towers and alternative energy. Very clear regulations keeping these away from private residences and established neighborhoods are a must.	small town charm	1
I would like to see Southwick stay as much as possible as the quaint little town we have now. Do not need to expand to become a mini city. Keep it simple and rural.	small town charm	1
PLEASE KEEP RURAL CHARACTER OF TOWN	small town charm	1
Southwick is a great place to work and live. Changes seem to be changing away from friendly rural-suburban community toward large city problems. Controlled growth is needed.	small town charm	1

Small Town Charm		
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Please stop and think about what this development will do to our small town feel. More is not necessarily better. People that work in our town office that don't live here should not be involved in our town advancement. The opinion of the people that moved here for a better way of life should be listened to.	small town charm	1
I love this town the way it is. For example, a combination of a rural/farming/neighborhood community.	small town charm	1
I would like Southwick to keep its rural charm. No big buildings, big business!	small town charm	1
We moved to this town in 2004 due to the rural aspects and feel of the town. We are hoping much of the farmland and open spaces and be permanently preserved.	small town charm	1
We moved here 20 years ago to get away from all the building going on in Suffield. We love the rural feel of the town and don't want to see it overtaken by huge houses/apartment complexes and big business.	small town charm	1
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Actual Responses Below

Business

Response

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Highly suggest recommendations that would provide more lake dining or dining locations. We constantly leave town and go to Granby and Suffield for dining options and other activities (e.g. winery, apple picking, blueberry picking). Please provide incentives for activities that make living in the recreational farm town more enjoyable AND please get water use during the summer so we can keep our beautiful homes looking beautiful!	water bans	business	other		1
1. Would like to see the Economic Development Council be more active to promote shopping at local businesses & farm stands in town instead of going out of town, plus see them be more active in drawing businesses into town to occupy vacant buildings 2. Southwick schools need to focus on having a greater diversity in schools and not just focus on the student athletes - same with the school committee; the town needs more than just student athlete parents on the board	business	agriculture	schools		1
Nursing homes provide jobs and don't burden town schools, etc. Mixed use with school age children create a nice environment for both age groups. Campgrounds provide cash customers who don't burden the system. It's insane to desire low income housing, Financial and law enforcement burden.	new business				1
I believe surveys such as this are misleading and tend to cause participants to answer in a way that may not express their opinion if they had a better understanding of the issue. Such as question #8. Who would agree to encourage industrial growth if they do not understand the need for low impact tax revenue (industrial usage) for a town to keep residential taxes down and have revenue to support the other town improvements the resident's desire. The questions on low income housing, With this comes a increase in cost due to a rise in crime rates and the needs that arise from this, but who would oppose this without the additional information? Reasonable housing comes with lower residential taxes and this comes from a strong tax revenue base and industrial property supports this. I appreciate the committees work and recognize the difficulties in putting together a questionnaire however I caution that both sides of the issues be presented. Thank you for your service on this committee. Keith Deyo	thank you	master plan	housing	business	1
Do the town a favor, keep marijuana retail stores and growing facilities out of Southwick.	business				1

Business					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
I love the country feel of Southwick however it's too behind it's time. The town is growing yet the schools roads water and parks are not adequate. We pay a lot in taxes and don't see the returns for home owners . Roads are full of pot holes , schools are okay , parks are so-so definitely need a splash pad, a community center with activities like swimming , basketball , Pickle ball etc.... , rec center is falling apart , we need some commercial stores in town besides banks dollar trees and auto part stores . Makes town look cheap . A Trader Joe's or Starbucks would bring tons of revenue to town. Develop a nice looking strip mall for new shops . This town looks and feels old .	infrastructure	parks	business		1
Southwick is a great town but needs major improvements like the Schools , water systems , roads need paving ,trash removal, full time fire and ambulance services and commerce besides Dollar Tree Ocean State Job Lot and car stores . Also We need sidewalks and parks with events for kids including a summer splash pad at park. The lake should have events for residents to partake in such as concerts by the lake ; activities for kids during summer at town beach ; fishing tournaments; etc.....community center should host teen night , dances , bingo , and socials for residents . We need to spruce up town because it is so out dated and run down. Southwick has the beauty of Mother Nature and should use it . Pickle ball bocce and basketball courts near lake would be great with nightly concerts or outdoor movies in summer . Please make Southwick better	infrastructure	business	parks	other	1
I love the town. Would like to bring more business in to help bring our property taxes down, offset improvements throughout the town. More Rails to trail expansion!@	small town charm	business	parks	taxes	1
Most of the townsfolk that I interact with do not live here because of the industrial development. The character of the town as it exists, is a key reason that folks enjoy living here. If I wanted to be surrounded by high impact industries or businesses then I would live in Springfield.	small town charm	business			1
We need business development in town. We don't need affordable housing in town. I also think that its pretty much a waste of time for a bunch of citizens lay people to try and determine where a town should be 20 yrs. hence. 20 yrs. ago fiber internet connectivity was unheard of and electric vehicles were a dream. Let the market do what the market does. section 17 in the survey was very poorly designed. You can't rank each of the criteria specifically in order	housing	business	master plan		1
Encourage more farming The loss of Meadow View Farm was a tragedy Discourage shady businesses like Carvana - these people exploit the town and return little benefit to the residents	agriculture	business			1

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Tobacco is both cancerous as well as very addictive. Please do not support that specific crop. I am in favor of farms, but the town should not support ones that grow products that are harmful such as tobacco.	business	agriculture			1
I would love to see farmland still in Southwick, would hate to lose it. We need farms!!! Also would like to see much better roads, they are awful. And better water. As I understand Southwick needs businesses, I do not think huge industrial businesses are appropriate for Southwick.	agriculture	infrastructure	business	Water	1
Another grocery store	business				1
I would not like to see more industrialization without significant revenue being tied to land development. Business with a proven longevity and agricultural industry with local appeal.	business	agriculture			1
So-called "green development" is not a suitable alternative to community stewardship of preserved open land.	business				1
Don't allow Southwick to be developed by business's only to increase tax revenue.	taxes	business			1
Overall, the town feels very outdated compared to some neighboring towns. In order to attract new, younger families (who would also be great for the schools), we could really use substantial updates to the town center, as well as fresh, unique retail and dining options. Family friendly events are lacking and, for me personally, it's not far to travel to find these options available in other nearby towns (Simsbury, Granby, CT, etc.). The lake could be a huge draw for residents and out of towners alike to enjoy, but it needs a lot of work to be considered a quality recreational destination. Sprucing up our downtown and lake areas will better serve our community, providing more leisure opportunities and helping to modernize a town that hasn't reached its full potential. I feel there is a lot we can update for the better, without sacrificing the rural integrity of the town.	LMC	business	small town charm	beautification	1
The lakes were a major recreational site for many years and brought in financial resources for the town. This should be redeveloped.	LMC	business			1

Business					
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I just hope whatever we bring to Southwick, it brings in revenue, fits into the landscape here and doesn't cause too much traffic. I love the fact I don't have to leave Southwick to enjoy all the fall activities, and I'm hoping we can bring something like a Sonny's Place in CT. That would be a good fit out here, outdoor music, fun for families etc....	business				1
maintain Southwick as residential	Business				1
Housing apartments could be at Pioneer Dairy. More things for Young adults to do. Better schools that really are transparent and realize that most of our students stay close to town so let's make their education count and not just shuffle the papers. Maybe some senior/public transportation. More tasteful industry to add to our tax revenue not cannabis, or vape shops or Dollar Stores. Add some. Restaurants. Make the center look more inviting. Signage lights sidewalks. Benches. Our community could be a destination and we don't make any effort	housing	schools	beautification	business	1
Southwick continues to try and preserve the town that is there without developing. This has become burdensome on taxpayers. We cannot sustain saving every bit of land, assisting with helping out those of low income without the town changing its mindset and seeking more commercial residents to share the tax burden. I would have answered many of these questions differently if I knew it was not going to continue to increase my taxes year over year. I've had a 20% increase in my taxes over the last 8 years I have owned my home.	taxes	business			1
Where are the options on lowering taxes? Removing CRT? Resisting ESG? Improve the right to support business, i.e. Carvana.	taxes	schools	business		1
Keep the small town atmosphere, tobacco and farm land, limit expansion of industry and housing	small town charm	agriculture	housing	business	1
Stop spending money on social programs and low income development. Encourage businesses on College Highway. Make the town look and feel more like a quintessential sleepy New England town. I don't want development!	housing	business	beautification		1
Please build a Trader Joe's. Bring on the high class, healthful improvements to our community! Conserve agriculture and beautiful open spaces.	agriculture	beautification	business	open space	1
Commercial/industrial growth needs to be increased to stabilize residential tax base. It demands less service from the town. We have enough open space and town owned land. The town should not be the biggest landowner. This property is removed from the tax roll and places a higher tax burden on the residential taxpayer.	taxes	business	open space		1
Thank you!! Keep Southwick Green! Keep Corporations Out and invest in LOCAL business, LOCAL farming, and LOCAL education!!! Peace and God Bless!	thank you	agriculture	business	schools	1

Business					
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look first to un-used, underutilized existing structures before building new avoid large multi-unit developments keep w/the minimum 1 acre lot requirement for single houses allow businesses that 'fit' with the town's rural/ small town feel - people move here because it is different from Westfield, Agawam, West Springfield there is no need for additional Dollar Stores - Ocean State, Dollar Tree, Family Dollar do not tear down trees to build solar/ wind farms	small town charm	business			1
Protect the aquifer. Balance development with water and sewer capabilities; don't allow gated communities with sub-standard roads; stop the development of the ugly strip of box businesses along College Highway.	water supply	controlled growth	infrastructure	business	1
Would love to see more Tech related industry brought into town. We really need fiber internet access.	internet	business			1
I believe Southwick has all the quality offerings a Destination Community has to offer. We have not processed in that direction. Our vast travels within The US have shown us that clean natural water areas are a natural draw to big spending tourists. We can be that place. Tourist corporations have resources and needs for places exactly like Southwick. We can be a four season resort town without sacrificing our small town. Existing facilities can be upgraded to draw big spending tourist, not the penny tourist or drive thru tourist. The Historical Society can be a great resource on the successes and failures of past ventures, back in the heyday.	small town charm	business			1
We should be rewarding clean ideas and living. Everyone should pay their own way. New business that fits within our infrastructure. Promoting more diverse types of small business. More events that get the town together and bring in spending for the local businesses.	business	other			1
No CARVANA or any other businesses that want to take apart 20-90 acres just to have a large empty parking lot.	controlled growth	business			1
Please think long and hard about what kind of business you let into this town. Please try really hard to keep all our beautiful farm land as is. Let's keep this town a small town with small town values.	small town charm	agriculture	business		1
I would like to see the business tax rate raised to a competitive rate. That would help the town more than developing it with large industrial projects. We could use a Trader Joe's and a Harbor Freight.	taxes	business			1

Business					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
The North Pond Conservation Area needs clear, permanent signage stating the rules. Parking and trash are issues. Continued community education and outreach is needed. There are too many boats on Congamond. Boaters are uneducated and do not adhere to lake or boating rules. There is no enforcement or education taking place. The police are not a presence. The buoys need lights at night. Saving North Pond and fighting against Carvana is something this town should be proud. Make pot stores legal - we are losing tons of money. Get Trader Joe's here. I grew up working in the tobacco fields and riding my horse along the wooded trails of Southwick. I lived in Westfield, but spent almost all my time in Southwick. I had an awesome childhood growing up, working my first job and playing in Southwick. Now I live on and play in Congamond. I love Southwick and feel blessed to have grown up and now live here.	litter	LMC	business		1
Small town, Farming, Family owned business Less development Remodel the buildings we have instead of building new, leave the open space for the wildlife.	small town charm	agriculture	open space	business	1
The town should stay the way it is. Encourage farmers markets and maintain an agricultural base. The age of large luxury homes in subdivisions is coming to an end. Future generations will not be able to afford these types of homes, what is our plan when we have large vacant homes and no young families to buy them? Keep industry out. Encourage small, technical businesses to thrive. Encourage the schools to stay on course. Trim the fat out of the town DPW and watch our waste spending. NO LOW INCOME HOUSING. We have TOO MUCH drug problems. DO NOT ALLOW POLICE BODY CAMERAS, we WILL lose quality police if we don't give them breathing room.	no change	agriculture	housing	business	1
We have finite resources, We should be sure of an adequate source of water. The more food we can grow locally, the better. We cannot continue to expect to get our food elsewhere. Maybe even have a cannery here!	water bans	agriculture	business		1
I think that the first step is defining a mission for the character of the town and then as change happens - have changes enhance the theme. Now Southwick is "Recreational Community," but I do not see that theme beyond the lakes and motocross. A different theme could be considered to help Southwick grow in a specific direction. I was disappointed that Trader Joe's did not get into town. We need a grocery store like Trader Joe's or Whole Foods or the like.	controlled growth	business			1
Need more parking for the Rail Trail. Need to clean up pollution in the Congamond Lakes. Encourage farming/agriculture. Encourage small businesses/restaurants, etc.	LMC	agriculture	business	parking	1

Business					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Until the water ban situation is corrected, this town is not attractive to purchase residences. no additional industry such as Carvana that would further deplete water resources should be allowed. Infrastructure improvements promised several years ago have not been done. Changes in regulations to enable residents to dig wells is needed. We had someone come out to dig well & they were down 30 feet said only deep well & town will not allow that! Our home sits on aquifer so why isn't deeper well allowed. One cannot maintain a lawn watering 1 day per week. Cost of Southwick water is also very high compared to other towns.	water bans	infrastructure	taxes	business	1
I would like Southwick to keep its rural charm. No big buildings, big business!	small town charm	business			1
The master plan needs to address and change any of the towns zoning laws that are outdated or that need to be updated/changed in order to prevent any business development that would alter the recreational character of the town.	zoning	recreation	business		1
Ban taking of forest land for solar farmers like the Big Y did! A Travesty to trade CO2 reducing trees for electricity! Further Development in Southwick should be hinged on more natural gas availability town wide. Energy availability needs to be carefully considered for any future building expansion plans in town!	zoning	business	controlled growth		1
Whip city fiber please , and open dispensary	internet	business			1
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Actual Responses Below				
Master Plan				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
I think that the Master Plan is a fantastic step forward to ensuring that the true quality of Southwick is maintained into the future. Having such a plan allows the people to have a voice and to have a way to stand up to those that would go against the will of the people in order to enhance their own agenda, even if they believe it to be for the benefit of all.	master plan			1
I think this is a great idea. I hope you get some great feedback and take advantage of what the townspeople are interested in.	master plan			1
I'm looking forward to seeing the changes in the future and the other folk's opinions in this survey.	master plan			1
I believe surveys such as this are misleading and tend to cause participants to answer in a way that may not express their opinion if they had a better understanding of the issue. Such as question #8. Who would agree to encourage industrial growth if they do not understand the need for low impact tax revenue (industrial usage) for a town to keep residential taxes down and have revenue to support the other town improvements the resident's desire. The questions on low income housing, With this comes a increase in cost due to a rise in crime rates and the needs that arise from this, but who would oppose this without the additional information? Reasonable housing comes with lower residential taxes and this comes from a strong tax revenue base and industrial property supports this. I appreciate the committees work and recognize the difficulties in putting together a questionnaire however I caution that both sides of the issues be presented. Thank you for your service on this committee. Keith Deyo	thank you	master plan	housing	1
Good luck	other			1
In the 40 years my wife and I have lived here, we have seen the town improve quite a bit. However, we think that an updated master plan is needed for more improvement. A traffic light at the end of Tannery Rd. would be one small example.	master plan	traffic light		1

Master Plan				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
We need business development in town. We don't need affordable housing in town. I also think that it's pretty much a waste of time for a bunch of citizens lay people to try and determine where a town should be 20 yrs. hence. 20 yrs. ago fiber internet connectivity was unheard of and electric vehicles were a dream. Let the market do what the market does. section 17 in the survey was very poorly designed. You can't rank each of the criteria specifically in order	housing	business	master plan	1
a very comprehensive survey. You ask some very hard questions!	master plan			1
I am excited to see some younger voices take charge in the upcoming years. There have been many times while growing up in Southwick I have wondered why our town was lacking in certain, fairly obvious ways. I hope to see that improve in the coming years.	other			1
Thank you for all the work and research that has gone into this. We desperately need a Master Plan so we don't have to have the drama of people picketing to be heard.	thank you	master plan		1
provide this survey to high school seniors they will be the ones around for the next 20 years	master plan			1
I don't think the town is unified in it's vision of the future nor is it prepared to adapt a sustainable plan. I like living here; yet my overall impression is that this is a town living in the past. I hope I'm wrong!	master plan			1
I know politics is a necessary evil. However, This is the future of our Town. Let's set a goal of a better place for our children, and not a quick profit for the few. As you know, these decisions will make or break Southwick as a community.	master plan			1
It is obvious this town tries really hard to become better. I believe that work is and will pay off.	master plan			1
The survey used was produced by a biased source and squid (????) relevant information.	master plan			1
you're welcome . Survey was difficult in parts, because of hard choices to be made for the future of the town. Especially the part about affordable housing. This survey really makes you realize that the choices are not easy ones	master plan			1
This(a master plan) was done 20 years ago(or more?) and was set aside by the Powers That Be. Sadly, I hope this one does better. Too many lovely buildings have been razed and farmland sold. No more "box stores" please.	master plan	agriculture	controlled growth	1
This is a very good idea. As times change updates are needed. I checked that I live in a condo, but I really live in a cottage in a retirement community. It is not detached. You omitted that kind of option for housing.	master plan			1

Master Plan				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
Good practice to including town members in shaping the town's future	master plan			1
Try and really think about the responses from the survey, especially the younger generations, remember we are the ones that will be growing up here more and living here more and will more appreciate better changes for the town	master plan			1
Way too long of a survey. Questions need improvement. No questions about the park and rec department which needs attention.	master plan			1
Thank you for your work. Please offer opportunities for discussion/feedback on specific items that cannot be nuanced in a questionnaire. Make sure that the plan comes before Town Meeting and gets approved. Otherwise, your hard work will have been in vain. At all costs, PROTECT THE AQUIFER! Stop gated communities that practice sub-standard development and then expect the town to assume responsibility. Enforcement of existing bylaws should be written into their language and funded. The current culture in town is for people to do whatever they please because town officials a) don't know about it, b) enforce it selectively, c) the damage can't be undone. Offenders should be made to pay for real restoration of damages. Support attendance at workshops and conferences for town board and committee members. Committee members should be rewarded for their participation by continuing reappointment rather than by being dismissed for political reasons.	thank you	master plan	water supply	1
Great idea with survey and website. Keep trying to get people involved. Will do best to participate and communicate to others.	master plan			1
Thank you for doing something like this. It is the best way for people not keen on voicing their opinions to a crowd to make their wishes known. Everyone living here deserves a say in this place's future.	thank you	master plan		1
Great idea to put out the survey!	master plan			1
Not enough emphasis was placed on the infrastructure needed to support current residents as well as future growth and quality of life issues. No emphasis on character and preservation of treescape. Master Plan did not address access to councilmen or frequency of meetings. Not well thought out.	infrastructure	master plan	controlled growth	1
I do not support cannabis growing, cultivating, or retail stores in town. I moved to Southwick because of the Right to Farm Community standards, and do not want to see that destroyed by overdevelopment. I suspect the town management and political powers have a vision for Southwick and most of these surveys and survey responses will be disregarded, which is a real shame.	agriculture	master plan		1

Master Plan				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
On Question 16, why do I have to mark as important all items when some are not important to me at all.	master plan			1
This survey is very timely as Southwick is at a crossroads in terms of development, improvements, etc. Survey is very well done and very thorough. Thank you for your work.	thank you	master plan	controlled growth	1
I appreciate the survey. I hope your efforts help in making our town a better place. Thank you.	thank you	master plan		1
The survey broke several standards relative to conducting the survey, and analyzing and disseminating the results.	master plan			1
a shorter questionnaire with an update would be good as you progress	master plan	communication		1
There is a "bug" in question #16.....could not enter responses correctly ...if you used a selection (1-9) you weren't allowed to use it again for another response.	master plan			1
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Actual Responses Below Agriculture					
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I would like to see the agricultural, wildlife and recreational nature of the community protected and expanded upon for any new business or residential development opportunities.	agriculture	wildlife	recreation		1
Southwick roots: Agriculture and Recreation-these should be protected and expanded.	agriculture	recreation			1
1. Would like to see the Economic Development Council be more active to promote shopping at local businesses & farm stands in town instead of going out of town, plus see them be more active in drawing businesses into town to occupy vacant buildings 2. Southwick schools need to focus on having a greater diversity in schools and not just focus on the student athletes - same with the school committee; the town needs more than just student athlete parents on the board	business	agriculture	schools		1
Southwick should accentuate the strong positive points they already have - farming and fresh produce for sale. Southwick also has a great history and show continue to share it and expand opportunities to share those with its residents. Bring back and encourage community involvement in town meetings and activities	agriculture	get people involved			1
We moved to this town in 2004 due to the rural aspects and feel of the town. We are hoping much of the farmland and open spaces and be permanently preserved.	agriculture	open space			1
I would like to see Southwick remain agricultural and rural with small businesses that provide a service to the town. I would like to see minimal development of land for housing and business. I would like to see more green spaces and less industrial spaces and less traffic if possible.	agriculture	open space	open space		1
As a long time resident. I cannot stress enough in this brief survey, the love I have for this town and it's down home heritage. I strongly believe we need to keep Southwick as an Agricultural Community, without the excessive progression of trying to turn Southwick into another high crime city. It's already happening in the changes this planning board have already allowed to happen. Keep this farming town small. Thank you.	thank you	agriculture	controlled growth		1

Agriculture					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Work more for those you represent and not special interest groups -- eventually you will destroy the gem we have. Invest more in saving our agriculture community which made our town what it is today. Restore our confidence in those representing us.	agriculture	too political			1
Encourage more farming The loss of Meadow View Farm was a tragedy Discourage shady businesses like Carvana - these people exploit the town and return little benefit to the residents	agriculture	business			1
TOBACCO IS BOTH CANCEROUS AS WELL AS VERY ADDICTIVE. PLEASE DO NOT support that specific crop. I am in favor of farms, but the town should not support ones that grow products that are harmful such as tobacco.	business	agriculture			1
I would love to see farmland still in Southwick, would hate to lose it. We need farms!!! Also would like to see much better roads, they are awful. And better water. As I understand Southwick needs businesses, I do not think huge industrial businesses are appropriate for Southwick.	agriculture	infrastructure	business	water quality	1
I disagree with the police/fire/ambulance dispatch moving to Westfield. We need to keep it in Southwick especially if we are a growing town. Our dispatchers know our town. We need to do something to encourage farm growth in Southwick. More farmers are retiring and no one is taking over the farms. We should offer some kind of tax break or something to farmers to encourage farms to be sold to new owners. Something needs to be done asap about the trash around the lake and bike path. We need to hire more town staff or have park staff. It has gotten out of control. North Pond violators need to be ticketed and fined. If no boats are allowed there they should be ticketed. If we don't have the police to do this more police need to be hired.	agriculture	taxes	litter	LMC	1
I would not like to see more industrialization without significant revenue being tied to land development. Business with a proven longevity and agricultural industry with local appeal.	business	agriculture			1
I would like to see less development of all kinds in Southwick. I would like Southwick to go back to being a nice country town with farms. Less traffic. Sidewalks to walk on. Roads to be fixed. There are so many pot holes that need to be filled in. Southwick country fair. Praise the farms for all their hard work and products. Get government grants to help homeowners make repairs on their homes.	small town charm	agriculture	infrastructure		1
This(a master plan) was done 20 years ago(or more?) and was set aside by the Powers That Be. Sadly, I hope this one does better. Too many lovely buildings have been razed and farmland sold. No more "box stores" please.	master plan	agriculture	controlled growth		1

Agriculture					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
It is very important to me that we do not lose any more agricultural land to development for other purposes.	agriculture				1
Keep the small town atmosphere, tobacco and farm land, limit expansion of industry and housing	small town charm	agriculture	housing	business	1
Farmland should be preserved. Basic retail services i.e. grocery, drug store, etc. available. Churches welcome in town	agriculture				1
We need to keep the town a farm community and agriculture. If it changes then the town will deteriorate. 55 year and older would be great for elderly housing in our town is elderly based.	agriculture	housing			1
Please build a Trader Joe's. Bring on the high class, healthful improvements to our community! Conserve agriculture and beautiful open spaces.	agriculture	beautification	business	open space	1
Thank you!! Keep Southwick Green! Keep Corporations Out and invest in LOCAL business, LOCAL farming, and LOCAL education!!! Peace and God Bless!	thank you	agriculture	business	schools	1
Please think long and hard about what kind of business you let into this town. Please try really hard to keep all our beautiful farm land as is. Let's keep this town a small town with small town values.	small town charm	agriculture	business		1
I do not support cannabis growing, cultivating, or retail stores in town. I moved to Southwick because of the Right to Farm Community standards, and do not want to see that destroyed by overdevelopment. I suspect the town management and political powers have a vision for Southwick and most of these surveys and survey responses will be disregarded, which is a real shame.	agriculture	master plan			1
Small town, Farming, Family owned business Less development Remodel the buildings we have instead of building new, leave the open space for the wildlife.	small town charm	agriculture	open space	business	1
The town should stay the way it is. Encourage farmers markets and maintain an agricultural base. The age of large luxury homes in subdivisions is coming to an end. Future generations will not be able to afford these types of homes, what is our plan when we have large vacant homes and no young families to buy them? Keep industry out. Encourage small, technical businesses to thrive. Encourage the schools to stay on course. Trim the fat out of the town DPW and watch our waste spending. NO LOW INCOME HOUSING. We have TOO MUCH drug problems. DO NOT ALLOW POLICE BODY CAMERAS, we WILL lose quality police if we don't give them breathing room.	no change	agriculture	housing	business	1
We have finite resources. We should be sure of an adequate source of water. The more food we can grow locally, the better. We cannot continue to expect to get our food elsewhere. Maybe even have a cannery here!	Water bans	agriculture	business		1

Agriculture					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
More cows less pavement	agriculture	no change			1
Need more parking for the Rail Trail. Need to clean up pollution in the Congamond Lakes. Encourage farming/agriculture. Encourage small businesses/restaurants, etc.	LMC	agriculture	business	parking	1
Would like to see farming and recreation (lakes) to continue to be favorable to town residents. If housing continues to increase at the rate it is presently, the atmosphere of the town will be ruined.	agriculture	Recreation	housing		1
We should stay a farming community. We should protect our water quality & supply.	agriculture	water bans			1
I love this town the way it is. For example, a combination of a rural/farming/neighborhood community.	small town charm	no change	agriculture		1
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Actual Responses Below

Controlled Growth

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Housing issues have been identified and never dealt with by the Planning and/or Select Board and /or Conservation and/or Housing Authority, in a comprehensive long term way. The whole process is piecemeal at best and terribly inefficient and ineffective. This planning process should devise concrete steps toward a comprehensive plan toward the future. The past must be improved upon.	housing controlled growth	planned growth		1
Let's grow a thriving beautiful Southwick		beautification		1
As a long time resident. I cannot stress enough in this brief survey, the love I have for this town and it's down home heritage. I strongly believe we need to keep Southwick as an Agricultural Community, without the excessive progression of trying to turn Southwick into another high crime city. It's already happening in the changes this planning board have already allowed to happen. Keep this farming town small. Thank you.	thank you	agriculture	controlled growth	1
My main concerns are development; each new home and business requires extra water from a system which is generally always on water restriction in summer already. Each new home brings 2 to 3 more vehicles on the roads. New single homes here and there are one thing, but developments should be limited.	water bans	controlled growth		1
I didn't move here to have the town turn into Springfield	growth			1
There needs to be a good balance between both business and residential development and maintaining the small-town appeal of Southwick. Too much density will be harmful.	small town charm	controlled growth		1
I would like the Economic Development Committee, Planning Board and others to identify the kinds of business growth that is desirable/appropriate for Southwick and to proactively seek those kinds of businesses rather than reacting to each new business development that comes along.	controlled growth			1
We need to find a way to develop Southwick wisely, efficiently and transparently. This is a great little town and we need to make sure new development isn't approved just to have more taxes.	controlled growth	small town charm		1

Controlled Growth				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
Businesses should be paying a higher tax rate than the residential rate. Businesses are earning income on their property whereas residents are not. We are attracting the wrong kind of businesses with such a low tax rate.	taxes	controlled growth		1
Before Southwick encourages residential, business and industrial growth we should make sure we have an adequate infrastructure to support such endeavors- roads, water, sewer, police, fire, Ems, schools etc. Slow growth would be best	infrastructure	controlled growth		1
let Southwick develop please.	growth			1
The challenge is increasing the tax base, supporting local businesses, and still preserving not overwhelming the town. The "Not in My Backyard" knee-jerk reaction to anything new can be tough to overcome.	taxes	controlled growth		1
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Please, no more Dollar Stores and used car lots.	controlled growth			1
move forward but not too fast, limit housing so school systems don't get overwhelmed	housing	schools	controlled growth	1
I love the small town feel of Southwick, and I hope that environment balanced with future development can be maintained. Thank you.	thank you	small town charm	controlled growth	1
Don't make to many changes	controlled growth			1
We need to protect our town from the greedy few who are interested more in filling their pockets with \$\$ at the expense of preserving all that Southwick has to offer. More homes mean more families which means crowded and understaffed schools.	controlled growth			1
Keep in mind everything is a balance including raising tax revenue.	taxes	controlled growth		1
Protect the aquifer. Balance development with water and sewer capabilities; don't allow gated communities with sub-standard roads; stop the development of the ugly strip of box businesses along College Highway.	water supply	controlled growth	infrastructure	1
I moved here almost two years ago now. This really is a great town. Please don't ruin it with development.	small town charm	controlled growth		1
No CARVANA or any other businesses that want to take apart 20-90 acres just to have a large empty parking lot.	controlled growth	business		1

Controlled Growth				
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The most important issue in Southwick is improving the water situation. It is unbelievable we provide water to other towns, we have water restrictions that they DON'T have, continue to build houses (Southwick country club) that use more water YET, you want to bring in businesses that would increase water usage. It is a slap in the face to the current residents. Also since the issue with the wells (contamination) I have noticed the water does not have any brown sediment that it has had for the last several years - my water containers haven't had any brown stains in them. All this points to a water situation that needs to be addressed. Not enough emphasis was placed on the infrastructure needed to support current residents as well as future growth and quality of life issues. No emphasis on character and preservation of treescape. Master Plan did not address access to councilmen or frequency of meetings. Not well thought out.	water bans	controlled growth		1
1. Southwick should review local towns in MA and CT and emulate those which have successfully promoted developing and maintaining an attractive New England character. 2. Every commercial development approval should require architectural and landscape features that IMPROVE the appearance of the town - Examples: Good: Big Y, former Key Bank Poor: Ocean State Job Lot, Tractor Supply, Family Dollar, Walgreens	infrastructure	master plan	controlled growth	1
This survey is very timely as Southwick is at a crossroads in terms of development, improvements, etc. Survey is very well done and very thorough. Thank you for your work.	controlled growth	beautification		1
I think that the first step is defining a mission for the character of the town and then as change happens - have changes enhance the theme. Now Southwick is "Recreational Community," but I do not see that theme beyond the lakes and motocross. A different theme could be considered to help Southwick grow in a specific direction. I was disappointed that Trader Joe's did not get into town. We need a grocery store like Trader Joe's or Whole Foods or the like.	thank you	master plan	controlled growth	1
Southwick is a great place to work and live. Changes seem to be changing away from friendly rural-suburban community toward large city problems. Controlled growth is needed.	controlled growth	business		1
We need careful planning for business and residential development. More attention should be given to the impact on our resources and the impact on the visual appearance of our town.	small town charm	controlled growth		1
We need to make educated and well thought out decisions, we need to stay informed, we need to get away from pitch forks and torches reactions.	housing	controlled growth	beautification	1
	too Political	controlled growth		1

Controlled Growth				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
Ban taking of forest land for solar farmers like the Big Y did! A Travesty to trade CO2 reducing trees for electricity! Further Development in Southwick should be hinged on more natural gas availability town wide. Energy availability needs to be carefully considered for any future building expansion plans in town!	zoning	business	controlled growth	1
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Other					
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Highly suggest recommendations that would provide more lake dining or dining locations. We constantly leave town and go to Granby and Suffield for dining options and other activities (e.g. winery, apple picking, blueberry picking). Please provide incentives for activities that make living in the recreational farm town more enjoyable AND please get use water use during the summer so we can keep our beautiful homes looking beautiful!	water bans	business	other		1
Southwick should accentuate the strong positive points they already have - farming and fresh produce for sale. Southwick also has a great history and should continue to share it and expand opportunities to share those with its residents. Bring back and encourage community involvement in town meetings and activities.	agriculture	other			1
Focus on the needs of the entire community not just a minority (lake property owners, protesters, etc.	other				1
I enjoy Southwick life. I moved from living in Chicopee all my life. I am living in my forever home. However I feel there needs to be affordable internet. Not Comcast. Also we pay double for electric over towns/ cities that have their own. We need to keep utilities affordable. Eversource is nothing but crooks. I think the town should help with maintaining trees city and personal alike. With all these storms wires are going down. Trees falling on houses. No one has the cost to trim dead branches and so on. I take care of the short trees but some are skyscrapers. In my short time in town I have seen several uprooted trees. I even have put my flashers on in traffic to clear branches after a storm blocking a roadway.	internet/cable	other			1

Other					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Southwick is a great town but needs major improvements like the Schools , water systems , roads need paving, trash removal, full time fire and ambulance services and commerce besides Dollar Tree ocean state job lot and car stores . Also We need sidewalks and parks with events for kids including a summer splash pad at park. The lake should have events for residents to partake in such as concerts by the lake ; activities for kids during summer at town beach ; fishing tournaments; etc.....community center should host teen night , dances , bingo , and socials for residents . We need to spruce up town, it looks so dated and run down. Southwick has the beauty of Mother Nature and should use it . Pickleball bocce and basketball courts near lake would be great with nightly concerts or outdoor movies in summer . Please make Southwick better	infrastructure	business	parks	other	1
This is the town I was raised in and live in with my family. I pray there will be enough opportunities to keep my children here as young adults and professionals trying to make a living.	other				1
In the 40 years my wife and I have lived here, we have seen the town improve quite a bit. However, we think that an updated master plan is needed for more improvement. A traffic light at the end of Tannery Rd. would be one small example.	master plan	other			1
Said it all	other				1
A lot of people in this town are terrified of change. We can't let that fear leave us in the dust.	other				1
Support of equestrian activities would be good for the Southwick economy. My dream: a horse park with rings, trails and open space to ride, where shows could be held and local riders/community equine groups could host activities. It would be like the Motocross Park except for equestrian events!	other				1
We are on our way to major traffic issues through center of town unless we create alternative route past our business section or a plaza style entrance with lights (Westfield shops). It would ruin our small town charm but safety is important. Dunkin' Donuts is already an issue and should be relocated. We lost subway and we need additional chain/fast food in the right location(plaza).	small town charm	other	other		1
May do so under separate cover.	other				1
None	other				1
Please listen to the younger folk that show up to Committee Meetings! Their voices matter!	other				1
No CPA	other				1
Thank you for taking on this endeavor. I appreciate the time and energy you are putting into the quality of life in Southwick now and in the future. (Please try to keep the Select Board out of it as much as possible.)	thank you	other			1
Make Southwick affordable to the poor, please	other				1

Other					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Please review light pollution in regards to municipal and residential outdoor lighting. Light pollution has increased drastically over the past 10 years in the Town of Southwick. We used to be able to view the milky way 10 years ago. It is part of our natural heritage and we are losing it. Light pollution contributes to poor human health as well as disrupts natural wildlife cycles. Light pollution negatively effects both day and nighttime pollinators, reducing their numbers drastically. Many nocturnal animals/insects require darkness for breeding and hunting for prey. Smart light solutions (spectrum, angle, timer) are currently available. It is an easy solution and should be incorporated in our future planning. James Lowenthal did a presentation "It's Nighttime- It's supposed to be Dark" for the Cary Memorial Library. Please view this for more information.	other				1
While sounding rather hysterical and un-called for; -with the threat of a man-made disaster becoming ever-present with the beginning of the Russo-Ukrainian war and nearing run-off climate change, adequate sustaining and protection of our population through a "Doomsday" scenario should be taken into serious consideration.	other				1
We need to better control commercial traffic through residential areas, as the local communities grow and expand we are seeing increased commercial traffic in residential areas often they disregard traffic laws	other				1
Would like to see improved lighting on the school track so residents can walk in the evening hours	other				1
I grew up in Iowa in a rural farming community the size of Southwick. I then lived in larger cities including St Louis and Denver. The appeal of a small community is connectedness, which I think Southwick lacks. I felt more connected in the larger cities than I do here. Part of that has to do with the pandemic but I also tend to believe Southwick can improve and build on the great things it has to offer to make it more inviting.	other				1
None	none				1
I think protecting our water supply should be our number one priority. Food security is also important for the future. I would like to see more healthy organic foods available to residents. I currently travel 45 minutes to locally grown organic produce. The toxins on our food is causing more damage to our health than most realize.	water bans	other			1
We should be rewarding clean ideas and living. Everyone should pay their own way. New business that fits within our infrastructure. Promoting more diverse types of small business. More events that get the town together and bring in spending for the local businesses.	business	other			1
Great town/community. It has improved over the years	other				1

Other					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
I'm 72 years old and moved back to Southwick to retire near family and old friends. I do feel connected to this town and enjoy returning even though at times I miss Vermont.	other				1
I love Southwick!	other				1
Please stop and think about what this development will do to our small town feel. More is not necessarily better. People that work in our town office that don't live here should not be involved in our town advancement. The opinion of the people that moved here for a better way of life should be listened to.	small town charm	other			1
Get rid of our descriptor as a "recreational community." We can be more than that	other				1
There needs to be more for kids. Elderly and. Bullying issues. Also our roads and sidewalks need to be maintained. A project finished before new ones start. If kept up we wouldn't have issues	services		other	infrastructure	1
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housing

planned growth

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We moved here 20 years ago to get away from all the building going on in Suffield. We love the rural feel of the town and don't want to see it overtaken by huge houses/apartment complexes and big business.

rural
atmosphere

housing

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Duplexes, apartments and low-income housing will only raise the population and create problems. We need to stop building for expansion and take care of our current residents and land.

housing

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We love this town. One thing at the dump, half the people don't have stickers or are from CT. Guy should be at the gate. Very happy with DPW. Lastly please allow a builder to put up more Rosewood style places. They do not use from the school system. We have a shortage of affordable housing for seniors. Thank you all. The Kellehers Southwick Hill.

thank you

services

housing

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Housing				
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I believe surveys such as this are misleading and tend to cause participants to answer in a way that may not express their opinion if they had a better understanding of the issue. Such as question #8. Who would agree to encourage industrial growth if they do not understand the need for low impact tax revenue (industrial usage) for a town to keep residential taxes down and have revenue to support the other town improvements the resident's desire. The questions on low income housing, With this comes a increase in cost due to a rise in crime rates and the needs that arise from this, but who would oppose this without the additional information? Reasonable housing comes with lower residential taxes and this comes from a strong tax revenue base and industrial property supports this. I appreciate the committees work and recognize the difficulties in putting together a questionnaire however I caution that both sides of the issues be presented. Thank you for you service on this committee. Keith Deyo	thank you	master plan	housing	1
I'm willing to be taxed more to enhance the quality of our Town for us residents. Sidewalks, school funding, road fixes and improvements, building of single-family dwellings to increase population and tax revenues.	taxes	schools	infrastructure	1

Housing				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
I believe Southwick has the potential to improve itself by embracing what already makes our town great- community, nature, and recreation- while also looking to the future and making our town greener and more affordable to all income levels. We need to look forward and support the future generations more than anything- they're the ones who will be living here and running things 20 years from now.	nature	housing		1
I have been very happy here in Southwick for >40 years. I would hate to see the character of this town destroyed by large industrial ventures (such as the recent near miss with Carvana). Growth in small businesses and recreational ventures is what should be pursued. I support limiting residential expansion.....we don't want to become Agawam.	small town charm	business	housing	1
I'm very happy to have lived here for over 30 years. But all the development saddens me and the loss of beautiful land. Southwick is losing its small town feel but it's inevitable as it has happened to other towns. It's a shame that housing has become so expensive now, that many folks are priced out of purchasing a home here. Still it's a nice town to live and raise a family!!	small town charm	housing	open space	1
No public or low income housing No public transportation	housing	transportation		1
We need business development in town. We don't need affordable housing in town. I also think that its pretty much a waste of time for a bunch of citizens lay people to try and determine where a town should be 20 yrs. hence. 20 yrs. ago fiber internet connectivity was unheard of and electric vehicles were a dream. Let the market do what the market does. section 17 in the survey was very poorly designed. You can't rank each of the criteria specifically in order	housing	business	master plan	1
Western Mass has plenty of towns that provide low income and affordable housing with small lots or apartments, and lots of retail and industrial business options. Some folks would prefer to live in a higher end town and are willing to pay higher taxes to keep it this way and to keep the traffic and over abundance of businesses out. There is a reason Southwick was voted best town to live in in western mass. Not sure why we would change what is obviously working. Seems Southwick is one of the few towns left that offers lots of green space, farms, large residential lots and residents with similar backgrounds and family values. Why should this change to match neighboring towns. If someone doesn't like the uniqueness of our town they can always choose to live in a neighboring town. But, if we change this town to be what those towns already are, where else do the nature loving small town loving residents have to go?	small town charm	housing	business	1
I like the town but am frustrated as a 65 year old working full time I cannot find housing other than an efficiency apt. Rents keep going up every year. I am always told I don't make enough money for rentals or buying. What happens in my future?	housing			1

Housing				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
Housing apartments could be at pioneer dairy More things for. Young adults to do Better schools that really are transparent and realize that most of our students stay close to town so let's make their education count and not just shuffle the papers Maybe some senior/public transportation More tasteful industry to add to out tax revenue not cannabis. Or vape shops or dollar stores. Add some. Restaurants Make the center look more inviting Signage lights sidewalks. Benches Our community could be a destination and we don't make any effort	housing	schools	beautification	1
In my opinion, if the town wants to gain more residents they should do so through affordable, but not low income, housing and promote growth the of young professionals and first-time home Buyers. Housing such as condos/townhomes are an affordable option to buy.	housing			1
Keep 55 and over communities in high priority.	housing			1
move forward but not to fast, limit housing so school systems don't get overwhelmed	housing	schools	controlled growth	1
Keep the small town atmosphere, tobacco and farm land, limit expansion of industry and housing	small town charm	agriculture	housing	1
Less new homes to protect the town Aqua firms	housing	water supply		1
Stop spending money on social programs and low income development. Encourage businesses on College Highway. Make the town look and feel more like a quintessential sleepy New England town. I don't want development!	housing	business	beautification	1
We need to keep the town a farm community and agriculture. If it changes then the town will deteriorate. 55 year and older would be great for elderly housing in our town is elderly based.	agriculture	housing		1
As someone that moved here 25 years ago, I have seen Southwick's improvement first hand. More housing developments will only mean more stress on the agricultural integrity and water quality of this unique town. More slips on the lake will only mean more crowding and accidents, both minor and tragic. We have had a boat on the lake for the 25 years we have lived here and it is getting to the point that it isn't even enjoyable because of the number of water craft on the lake. No more marinas please!	LMC	Con Com	housing	1
I appreciate being given opportunity for providing feedback. Our rural character is important but so is providing housing for moderate and lower income brackets so people who grew up here can stay and seniors can have safe housing options without ridiculous wait lists.	housing	small town charm		1
The town should stay the way it is. Encourage farmers markets and maintain an agricultural base. The age of large luxury homes in subdivisions is coming to an end. Future generations will not be able to afford these types of homes, what is our plan when we have large vacant homes and no young families to buy them? Keep industry out. Encourage small, technical businesses to thrive. Encourage the schools to stay on course. Trim the fat out of the town DPW and watch our waste spending. NO LOW INCOME HOUSING. We have TOO MUCH drug problems. DO NOT ALLOW POLICE BODY CAMERAS, we WILL lose quality police if we don't give them breathing room.	no change	agriculture	housing	1

Housing				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
Southwick is a great place to live its not over population and is quiet. I would love to keep it that way through not building. Southwick as a charm that will be lost if more residential building happens.	small town charm	no change	housing	1
Our main focus for development should maintaining the rural aesthetic appeal of Southwick while still encouraging growth. Many of our neighboring towns in CT have done a nice job of this by regulating the design of businesses and focusing on greenspace and trees. We need to focus on creating an upscale, historical looking, clean town center that makes people want to walk the main streets and shop. Housing development shouldn't be discouraged but should be required to have minimum lot sizes (ideally 1.5 acres) and protect our mature trees while planting new. New housing developments should be designed in such a way that the entry to the neighborhood from the main road is disguised so that the tree-filled rural feel is maintained while driving through Southwick. Designing neighborhoods with ponds for non-motorized boating and fishing would also be a plus. Underground wires should also be required. Zoning should be highly regulated for industrial use such as cell towers and alternative energy. Very clear regulations keeping these away from private residences and established neighborhoods are a must.	small town charm	beautification	housing	1
Would like to see farming and recreation (lakes) to continue to be favorable to town residents. If housing continues to increase at the rate it is presently, the atmosphere of the town will be ruined.	agriculture	Recreation	housing	1
We need careful planning for business and residential development. More attention should be given to the impact on our resources and the impact on the visual appearance of our town.	housing	controlled growth	beautification	1
I would like to see Southwick remain agricultural and rural with small businesses that provide a service to the town. I would like to see minimal development of land for housing and business. I would like to see more green spaces and less industrial spaces and less traffic if possible.	agriculture	rural	open space	1
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Actual Responses Below					
Congamond					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Category or Responses
The Lake Management Committee should study the boating capacity of Congamond Lake and if justified look into the use of a reservation system to control the number of watercraft using the lake.	Congamond	Con Com			1
Why doesn't the boat launches have an automated gate that collects the entrance fees year round alleviating the need for personnel? They should also have a bottle return to collect donated cans	Congamond				1
The lake needs better annual cleanup and mandatory boat wash at the State boat launches. Also the roads are maintained terribly the repairs are amateurish.	Congamond				1
Please consider yearly unlimited boat launch pass. I would gladly pay 50 to 75 dollars for that pass. Town would make more money, let neighboring towns pay a little more, I pay taxes in this town to support lake management, they don't!	Congamond				1
Boat ramp fee should be \$5 for in town residence and \$30 for out of towners I think it would keep out the riffraff	Congamond				1
I live on the lake, so my first priority is protecting it and the surrounding land. The other major thing I think the town needs is sidewalks.	Congamond	infrastructure			1
Need to update the zoning in town. Verizon is trying to put a cell tower in the middle of our neighborhood. That should not happen. Need better recreation. Need tennis/pickleball courts. Need an indoor pool for a swim and dive team. Need summer camps in town for kids. Need a gaga ball pit. Need better parking and access ramps to the bike path. Need more organization and town support around team sports. The rec center volunteers and after school program are great, but help is needed - both money and manpower is needed to get things done, like maintain fields, organize/relationships with other towns, etc. More organized town sponsored outings - bus trips to Red Sox games, etc. Do more with outdoor exercise - like limiting motor boats on the lake to certain times, days, areas so there can be safe activities like paddleboarding, kayaking. Town run rentals for paddleboarding and kayaking. Not enough parking or access to the lake. If stuff like this exists, it's not known. Need more team sports offered at the high school level. Can you get more teams for just the 7th and 8th graders?	zoning	recreation	Congamond	services	1

Congamond					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Fresh water sources will become more scarce as global warming continues...having our own fresh water supply will prove invaluable in the near future. Restore the lakes to their original pristine condition and put a moratorium on further development until we can meet the fresh water demands in Southwick. How can we possibly allow more development when we can't meet our current water needs?	Congamond	water supply/quality			1
what is the impact of raising the level of the lakes?	Congamond				1
Overall, the town feels very outdated compared to some neighboring towns. In order to attract new, younger families (who high would also be great for the schools), we could really use substantial updates to the town center, as well as fresh, unique retail and dining options. Family friendly events are lacking and, for me personally, it's not far to travel to find these options available in other nearby towns (Simsbury, Granby, CT, etc.). The lake could be a huge draw for residents and out of towners alike to enjoy, but it needs a lot of work to be considered a quality recreational destination. Sprucing up our downtown and lake areas will better serve our community, providing more leisure opportunities and helping to modernize a town that hasn't reached its full potential. I feel there is a lot we can update for the better, without sacrificing the rural integrity of the town.	Congamond	business	small town charm	beautification	1
The lakes were a major recreational site for many years and brought in financial resources for the town. This should be redeveloped.	Congamond	business			1
Something in writing limiting anyone to start a marina if they have the land and enough parking. Also people operating business's that rent boats on the lake that do not run the business on the lake. Especially the influx of Jet Skiers who rent and have never operated. Super dangerous out there on the water compared to years past. MA to require a boating safety/PWC course like CT does.	Congamond	zoning			1
I grew up in Southwick on the North Pond. What the lakes have become since that time is very sad. They used to be beautiful and now with all the commercial and residential development they are just an overcrowded dirty mess. My family does not swim or boat there anymore. A lot will have to be done to bring the lakes back to something of what they were years ago.	Congamond				1
We own a small boat and we enjoy boating on Congamond. I feel that residents of Southwick should be exempt from the launch fee.	Congamond	Con com			1
Lake is my number 1 concern/priority. It is a huge asset to our town and we need to protect it keep it clean.	Congamond				1
The Farmington Canal was dredged years ago and it was a huge improvement for all on the lake. It needs to be done again, and maintained as a Historical Landmark.	Congamond				1

Congamond					Category of Response
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	
As it relates to Congamond I would like to see the Town work with the State regarding resident vs non-resident fees.	Congamond	Con Com			1
My property taxes are over \$8000 per year. We would like to stay in Southwick post-retirement. To better ensure that, taxes must be stable or reduced, roads must be better paved, and the lakes must remain clean and safe. We just might make it to 2040.	Congamond	infrastructure	LMC		1
Limit boat engine size and noise level produced on lake Congamond. It is not necessarily a relaxing place to be on weekends. Or a safe place for boating! We intentionally plan around busy times to do our boating(skiing/tubing),, motorized and non- motorized(kayaking) for safety reasons. We own property on the lake. I don't think we should feel the need to limit our own boating or swimming area due to overcrowding and irresponsible boaters.	Congamond	Con Com			1
Committee should also look into issues such as collaboration/cooperation with Suffield, state governments (CT, MA) to get all residences on the Congamond Lakes on the sewer system to help assure future water quality. Recent heat waves seem to have contributed to closing of town beach due to higher than acceptable levels of e-coli. Such occurrences are likely to continue and be exacerbated due to any such discharge in the lakes. What kind of a Southwick future would it be if the Congamond Lakes are toxic and not usable?	Congamond	communication			1
As someone that moved here 25 years ago, I have seen Southwick's improvement first hand. More housing developments will only mean more stress on the agricultural integrity and water quality of this unique town. More slips on the lake will only mean more crowding and accidents, both minor and tragic. We have had a boat on the lake for the 25 years we have lived here and it is getting to the point that it isn't even enjoyable because of the number of water craft on the lake. No more marinas please!	Congamond	Con Com	housing	water supply	1
rather than mowing the weeds in the lakes look into a weevil that eats the weeds and only reproduces as needed in relation to number of weeds - fish and human safe... Great Barrington did this some 20 years ago with great success	Congamond	Con Com			1
Allow for a safe area to unload and kayak separated from motorboats in Congamond Lake.	Congamond				1

Congamond					Category of Response
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The North Pond Conservation Area needs clear, permanent signage stating the rules. Parking and trash are issues. Continued community education and outreach is needed. There are too many boats on Congamond. Boaters are uneducated and do not adhere to lake or boating rules. There is no enforcement or education taking place. The police are not a presence. The buoys need lights at night. Saving North Pond and fighting against Carvana is something this town should be proud. Make pot stores legal - we are losing tons of money. Get Trader Joe's here. I grew up working in the tobacco fields and riding my horse along the wooded trails of Southwick. I lived in Westfield, but spent almost all my time in Southwick. I had an awesome childhood growing up, working my first job and playing in Southwick. Now I live on and play in Congamond. I love Southwick and feel blessed to have grown up and now live here.	litter	Congamond	business		1
Because of age, my activities have been more and more limited, but I used to greatly enjoy trail hiking, bird watching, road biking, occasional swimming, lots of tennis, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, and some ice skating. I don't live near the lakes, but from what I read and have heard over the years, the lakes' committee has put much effort and many hours toward maintenance. They could use some help! Thank you for the time and effort you are giving for all of us.	thank you	Congamond	recreation		1
Need more parking for the Rail Trail. Need to clean up pollution in the Congamond Lakes. Encourage farming/agriculture. Encourage small businesses/restaurants, etc.	Congamond	agriculture	business	services	1
Somehow educate boaters on the lakes even just the simple things like going the correct way, how far to stay away from other boats and summers - common courtesy when boating - keep trash in the boat - general safety.	Congamond	litter			1
I disagree with the police/fire/ambulance dispatch moving to Westfield. We need to keep it in Southwick especially if we are a growing town. Our dispatchers know our town. We need to do something to encourage farm growth in Southwick. More farmers are retiring and no one is taking over the farms. We should offer some kind of tax break or something to farmers to encourage farms to be sold to new owners. Something needs to be done asap about the trash around the lake and bike path. We need to hire more town staff or have park staff. It has gotten out of control. North Pond violators need to be ticketed and fined. If no boats are allowed there they should be ticketed. If we don't have the police to do this more police need to be hired.	agriculture	taxes	litter	Congamond	1
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Taxes

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I would like some discussion at the community outreach meetings on the commercial vs residential tax income to the Town. Our town leaders like to say we have an 'imbalance' and we, the residents, need some understanding of this math and the concerns.	taxes	1
We need to show town what tax changes will happen with every plan	taxes	1
Taxes are high and we do not receive any services	taxes	1
I personally moved to Southwick from Westfield because I like the small feel and less bustle of the town. I don't want us to forget the nice community we are and just keep growing bigger and bigger. We have a lot of new housing developments even in the just the last 10 years. And now recently having people trying to move in and take advantage of Southwick for the low tax rates for business/industry. I think we should probably be more competitive with our neighboring cities and raise the business rates (at the very least for any new business) so that doesn't happen. I don't think we should be allowing businesses that aren't going to contribute to the feel and environment of Southwick as it is now. Big business doesn't seem like a good fit here. Putting up lots of apartments and cheap housing also isn't a good fit. We do ok as far as I'm concerned now having a variety of people living here without becoming overwhelmed with a large lower-income population. It's a good balance. I don't think we want to start worrying about the issues some of the bigger towns have to with lower-income populations. Southwick in my opinion has a good mix of homes, business, land, recreation, agriculture and more. While I understand the need to modernize and be smart, I don't think growing the towns housing and business/industry vastly makes sense. There's only so much land and once you fill it all, the only option is to build up. Doesn't make sense for a small town/community like ours. It's a great place to live—let's not forget that or take it too far in the dream of building something massive that can't be supported properly. More houses/business=greater problems that more money is needed to solve. I realize so probably sound like an old grouchy person who doesn't want to change, but I am a younger person who can really appreciate the gem Southwick is compared to other neighboring towns. Let's keep it safe.	taxes	1
I'm willing to be taxed more to enhance the quality of our Town for us residents. Sidewalks, school funding, road fixes and improvements, building of single-family dwellings to increase population and tax revenues.	taxes	1

Taxes		
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<p>Thank you for giving the community an opportunity to voice their opinions. I love the rural character of the area in Southwick that I live in. I understand that there is a drive to constantly expand, however, I do not know why that is. Why is it that we do not just stay how we are? Several of my opinions: I think that if someone is getting a tax break on their property by putting it in agricultural use or whatever the technical terms are, they should have to wait a very long time and pay full taxes during that very long time before being able to take it out of use and sub-divide it. I get that it is their land, but I don't want to subsidize their taxes so they can have a 75 acre farm just for them to sell it off and have that open land become condos or corporations. Having to pay back the lost taxes doesn't seem like enough. That is tax revenue the town could have been using all this time to better itself. They owe interest. We are missing a huge opportunity with OHRV trails. I don't pretend to know how the town could pull it off, but if we could piece together a couple dozen miles of connected dirt bike and 4-wheeler trails and charge for access, people will come. We have The Wick 338, but we could have so much more. Maybe we could relax the rules about traveling on road with OHRVs when traveling to access different trails. Plenty of towns in the country are friendly to OHRVs and allow their travel on public roads. The lake costs a lot of money to treat every year. I want to know if it is all covered by at least the tax revenue from the lake abutters. I don't want my taxes going to treating a lake I can't swim in because there isn't enough parking available. "Oh, but the people come from out of town with their boats and..." And what? Buy some gas and Red Bulls at Mobile? Show me an independent study that shows that dumping \$600k into the lake every year is worth it or stop. Rapid fire- I like shooting, why don't we have a range? We have a senior center, why not a young people center with a large gym? We have such nice spaces, why not a small park with a combination of free and pay cookout areas / gazebos? Where is my annual mailing of how my tax money is spent? Move mountains to get Whip City Fiber in here! People with money move to towns with great schools; please make the school budget a priority.</p>	taxes	1
<p>love the town. Would like to bring more business in to help bring our property taxes down, offset improvements throughout the town. More Rails to trail expansion!@</p>	small town charm	1
<p>We pay a lot of taxes in Southwick with little services provided, other than police, fire and school system. Other towns with similar taxes receive more residential amenities. Our water supply issues need to be resolved so we are not always on a restricted use.</p>	water bans	1
<p>Tax rate for residents and business should NOT be the same.</p>	taxes	1
<p>Reduce taxes, resolve the water restriction issues, improve the roads and improve educational opportunities for students and young adults; bring sports and entertainment to the area to keep youth engaged in positive life activities.</p>	taxes	1
<p>Businesses should be paying a higher tax rate than the residential rate. Businesses are earning income on their property whereas residents are not. We are attracting the wrong kind of businesses with such a low tax rate.</p>	taxes	1
<p>There should be a tax difference between homeowners and businesses (commercial and industrial)</p>	taxes	1
<p>Don't allow Southwick to be developed by business's only to increase tax revenue.</p>	taxes	1

Taxes		
Response	Category	Qty of Responses
The challenges are increasing the tax base, supporting local businesses, and still preserving not overwhelming the town. The "Not in My Backyard" knee-jerk reaction to anything new can be tough to overcome.	taxes	1
Southwick continues to try and preserve the town that is there without developing. This has become burdensome on taxpayers. We cannot sustain saving every bit of land, assisting with helping out those of low income without the town changing its mindset and seeking more commercial residents to share the tax burden. I would have answered many of these questions differently if I knew it was not going to continue to increase my taxes year over year. I've had a 20% increase in my taxes over the last 8 years I have owned my home.	taxes	1
For paying over 8 thousand a year in property taxes we have poor internet, roads that are bad and getting worse, half the town has no city water or sewer plus trash pickup. Selectmen should be ashamed of the way the town is going	taxes	1
1. We really feel that the fact that there is no difference in the tax rate for residential vs business use is detrimental to the quality of life in the town. If businesses want to come to Southwick they should be willing to contribute to maintaining the quality of life for the residents via a higher tax base. 2. We also feel that in order to more fairly represent (and encourage) diversity in town government the select board should be increased from 3 members to 5.	taxes	1
Where are the options on lowering taxes? Removing CRT? Resisting ESG? Improve the right to support business, i.e. Carvana.	taxes	1
My property taxes are over \$8000 per year. We would like to stay in Southwick post-retirement. To better ensure that, taxes must be stable or reduced, roads must be better paved, and the lakes must remain clean and safe. We just might make it to 2040.	taxes	1
Commercial/industrial growth needs to be increased to stabilize residential tax base. It demands less service from the town. We have enough open space and town owned land. The town should not be the biggest landowner. This property is removed from the tax roll and places a higher tax burden on the residential taxpayer.	taxes	1
Reducing taxes Should be a priority for the town of Southwick.	taxes	1
Tax cuts.	taxes	1
Keep in mind everything is a balance including raising tax revenue.	taxes	1
I would like to see the business tax rate raised to a competitive rate. That would help the town more than developing it with large industrial projects. We could use a Trader Joe's and a Harbor Freight.	taxes	1
Until the water ban situation is corrected, this town is not attractive to purchase residences. no additional industry such as Carvana that would further deplete water resources should be allowed. Infrastructure improvements promised several years ago have not been done. Changes in regulations to enable residents to dig wells is needed. We had someone come out to dig well & they were down 30 feet and said the Town only allows deep wells. Our home sits on aquifer so why isn't deeper well allowed. One cannot maintain a lawn watering 1 day per week. Cost of Southwick water is also very high compared to other towns.	taxes	1

Taxes		
Response	Category	Qty of Responses
VERY MUCH APPRECIATE THE EFFORT TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR TOWN GROWTH AND DIRECTION. ACCOMMODATION FOR TAX RELIEF FOR OVER 55 AGE SENIOR COMMUNITIES WHICH CURRENTLY PAY 100% TAX RATE YET DO NOT USE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM. SOMETHORT OF % RELIEF WHILE STILL RECOGNIZING WE NEED TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOLS..	taxes	1
I disagree with the police/fire/ambulance dispatch moving to Westfield. We need to keep it in Southwick especially if we are a growing town. Our dispatchers know our town. We need to do something to encourage farm growth in Southwick. More farmers are retiring and no one is taking over the farms. We should offer some kind of tax break or something to farmers to encourage farms to be sold to new owners. Something needs to be done asap about the trash around the lake and bike path. We need to hire more town staff or have park staff. It has gotten out of control. North pond violators need to be ticketed and fined. If no boats are allowed there they should be ticketed. If we don't have the police to do this more police need to be hired.	taxes	1
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Water Bans

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The water bans are ridiculous and a violation of our rights to use this service as we deem necessary - as is allowed and provided in most towns in this country.	water bans				1
Highly suggest recommendations that would provide more lake dining or dining locations. We constantly leave town and go to Granby and Suffield for dining options and other activities (e.g. winery, apple picking, blueberry picking). Please provide incentives for activities that make living in the recreational farm town more enjoyable AND please get use water use during the summer so we can keep our beautiful homes looking beautiful	water bans	business	other		1
The current water restriction policy needs to go.	water bans				1
My main concerns are development; each new home and business requires extra water from a system which is generally always on water restriction in summer already. Each new home brings 2 to 3 more vehicles on the roads. New single homes here and there are one thing, but developments should be limited.	water bans	controlled growth			1
We pay a lot of taxes in Southwick with little services provided, other than police, fire and school system. Other towns with similar taxes receive more residential amenities. Our water supply issues need to be resolved so we are not always on a restricted use.	water bans	taxes	services		1
Most importantly is getting the proper water supply.	water bans				1
Reduce taxes, resolve the water restriction issues, improve the roads and improve educational opportunities for students and young adults; bring sports and entertainment to the area to keep youth engaged in positive life activities.	taxes	water bans	schools	recreation	1
I would love to see farmland still in Southwick, would hate to lose it. We need farms!!! Also would like to see much better roads, they are awful. And better water. As I understand Southwick needs businesses, I do not think huge industrial businesses are appropriate for Southwick.	agriculture	infrastructure	business	water quality	1

Water Bans					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Fresh water sources will become more scarce as global warming continues...having our own fresh water supply will prove invaluable in the near future. Restore the lakes to their original pristine condition and put a moratorium on further development until we can meet the fresh water demands in Southwick. How can we possibly allow more development when we can't meet our current water needs!	LMC	water supply/quality			1
Please provide more transparency/education regarding water use restriction. I agree we need to conserve water, however the mandatory water restriction was implemented very early on in the summer over the past 2-3 years with little explanation. You might get better compliance by offering more information related to the decision to implement this restriction. Thank you for the opportunity to share our thoughts!	water bans	communication			1
For paying over 8 thousand a year in property taxes we have poor internet, roads that are bad and getting worse half the town has no city water or sewer plus trash pickup. Selectmen should be ashamed of the way the town is going	taxes	internet	infrastructure	water issues	1
Fewer new homes to protect the town Aqua firms	housing	water supply			1
As someone that moved here 25 years ago, I have seen Southwick's improvement first hand. More housing developments will only mean more stress on the agricultural integrity and water quality of this unique town. More slips on the lake will only mean more crowding and accidents, both minor and tragic. We have had a boat on the lake for the 25 years we have lived here and it is getting to the point that it isn't even enjoyable because of the number of watercraft on the lake. No more marinas please!	LMC	Con Com	housing	water supply	1
I think protecting our water supply should be our number one priority. Food security is also important for the future. I would like to see more healthy organic foods available to residents. I currently travel 45 minutes to locally grown organic produce. The toxins on our food is causing more damage to our health than most realize.	water bans	other			1

Water Bans					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Thank you for your work. Please offer opportunities for discussion/feedback on specific items that cannot be nuanced in a questionnaire. Make sure that the plan comes before Town Meeting and gets approved. Otherwise, your hard work will have been in vain. At all costs, PROTECT THE AQUIFER! Stop gated communities that practice sub-standard development and then expect the town to assume responsibility. Enforcement of existing bylaws should be written into their language and funded. The current culture in town is for people to do whatever they please because town officials a) don't know about it, b) enforce it selectively, c) the damage can't be undone. Offenders should be made to pay for real restoration of damages. Support attendance at workshops and conferences for town board and committee members. Committee members should be rewarded for their participation by continuing reappointment rather than by being dismissed for political reasons.	thank you	master plan	water supply	town govt	1
Protect the aquifer. Balance development with water and sewer capabilities; don't allow gated communities with sub-standard roads; stop the development of the ugly strip of box businesses along College Highway.	water bans	controlled growth	infrastructure	business	1
The most important issue in Southwick is improving the water situation. It is unbelievable we provide water to other towns, we have water restrictions that they DON'T have, continue to build houses (Southwick country club) that use more water YET, you want to bring in businesses that would increase water usage. It is a slap in the face to the current residents. Also since the issue with the wells (contamination) I have noticed the water does not have any brown sediment that it has had for the last several years - my water containers haven't had any brown stains in them. All this points to a water situation that needs to be addressed.	water bans	controlled growth			1
Water access is absolutely terrible in Southwick. As a homeowner- I have lost \$1000s of dollars in investing in my yard and outdoor areas to only be unable to water for months. 1X a week doesn't work. Communities near us have no restrictions or have limited restrictions (every other day). It is incredibly frustrating to care for a yard and then just watch it all fall apart due to town restrictions. Add in drinking water issues and constant notices of containments in our water. My weekly/monthly grocery bill has gone up as a result of drinking water issues as I now need to buy bottled drinking water at Big Y!	water bans	water quality			1
Fix the water supply so I do not have to ruin my lawn every year. I Damn it!	water bans				1

Water Bans					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
We have finite resources. We should be sure of an adequate source of water. The more food we can grow locally, the better. We cannot continue to expect to get our food elsewhere. Maybe even have a cannery here!	water bans	agriculture	business		1
Until the water ban situation is corrected, this town is not attractive to purchase residences. no additional industry such as Carvana that would further deplete water resources should be allowed. Infrastructure improvements promised several years ago have not been done. Changes in regulations to enable residents to dig wells is needed. We had someone come out to dig well & they were down 30 feet said only deep well & town will not allow that! Our home sits on aquifer so why isn't deeper well allowed. One cannot maintain a lawn watering 1 day per week. Cost of Southwick water is also very high compared to other towns.	water bans	infrastructure	taxes	business	1
We should stay a farming community. We should protect our water quality & supply.	agriculture	water bans			1
We need careful planning for business and residential development. More attention should be given to the impact on our resources and the impact on the visual appearance of our town.	housing	controlled growth	beautification	water	1
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Infrastructure

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There needs to be more for kids. Elderly and. Bullying issues. Also our roads and sidewalks need to be maintained. A project finished before new ones start. If kept up we wouldn't have issues	services		other	infrastructure	1
Speed tables on residential streets. Cleaning up litter!	infrastructure	litter			1
I'm willing to be taxed more to enhance the quality of our Town for us residents. Sidewalks, school funding, road fixes and improvements, building of single-family dwellings to increase population and tax revenues.	taxes	schools	infrastructure	housing	1
Sideways, parks, landscaping, mosquito control would all benefit the community	infrastructure	Parks			1
I love the country feel of Southwick however it is too behind it's time. The town is growing yet the schools roads water and parks are not adequate. We pay a lot in taxes and don't see the returns for home owners . Roads are full of pot holes , schools are okay , parks are definitely in need of a splash pad, no community center with activities like swimming , basketball , Pickleball etc.... , rec center is falling apart , we need some commercial stores in town besides banks Dollar Trees and auto part stores . Makes town look cheap . A Trader Joe's or Starbucks would bring tons of revenue to town. Develop a nice looking strip mall for new shops . This town looks and feels old .	infrastructure	parks	business		1
Southwick is a great town but needs major improvements like the Schools , water systems , roads need paving ,trash removal, full time fire and ambulance services and commerce besides dollar tree ocean state job lot and car stores . Also We need sidewalks and parks with events for kids including a summer splash pad at park. The lake should have events for residents to partake in such as concerts by the lake ; activities for kids during summer at town beach ; fishing tournaments; etc....community center should host teen night , dances , bingo , and socials for residents . We need to spruce up town looks so dated and run down. Southwick has the beauty of Mother Nature and should use it . Pickleball bocce and basketball courts near lake would be great with nightly concerts or outdoor movies in summer . Please make Southwick better	infrastructure	business	parks	improve the town	1

Infrastructure					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
I live on the lake, so my first priority is protecting it and the surrounding land. The other major thing I think the town needs is sidewalks.	LMC	sidewalks			1
I would love to see farmland still in Southwick, would hate to lose it. We need farms!!! Also would like to see much better roads, they are awful. And better water. As I understand Southwick needs businesses, I do not think huge industrial businesses are appropriate for Southwick.	agriculture	infrastructure	business	water quality	1
public sewer expansion. no tax for those who do not use the lake.	infrastructure				1
Fix the roads! The first impression of a potential resident or business seeking to relocate to Southwick are the public roads and bridges. They don't fly in or arrive by train. This first impression (roads) is bad.	infrastructure				1
Before Southwick encourages residential, business and industrial growth we should make sure we have an adequate infrastructure to support such endeavors- roads, water, sewer, police, fire, Ems, schools etc. Slow growth would be best	infrastructure	controlled growth			1
Keep our town small with reasonable development and wise usage of our resources.	infrastructure				1
For paying over 8 thousand a year in property taxes we have poor internet, roads that are bad and getting worse half the town has no city water or sewer plus trash pickup. Selectmen should be ashamed of the way the town is going	taxes	Internet	infrastructure	water issues	1
I would also like consideration to extend Natural Gas to my home and to other homes on my street. I would love the option to have Natural Gas at my home!!	infrastructure				1
My property taxes are over \$8000 per year. We would like to stay in Southwick post-retirement. To better ensure that, taxes must be stable or reduced, roads must be better paved, and the lakes must remain clean and safe. We just might make it to 2040.	taxes	infrastructure	LMC		1
Sewers were put in front of our house but we think it's too expensive to connect to them is there something that can be subsidize to help homeowners	infrastructure				1
Protect the aquifer. Balance development with water and sewer capabilities; don't allow gated communities with sub-standard roads; stop the development of the ugly strip of box businesses along College Highway.	water supply	controlled growth	infrastructure	business	1

Infrastructure					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Not enough emphasis was placed on the infrastructure needed to support current residents as well as future growth and quality of life issues. No emphasis on character and preservation of treescape. Master Plan did not address access to councilmen or frequency of meetings. Not well thought out.	infrastructure	master plan	controlled growth		1
Until the water ban situation is corrected, this town is not attractive to purchase residences. no additional industry such as Carvana that would further deplete water resources should be allowed. Infrastructure improvements promised several years ago have not been done. Changes in regulations to enable residents to dig wells is needed. We had someone come out to dig well & they were down 30 feet said only deep well & town will not allow that! Our home sits on aquifer so why isn't deeper well allowed. One cannot maintain a lawn watering 1 day per week. Cost of Southwick water is also very high compared to other towns.	water bans	infrastructure	taxes	business	1
Personally, I would love to see Southwick increase its Walkability. The downtown area could become a very desirable area with some improvements that DONT involve blacktop or concrete!	infrastructure				1
Suggest more intramural sports programs, elderly access to shopping areas like shuttle service. Aging population in town will need more mobility and access services, town is very spread out not walkable. Would like a ban on profane yard signs, makes the town look trashy	zoning	infrastructure	shuttle service		1
Probably the single most important thing we can do is focus on infrastructure for low cost fiber / high speed internet. With more opportunities for remote work than ever before, people want to leave the city and live in places like Southwick where they can work from home. This infrastructure is critical to attracting these (often) high-earners to our community so they can invest in the local economy. This is also a major selling point for almost any business. Additionally, I hope that the Town will begin to investigate mixed use, pedestrian promenades, and other innovations that promote walkability.	infrastructure	internet			1
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Actual Responses Below

No Change

Response	Category	Qty of Responses
Keep up the good work...appreciate your efforts. Southwick has a opportunity to preserve its natural setting and promote life balance through easy access to natural resources while conveniently located to infrastructure (highways, airport, shopping malls, grocery). This will be valued as more communities give way to over development	no change	1
Let's keep our beautiful town the way it is.	no change	1
Southwick does a pretty good job of leaving people alone and letting them run their businesses, live their lives, and doesn't tax or spend near as much as the surrounding areas. Keep doing that.	no change	1

No Change		
Response	Category	Qty of Responses
<p>Thank you for giving the community an opportunity to voice their opinions. I love the rural character of the area in Southwick that I live in. I understand that there is a drive to constantly expand, however, I do not know why that is. Why is it that we do not just stay how we are? Several of my opinions: I think that if someone is getting a tax break on their property by putting it in agricultural use or whatever the technical terms are, they should have to wait a very long time and pay full taxes during that very long time before being able to take it out of use and sub-divide it. I get that it is their land, but I don't want to subsidize their taxes so they can have a 75 acre farm just for them to sell it off and have that open land become condos or corporations. Having to pay back the lost taxes doesn't seem like enough. That is tax revenue the town could have been using all this time to better itself. They owe interest. We are missing a huge opportunity with OHRV trails. I don't pretend to know how the town could pull it off, but if we could piece together a couple dozen miles of connected dirt bike and 4-wheeler trails and charge for access, people will come. We have The Wick 338, but we could have so much more. Maybe we could relax the rules about traveling on road with OHRVs when traveling to access different trails. Plenty of towns in the country are friendly to OHRVs and allow their travel on public roads. The lake costs a lot of money to treat every year. I want to know if it is all covered by at least the tax revenue from the lake abutters. I don't want my taxes going to treating a lake I can't swim in because there isn't enough parking available. "Oh, but the people come from out of town with their boats and..." And what? Buy some gas and Red Bulls at Mobile? Show me an independent study that shows that dumping \$600k into the lake every year is worth it or stop. Rapid fire- I like shooting, why don't we have a range? We have a senior center, why not a young people center with a large gym? We have such nice spaces, why not a small park with a combination of free and pay cookout areas / gazebos? Where is my annual mailing of how my tax money is spent? Move mountains to get Whip City Fiber in here! People with money move to towns with great schools; please make the school budget a priority.</p>	thank you	1
<p>Please, Southwick is fine as is. I moved here 22 years ago, despite the fact that my commute to work would be longer, because I loved the small town feel and the paucity of industrial development. Please don't "develop" Southwick. Let's keep it small, quaint, and friendly.</p>	no change	1
<p>Western Mass has plenty of towns that provide low income and affordable housing with small lots or apartments, and lots of retail and industrial business options. Some folks would prefer to live in a higher end town and are willing to pay higher taxes to keep it this way and to keep the traffic and overabundance of businesses out. There is a reason Southwick was voted best town to live in in western mass. Not sure why we would change what is obviously working. Seems Southwick is one of the few towns left that offers lots of green space, farms, large residential lots and residents with similar backgrounds and family values. Why should this change to match neighboring towns. If someone doesn't like the uniqueness of our town they can always choose to live in a neighboring town. But, if we change this town to be what those towns already are, where else do the nature loving small town loving residents have to go?</p>	no change	1

No Change		
Response	Category	Qty of Responses
we moved to this town to get away from the hustle of the bigger city, keep Southwick as is	no change	1
No development. Keep Southwick a small community.	no change	1
We came to Southwick 20 years ago because of the small town feel this town offers. I hate to see a change in that moving forward. I have generally been pleased with the town and school system. I would like to keep living this way in the future. Limiting big business and increased populations of people to keep it a small town.	no change	1
Southwick is a pristine community without many of the social problems of other Western mass towns. Please let's keep it that way.	no change	1
The country feeling, the rural atmosphere of Southwick needs to be protected. There seems to be a drive to make Southwick a working destination. This is a town to live in. I do not live here because of a short drive to work, but because it is separate from the daily stress and city atmosphere.	no change	1
My overall preference is to keep Southwick's small town feel and not over populate or over develop the town to make it another Agawam.	no change	1
Southwick should be kept small and quaint like other small towns in W. MA. I have been here most of my life and it is starting to remind me of Westfield already.	no change	1
The town should stay the way it is. Encourage farmers markets and maintain an agricultural base. The age of large luxury homes in subdivisions is coming to an end. Future generations will not be able to afford these types of homes, what is our plan when we have large vacant homes and no young families to buy them? Keep industry out. Encourage small, technical businesses to thrive. Encourage the schools to stay on course. Trim the fat out of the town DPW and watch our waste spending. NO LOW INCOME HOUSING. We have TOO MUCH drug problems. DO NOT ALLOW POLICE BODY CAMERAS, we WILL lose quality police if we don't give them breathing room.	no change	1
Southwick is a great place to live It's not over population and is quiet. I would love to keep it that way through not building. Southwick as a charm that will be lost if more residential building happens.	no change	1
I would like to see Southwick stay as much as possible as the quaint little town we have now. Do not need to expand to become a mini city. Keep it simple and rural.	no change	1
More cows less pavement	no change	1
I love this town the way it is. For example, a combination of a rural/farming/neighborhood community.	no change	1
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Town Services

Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
There needs to be more for kids. Elderly and. Bullying issues. Also our roads and sidewalks need to be maintained. A project finished before new ones start. If kept up we wouldn't have issues	children activities	elderly activities	bullying	maintain roads & sidewalks	1
We pay a lot of taxes in Southwick with little services provided, other than police, fire and school system. Other towns with similar taxes receive more residential amenities. Our water supply issues need to be resolved so we are not always on a restricted use.	water bans	taxes	services		1
No public or low income housing No public transportation	housing	transportation			1
Suggest more intramural sports programs, elderly access to shopping areas like shuttle service. Aging population in town will need more mobility and access services, town is very spread out not walkable. Would like a ban on profane yard signs, makes the town look trashy	zoning	walkability	shuttle service		1
Wish there was more park & rec activities, bus trips, or travel activities, more activities for the kids to do.	recreation	children activities			1
I would love to see the creation of a new cemetery for those who choose cremation rather than burial. Two years ago, I attended the funeral of a cousin in Montgomery Ohio at the "Gates of Heaven Cemetery." What a beautiful, peaceful place! To my knowledge, there is nothing like it in the western MA area. There was a small chapel for services, a man made pond, and several walls scattered throughout the cemetery with receptacles for ashes with names and dates engraved on the bricks within each wall. Benches were nearby each wall for visitation, and there were no headstones. We could be proactive in that regard, and going to their website would give you a much clearer visual. We have the land here in Southwick to create such a needed, updated facility.	cemetery				1
We love this town and hope to enjoy it for many years to come. We like the size, the proximity, the country feel and recreational activities and would like to see those things preserved in the upcoming years. We do have concerns about services for seniors as we age here.	small town charm	senior services			1

Town Services					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
For any new development no matter what it is a full time Fire Dept is necessary for almost everything the town needs to do in the future. Fire safety is critical to any business and homeowner.	town services				1
Publish more volunteer opportunities so seniors can support those in need. Get a piano for the senior center and I will gladly donate my time to entertain the folks.	services				1
Bus service/senior transportation	services				1
Taxes are high and we do not receive any services	taxes	town services			1
Need more parking for the Rail Trail. Need to clean up pollution in the Congamond Lakes. Encourage farming/agriculture. Encourage small businesses/restaurants, etc.	LMC	agriculture	business	services	1
Need to update the zoning in town. Verizon is trying to put a cell tower in the middle of our neighborhood. That should not happen. Need better recreation. Need tennis/pickleball courts. Need an indoor pool for a swim and dive team. Need summer camps in town for kids. Need a gaga ball pit. Need better parking and access ramps to the bike path. Need more organization and town support around team sports. The rec center volunteers and after school program are great, but help is needed - both money and manpower is needed to get things done, like maintain fields, organize/relationships with other towns, etc. More organized town sponsored outings - bus trips to Red Sox games, etc. Do more with outdoor exercise - like limiting motor boats on the lake to certain times, days, areas so there can be safe activities like paddleboarding, kayaking. Town run rentals for paddleboarding and kayaking. Not enough parking or access to the lake. If stuff like this exists, it's not known. Need more team sports offered at the high school level. Can you get more teams for just the 7th and 8th graders?	zoning	recreation	LMC	services	1
Town needs to get into the 21st Century. Town trash pick-up, and fiber	services	internet			1
think of adding small plow jeeps to clear off end of driveway that town plows ALWAYS fills in, if rural Ohio could do this, so can Southwick. Stop buying land to save rich taxes and let us all get a benefit as most town bought land not accessible!	services	open space			1
We love this town. One thing at the dump, half the people don't have stickers or are from CT. Guy should be at the gate. Very happy with DPW. Lastly please allow a builder to put up more Rosewood style places. They do not use from the school system. We have a shortage of affordable housing for seniors. Thank you all. The Kellehers Southwick Hill.	thank you	services	housing		1
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**Actual Responses Below
Fiber/Internet**

Response	Category 1	Qty of Responses
Have access to more cable tv choices other than Comcast	cable TV	1
Town needs to get into the 21st Century. Town trash pick-up, and fiber	services	1
Make Southwick internet independent! If possible do what Westfield did and establish a town owned intranet infrastructure. Good for residents and good for business.	internet	1
I enjoy Southwick life. I moved from living in Chicopee all my life. I am living in my forever home. However I feel there needs to be affordable internet. Not Comcast. Also we pay double for electric over towns/ cities that have their own. We need to keep utilities affordable. Eversource is nothing but crooks. I think the town should help with maintaining trees (city and privately owned). With all these storms wires are going down. Trees falling on houses. No one has the cost to trim dead branches and so on. I take care of the short trees but some are skyscrapers. In my short time in town I have seen several uprooted trees. I even have put my flashers on in traffic to clear branches after a storm blocking a roadway.	internet/cable	1
Whip city fiber please , and open dispensary	internet	1
When I lived in Westfield we had whip city fiber and worked wonderful, comcast was getting way to pricey and now back in the same situation. Then I learned that it was voted out by our selectman witch was a very poor decision and disappointing one. Glad it's back on the table but this seems like the process is slow, maybe people in there are hoping it fizzles out?	internet/cable	1
Why don't we have another option for internet service like Whip City Fiber?	internet	1
For paying over 8 thousand a year in property taxes we have poor internet, roads that are bad and getting worse, half the town has no city water or sewer plus trash pickup. Selectmen should be ashamed of the way the town is going	taxes	1
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Allow other cable tv in Southwick so people on lower income can afford it. Springfield has senior discounts, why doesn't Southwick	internet/cable	1
Would love to see more Tech related industry brought into town. We really need fiber internet access.	internet	1
Town needs its own internet company or at least Spectrum	internet/cable	1
Please, please, please, please, for the love of God, invest in Fiber internet. I cannot stress this enough.	internet	1
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Recreation

Response

Category 1

Category 2

Category 3

Category 4

Qty of Responses

I would like to see the agricultural, wildlife and recreational nature of the community protected and expanded upon for any new business or residential development opportunities.

agriculture

open space

recreation

1

Southwick roots: Agriculture and Recreation-these should be protected and expanded.

agriculture

recreation

1

We are supposed to be a recreational town however, there is barely anywhere we are able to ride (snowmobiles, quads, dirt bikes, side by sides) without having to worry about getting in trouble! There are so many worse things that people could be doing instead, let us and our children live!!!!

recreation

1

Reduce taxes, resolve the water restriction issues, improve the roads and improve educational opportunities for students and young adults; bring sports and entertainment to the area to keep youth engaged in positive life activities.

taxes

water bans

schools

recreation

1

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zoning

recreation

LMC

services

1

Wish there was more park & rec activities, bus trips, or travel activities, more activities for the kids to do.

recreation

children activities

1

Please come up with a public area snowmobilers can ride safely without getting in trouble.

recreation

1

Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Southwick is a "recreational community", there is nowhere you can legally ride a snowmobile or a dirt bike. Open the rail trail to snowmobiles in the winter time and the open space on South Longyard to both dirt bikes and sleds. It generates income for the town	recreation				1
Keep Southwick a recreational town. It's been going away from that since we moved in.	recreation				1
Way too long of a survey. Questions need improvement. No questions about the park and rec department which needs attention.	master plan	recreation			1
I feel that we need to give our children a place to live where they can say when they grow up,,, remember when we did this etc..... I feel the sporting activities are lacking compared to 15 -20 years ago	recreation				1
Because of age, my activities have been more and more limited, but I used to greatly enjoy trail hiking, bird watching, road biking, occasional swimming, lots of tennis, snowshoeing, cross country skiing, and some ice skating. I don't live near the lakes, but from what I read and have heard over the years, the lakes' committee has put much effort and many hours toward maintenance. They could use some help! Thank you for the time and effort you are giving for all of us.	thank you	LMC	recreation		1
Would like to see farming and recreation (lakes) to continue to be favorable to town residents. If housing continues to increase at the rate it is presently, the atmosphere of the town will be ruined.	agriculture	recreation	housing		1
The master plan needs to address and change any of the towns zoning laws that are outdated or that need to be updated/changed in order to prevent any business development that would alter the recreational character of the town.	zoning	recreation	business		1
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Actual Responses Below Communication				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
I would like some discussion at the community outreach meetings on the commercial vs residential tax income to the Town. Our town leaders like to say we have an 'imbalance' and we, the residents, need some understanding of this math and the concerns.	taxes	town communication		1
Town should have public forum, over communication and votes	town communication			1
Given we no longer have a town newspaper how will the survey results be disseminated to Southwick residents?	communication			1
Glad the town residents have a voice now.	communication			1
Good Luck, looking forward to outcome	communication			1
Please provide more transparency/education regarding water use restriction. I agree we need to conserve water, however the mandatory water restriction was implemented very early on in the summer over the past 2-3 years with little explanation. You might get better compliance by offering more information related to the decision to implement this restriction. Thank you for the opportunity to share our thoughts!	water bans	communication		1
Committee should also look into issues such as collaboration/cooperation with Suffield, state governments (CT, MA) to get all residences on the Congamond Lakes on the sewer system to help assure future water quality. Recent heat waves seem to have contributed to closing of town beach due to higher than acceptable levels of e-coli. Such occurrences are likely to continue and be exacerbated due to any such discharge in the lakes. What kind of a Southwick future would it be if the Congamond Lakes are toxic and not usable?	LMC	communication		1
Excited to see the survey results and what's going to happen with the future of Southwick!	communication			1

Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
Eliminate preponderance of deal making between upper levels of government while negotiating with business interests. Before any larger plans for development of Residential areas are formulated and finalized affected residents need to be notified for their input into the process.	town govt	communication		1
I just moved to Southwick and would like to be involved in Town Meetings, as well as knowing what type of volunteer opportunities exist within the community.	communication			1
a shorter questionnaire with an update would be good as you progress	master plan	communication		1
Publish more volunteer opportunities so seniors can support those in need. Get a piano for the senior center and I will gladly donate my time to entertain the folks.	services	communication		1
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Actual Responses Below

Schools

Response

	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
1. Would like to see the Economic Development Council be more active to promote shopping at local businesses & farm stands in town instead of going out of town, plus see them be more active in drawing businesses into town to occupy vacant buildings 2. Southwick schools need to focus on having a greater diversity in schools and not just focus on the student athletes - same with the school committee; the town needs more than just student athlete parents on the board	business	agriculture	schools		1
I'm willing to be taxed more to enhance the quality of our Town for us residents. Sidewalks, school funding, road fixes and improvements, building of single-family dwellings to increase population and tax revenues.	taxes	schools	infrastructure	housing	1
I wish there was more in here about the future direction of our schools. This is important to families. The next generation will need to deal with what they inherit. Will they be ready?	schools				1
Reduce taxes, resolve the water restriction issues, improve the roads and improve educational opportunities for students and young adults; bring sports and entertainment to the area to keep youth engaged in positive life activities.	taxes	water bans	schools	recreation	1
Housing apartments could be at Pioneer Dairy. More things for Young adults to do Better schools that really are transparent and realize that most of our students stay close to town so let's make thier education count and not just shuffle the papers Maybe some senior/public transportation More tasteful industry to add to our tax revenue not cannabis. Or vape shops or Dollar Stores. Add some Restaurants. Make the center look more inviting Signage lights sidewalks. Benches Our community could be a destination and we don't make any effort	housing	schools	beautification	business	1
Where are the options on lowering taxes? Removing CRT? Resisting ESG? Improve the right to support business, i.e. Carvana.	taxes	schools	business		1
move forward but not too fast, limit housing so school systems don't get overwhelmed	housing	schools	controlled growth		1
Most important to me is to improve the schools and education in town,	schools				1
Thank you!! Keep Southwick Green! Keep Corporations Out and invest in LOCAL business, LOCAL farming, and LOCAL education!!! Peace and God Bless!	thank you	agriculture	business	schools	1

Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
VERY MUCH APPRECIATE THE EFFORT TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR TOWN GROWTH AND DIRECTION. ACCOMMODATION FOR TAX RELIEF FOR OVER 55 AGE SENIOR COMMUNITIES WHICH CURRENTLY PAY 100% TAX RATE YET DO NOT USE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM. SOME SORT OF % RELIEF WHILE STILL RECOGNIZING WE NEED TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOLS..	thank you	taxes	schools		1
					10

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**Actual Responses Below
Beautification**

Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Let's grow a thriving beautiful Southwick	controlled growth	beautification			1
Why are there no laws, or enforcement of the laws in regard to unkept property and littering of unregistered vehicles?	zoning	beautification			1
Overall, the town feels very outdated compared to some neighboring towns. In order to attract new, younger families (who would also be great for the schools), we could really use substantial updates to the town center, as well as fresh, unique retail and dining options. Family friendly events are lacking and, for me personally, it's not far to travel to find these options available in other nearby towns (Simsbury, Granby, CT, etc.). The lake could be a huge draw for residents and out of towners alike to enjoy, but it needs a lot of work to be considered a quality recreational destination. Sprucing up our downtown and lake areas will better serve our community, providing more leisure opportunities and helping to modernize a town that hasn't reached its full potential. I feel there is a lot we can update for the better, without sacrificing the rural integrity of the town.	LMC	business	small town charm	beautification	1
Housing apartments could be at Pioneer Dairy More things for young adults to do Better schools that really are transparent and realize that most of our students stay close to town so let's make thier education count and not just shuffle the papers Maybe some senior/public transportation More tasteful industry to add to our tax revenue not cannabis. Or vape shops or Dollar Stores. Add some. Restaurants Make the center look more inviting; Signage, lights, sidewalks and benches Our community could be a destination and we don't make any effort	housing	schools	beautification	business	1
Many small communities we visit have a welcoming common on their entry to town. Would love to see that in Southwick as part of its rural and country flare.	small town charm	beautification			1

Beautification					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Let's grow a thriving beautiful Southwick	controlled growth	beautification			1
Stop spending money on social programs and low income development. Encourage businesses on College Highway. Make the town look and feel more like a quintessential sleepy New England town. I don't want development!	housing	business	beautification		1
Please build a Trader Joe's. Bring on the high class, healthful improvements to our community! Conserve agriculture and beautiful open spaces.	agriculture	beautification	business	open space	1
1. Southwick should review local towns in MA and CT and emulate those which have successfully promoted developing and maintaining an attractive New England character. 2. Every commercial development approval should require architectural and landscape features that IMPROVE the appearance of the town - Examples: Good: Big Y, former Key Bank Poor: Ocean State Job Lot, Tractor Supply, Family Dollar, Walgreens	controlled growth	beautification			1
Our main focus for development should maintaining the rural aesthetic appeal of Southwick while still encouraging growth. Many of our neighboring towns in CT have done a nice job of this by regulating the design of businesses and focusing on greenspace and trees. We need to focus on creating an upscale, historical looking, clean town center that makes people want to walk the main streets and shop. Housing development shouldn't be discouraged but should be required to have minimum lot sizes (ideally 1.5 acres) and protect our mature trees while planting new. New housing developments should be designed in such a way that the entry to the neighborhood from the main road is disguised so that the tree-filled rural feel is maintained while driving through Southwick. Designing neighborhoods with ponds for non-motorized boating and fishing would also be a plus. Underground wires should also be required. Zoning should be highly regulated for industrial use such as cell towers and alternative energy. Very clear regulations keeping these away from private residences and established neighborhoods are a must.	small town charm	beautification	housing	zoning	1
We need careful planning for business and residential development. More attention should be given to the impact on our resources and the impact on the visual appearance of our town.	housing	controlled growth	beautification	resources	1
					10

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Actual Responses Below				
Open Space				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
Keep up the good work...appreciate your efforts. Southwick has a opportunity to preserve its natural setting and promote life balance through easy access to natural resources while conveniently located to infrastructure (highways, airport, shopping malls, grocery). This will be valued as more communities give way to over development	thank you	open space	no change	1
I would like to see the agricultural, wildlife and recreational nature of the community protected and expanded upon for any new business or residential development opportunities.	agriculture	open space	recreation	1
I believe Southwick has the potential to improve itself by embracing what already makes our town great- community, nature, and recreation- while also looking to the future and making our town greener and more affordable to all income levels. We need to look forward and support the future generations more than anything- they're the ones who will be living here and running things 20 years from now.	open space	housing		1
I would like to see Southwick remain agricultural and rural with small businesses that provide a service to the town. I would like to see minimal development of land for housing and business. I would like to see more green spaces and less industrial spaces and less traffic if possible.	agriculture	open space	housing	1
I'm very happy to have lived here for over 30 years. But all the development saddens me and the loss of beautiful land. Southwick is losing its small town feel but it's inevitable as it has happened to other towns. It's a shame that housing has become so expensive now, that many folks are priced out of purchasing a home here. Still it's a nice town to live and raise a family!!	small town charm	housing	open space	1
Please build a Trader Joe's. Bring on the high class, healthful improvements to our community! Conserve agriculture and beautiful open spaces.	agriculture	beautification	business	1
Commercial/industrial growth needs to be increased to stabilize residential tax base. It demands less service from the town. We have enough open space and town owned land. The town should not be the biggest landowner. This property is removed from the tax roll and places a higher tax burden on the residential taxpayer.	taxes	business	open space	1
Small town, Farming, Family owned business Less development Remodel the buildings we have instead of building new, leave the open space for the wildlife.	small town charm	agriculture	open space	1

Open Space				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
think of adding small plow jeeps to clear off end of driveway that town plows ALWAYS fills in, If rural Ohio could do this, so can Southwick. Stop buying land to save rich taxes and let us all get a benefit as most town bought land is not accessible!	services	open space		1
We moved to this town in 2004 due to the rural aspects and feel of the town. We are hoping much of the farmland and open spaces will be permanently preserved.	agriculture	open space		1
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Actual Responses Below				
Zoning				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
Pls consider rezoning the parcel on Tannery and College Highway to residential.	zoning			1
We would like to have the ability to put solar panels in our backyard vs on our house.	zoning			1
Need to update the zoning in town. Verizon is trying to put a cell tower in the middle of our neighborhood. That should not happen. Need better recreation. Need tennis/pickleball courts. Need an indoor pool for a swim and dive team. Need summer camps in town for kids. Need a gaga ball pit. Need better parking and access ramps to the bike path. Need more organization and town support around team sports. The rec center volunteers and after school program are great, but help is needed - both money and manpower is needed to get things done, like maintain fields, organize/relationships with other towns, etc. More organized town sponsored outings - bus trips to Red Sox games, etc. Do more with outdoor exercise - like limiting motor boats on the lake to certain times, days, areas so there can be safe activities like paddleboarding, kayaking. Town run rentals for paddleboarding and kayaking. Not enough parking or access to the lake. If stuff like this exists, it's not known. Need more team sports offered at the high school level. Can you get more teams for just the 7th and 8th graders?	zoning	recreation	LMC	1
Suggest more intramural sports programs, elderly access to shopping areas like shuttle service. Aging population in town will need more mobility and access services, town is very spread out not walkable. Would like a ban on profane yard signs, makes the town look trashy	zoning	infrastructure	services	1
Why are there no laws, or enforcement of the laws in regard to unkept property and littering of unregistered vehicles?	zoning	beautification		1
Something in writing limiting anyone to start a marina if they have the land and enough parking. Also people operating business's that rent boats on the lake that do not run the business on the lake. Especially the influx of Jet Skiers who rent and have never operated. Super dangerous out there on the water compared to years past. MA to require a boating safety/PWC course like CT does.	LMC	zoning		1

Zoning				
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Qty of Responses
This Town needs to update its GIS mapping, its regulations relative to existing structures and property size.	zoning			1
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The master plan needs to address and change any of the towns zoning laws that are outdated or that need to be updated/changed in order to prevent any business development that would alter the recreational character of the town.	zoning	recreation	business	1
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**Actual Responses Below
Conservation**

Response

Category
1

Category
2

Category
3

Category
4

Qty of
Responses

The Lake Management Committee should study the boating capacity of Congamond Lake and if justified look into the use of a reservation system to control the number of watercraft using the lake.

LMC

Con Com

1

Save the shore line on North Pond that the town bought. This is where boats are able to dock on shore and enjoy time with their family.

Con Com

1

We own a small boat and we enjoy boating on Congamond. I feel that residents of Southwick should be exempt from the launch fee. As it relates to Congamond I would like to see the Town work with the State regarding resident vs non-resident fees.

LMC

Con com

1

LMC

Con Com

1

Limit boat engine size and noise level produced on lake Congamond. It is not necessarily a relaxing place to be on weekends. Or a safe place for boating! We intentionally plan around busy times to do our boating(skiing/tubing),, motorized and non- motorized(kayaking) for safety reasons. We own property on the lake. I don't think we should feel the need to limit our own boating or swimming area due to overcrowding and irresponsible boaters.

LMC

Con Com

1

As someone that moved here 25 years ago, I have seen Southwick's improvement first hand. More housing developments will only mean more stress on the agricultural integrity and water quality of this unique town. More slips on the lake will only mean more crowding and accidents, both minor and tragic. We have had a boat on the lake for the 25 years we have lived here and it is getting to the point that it isn't even enjoyable because of the number of watercraft on the lake. No more marinas please!

LMC

Con Com

housing

water
supply

1

rather than mowing the weeds in the lakes look into a weevil that eats the weeds and only reproduces as needed in relation to number of weeds - fish and human safe... Great Barrington did this some 20 years ago with great success

LMC

Con Com

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Actual Responses Below
Town Government

Response

Category 1

Category 2

Category 3

Category 4

Qty of
Responses

Changing the town meeting form of government should be a priority. Important issues should be put to a ballot vote instead of packing the high school with partisan folks which might not be representative of the majority of town residents.

town gov't

1

It is time to change the political structure in town. I've been told our population is declining in town so a change isn't necessary, but I don't care about that part. The Carvana debacle exposed the huge weakness in town which is the present political structure in place. The cronies that think they run this town are not helping the overall wellness of this town, they are simply keeping their own self interests intact.

town gov't

1

1. We really feel that the fact that there is no difference in the tax rate for residential vs business use is detrimental to the quality of life in the town. If businesses want to come to Southwick they should be willing to contribute to maintaining the quality of life for the residents via a higher tax base. 2. We also feel that in order to more fairly represent (and encourage) diversity in town government the select board should be increased from 3 members to 5.

taxes

town gov't

1

Most important need to expand the select board from 3 to 5 or 7.

town gov't

1

Town bylaws need strengthening to remove the ambiguity of interpretation that allows boards too much discretion in the approval process. The weak wording of many bylaws opens the door to inconsistent and biased decisions. It is common to hear elected officials acknowledge confusion over the wording and intentions of bylaws. There are no resources that provide for the consistent and legal application of many town bylaws. Each succession of board members has no frame of reference in understanding why past decisions were made because the bylaws and past decisions provided way too much unfounded support. The Southwick bylaws need widespread improvement/rewriting. Otherwise, unchecked inconsistency and bias will continue.

town gov't

1

Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Thank you for your work. Please offer opportunities for discussion/feedback on specific items that cannot be nuanced in a questionnaire. Make sure that the plan comes before Town Meeting and gets approved. Otherwise, your hard work will have been in vain. At all costs, PROTECT THE AQUIFER! Stop gated communities that practice sub-standard development and then expect the town to assume responsibility. Enforcement of existing bylaws should be written into their language and funded. The current culture in town is for people to do whatever they please because town officials a) don't know about it, b) enforce it selectively, c) the damage can't be undone. Offenders should be made to pay for real restoration of damages. Support attendance at workshops and conferences for town board and committee members. Committee members should be rewarded for their participation by continuing reappointment rather than by being dismissed for political reasons.	thank you	master plan	water supply	town gov't	1
Eliminate preponderance of deal making between upper levels of government while negotiating with business interests. Before any larger plans for development of Residential areas are formulated and finalized affected residents need to be notified for their input into the process.	town gov't	communication			1
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Actual Responses Below**Litter****Response**

Category 1

Category 2

Category 3

Category 4

Qty of Responses

Speed tables on residential streets. Cleaning up litter!
 I disagree with the police/fire/ambulance dispatch moving to Westfield. We need to keep it in Southwick especially if we are a growing town. Our dispatchers know our town. We need to do something to encourage farm growth in Southwick. More farmers are retiring and no one is taking over the farms. We should offer some kind of tax break or something to farmers to encourage farms to be sold to new owners. Something needs to be done asap about the trash around the lake and bike path. We need to hire more town staff or have park staff. It has gotten out of control. North pond violators need to be ticketed and fined. If no boats are allowed there they should be ticketed. If we don't have the police to do this more police need to be hired.

infrastructure

litter

1

agriculture

taxes

litter

policing

1

The North Pond Conservation Area needs clear, permanent signage stating the rules. Parking and trash are issues. Continued community education and outreach is needed. There are too many boats on Congamond. Boaters are uneducated and do not adhere to lake or boating rules. There is no enforcement or education taking place. The police are not a presence. The buoys need lights at night. Saving North Pond and fighting against Carvana is something this town should be proud. Make pot stores legal - we are losing tons of money. Get Trader Joe's here. I grew up working in the tobacco fields and riding my horse along the wooded trails of Southwick. I lived in Westfield, but spent almost all my time in Southwick. I had an awesome childhood growing up, working my first job and playing in Southwick. Now I live on and play in Congamond. I love Southwick and feel blessed to have grown up and now live here.

litter

LMC

business

dispensary

1

Somehow educate boaters on the lakes even just the simple things like going the correct way, how far to stay away from other boats and summers - common courtesy when boating - keep trash in the boat - general safety.

LMC

litter

1

That new access to North Pond needs a better trash system. It is often loaded with trash and loose bags. Reminds me of Springfield.

litter

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Actual Responses Below
Parks

Response**Category 1****Category 2****Category 3****Category 4****Qty of Responses**

I mentioned dog park briefly, but that should be something that is considered. Agawam has a great one.

dog park

1

Sidewalks, parks, landscaping, mosquito control would all benefit the community

infrastructure

parks

1

Southwick is a great town but needs major improvements like the Schools , water systems , roads need paving ,trash removal, full time fire and ambulance services and commerce besides dollar tree ocean state job lot and car stores . Also We need sidewalks and parks with events for kids including a summer splash pad at park. The lake should have events for residents to partake in such as concerts by the lake ; activities for kids during summer at town beach ; fishing tournaments; etc....community center should host teen night , dances , bingo , and socials for residents . We need to spruce up the town as it looks so dated and run down. Southwick has the beauty of Mother Nature and should use it . Pickleball bocce and basketball courts near lake would be great with nightly concerts or outdoor movies in summer . Please make Southwick better

infrastructure

business

parks

other

1

love the town. Would like to bring more business in to help bring our property taxes down, offset improvements throughout the town. More Rails to trail expansion!@

small town
charm

business

parks

taxes

1

I love the country feel of Southwick however it's too behind it's time. The town is growing yet the schools roads water and parks are not adequate. We pay a lot in taxes and don't see the returns for home owners . Roads are full of pot holes , schools are okay , parks are so definitely need a splash pad, no community center with activities like swimming , basketball , Pickleball etc.... , rec center is falling apart , we need some commercial stores in town besides banks Dollar Trees and auto part stores . It all makes town look cheap . A Trader Joe's or Starbucks would bring tons of revenue to town. Develop a nice looking strip mall for new shops . This town looks and feels old .

infrastructure

parks

business

1

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Actual Responses Below					
Political					
Response	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Qty of Responses
Work more for those you represent and not special interest groups -- eventually you will destroy the gem we have. Invest more in saving our agriculture community which made our town what it is today. Restore our confidence in those representing us.	agriculture	too political			1
We need to make educated and well thought out decisions, we need to stay informed, we need to get away from pitch forks and torches reactions.	too political	controlled growth			1
					2