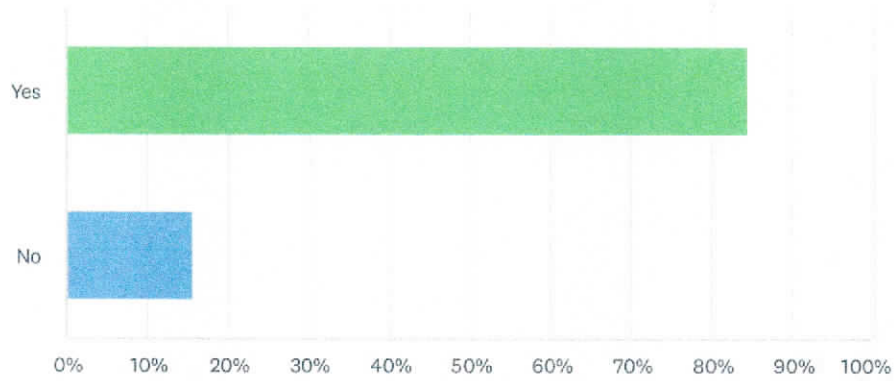


Q2 Are you a full time Franconia resident?

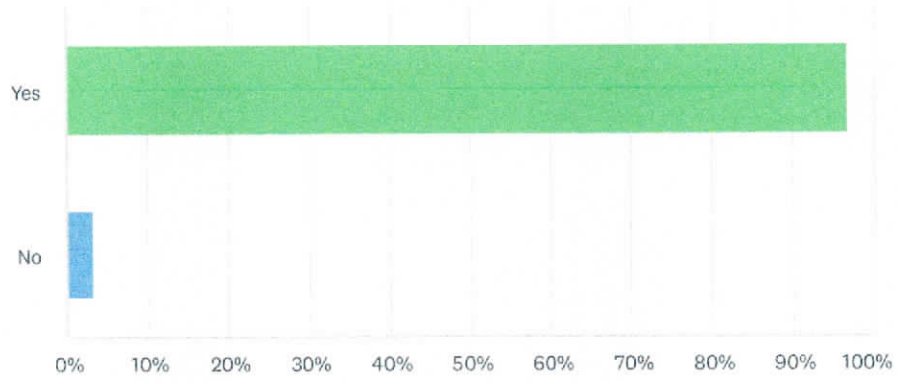
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	84.43%	103
No	15.57%	19
TOTAL		122

Q3 Do you own or rent your home?

Answered: 122 Skipped: 0



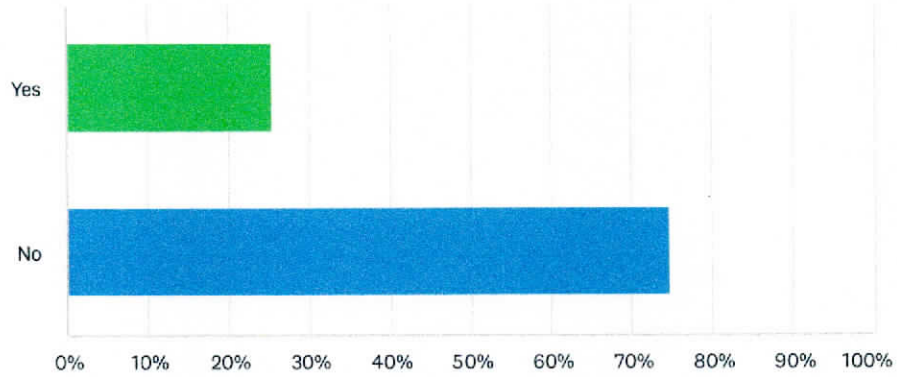
ANSWER CHOICES

RESPONSES

Yes	96.72%	118
No	3.28%	4
TOTAL		122

Q4 Do you own a second home or other property in Franconia? Please specify

Answered: 122 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	25.41%	31
No	74.59%	91
TOTAL		122

QUESTION 4, COMMENTS: 32

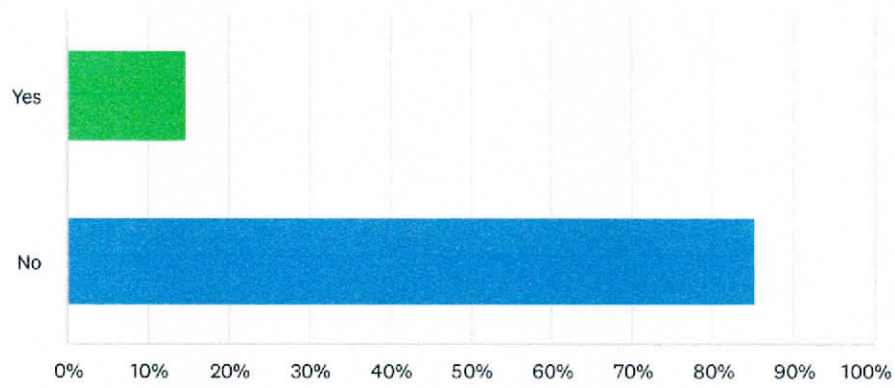
1. rental & other family members
2. other property
3. Trailer in Fox Hill Park
4. Comment for number 3: no houses to rent here
5. Own 1 home as noted in #3
6. Land
7. Westwood, MA
8. FL
9. A second home for guests
10. property on Windago Lane
11. Land
12. Second home
13. Family summer house
14. Sold 2nd home to Granddaughter
15. Lot
16. own full time home
17. 2 houses 3 lots
18. rental property
19. Summer Home for large family visits
20. Mittersill
21. Iron Furnace Brewing
22. 262 Main Street
23. Own home in Franconia
24. Building a full time home in Franconia
- 25 I live in RI and own a second home in Franconia
26. Question 3 is invalid. We own our home

27. Own my primary home and another home in Franconia
28. yes - we own a second home in Franconia
29. Apt
30. Currently building a new home on land owned for many years.
31. own a primary residence that is not rented out
32. condo at Dow Academy

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Q5 Do you have school aged children?

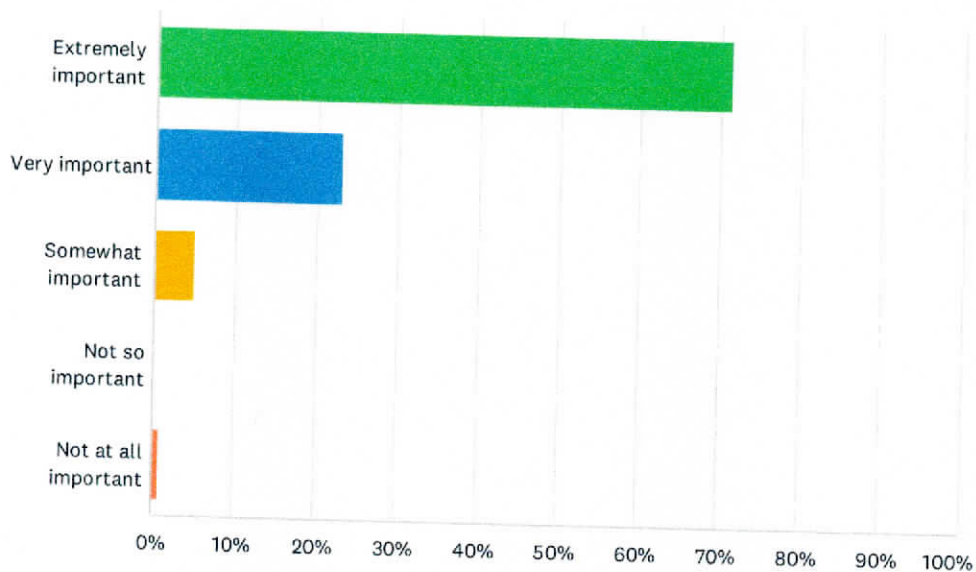
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	14.75%	18
No	85.25%	104
TOTAL		122

Q6 How important is maintaining Franconia's natural landscape?

Answered: 122 Skipped: 0



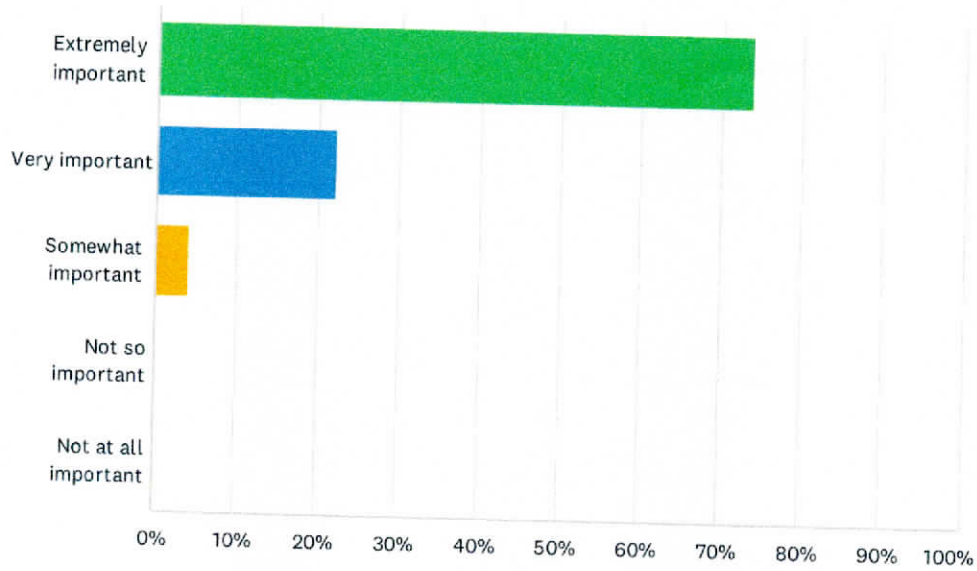
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	71.31%	87
Very important	22.95%	28
Somewhat important	4.92%	6
Not so important	0.00%	0
Not at all important	0.82%	1
TOTAL		122

QUESTION 6, COMMENTS: 7

1. is important but we need housing that locals can afford, and we need more year round residents instead of seasonal people. It doesn't really feel like a community. :(
2. Keeping the forested landcover, maintaining clean watersheds (and restoring those that need ecosystem repair, such as the Ham Branch and the downstream end of the Gale past Sugar Hill Bridge), and maintaining and improving the wildlife corridors is essential in this age of climate change. Too much has been sacrificed with the development habits of the past 20 years, and particularly the past 5 years. We are seeing more invasive plant species, and wildlife corridors are disrupted. People new to town (and some not new) need education on such things as maintaining riparian buffers and using native plantings.
3. This is who we are so we need to preserve it!
4. I am pleased with how the locals have developed this town. It is a beautiful town with many activities devoted to nature and a simple, quality life for the community. We like it the way it is and that is why we retired here,
5. I love living in Franconia for the peace I get when I look around me.
6. 'Maintaining' here should mean 'protecting' or 'not interfering with'
7. It is what we are.

Q7 How important is conserving scenic areas, natural resources, open space and scenic views?

Answered: 122 Skipped: 0



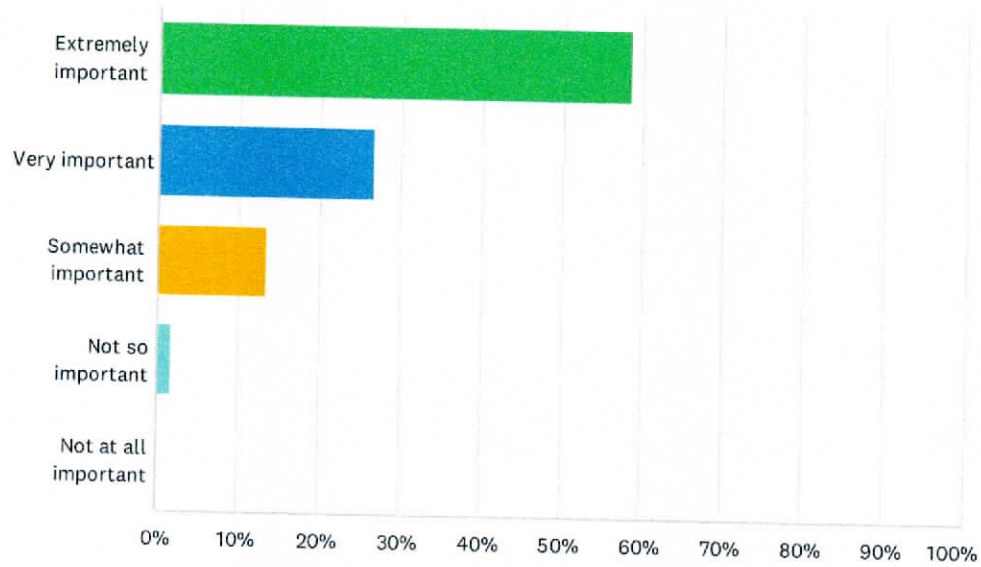
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	73.77%	90
Very important	22.13%	27
Somewhat important	4.10%	5
Not so important	0.00%	0
Not at all important	0.00%	0
TOTAL		122

QUESTION 7, COMMENTS: 4

1. Same comment as above. It is lovely to think about keeping everything the same, but it has gotten worst in the past few years with our kids not able to afford to stay here.
2. Natural resources are my chief concern in this question, not the "scenic views" and "open space" part of the question. Scenic views are minimally important, since this area was forested before European colonization. Forests and floodplain successional habitat (such as is created and re-created by beavers) are essential for maintaining clean water. (And see above comment).
3. We need to maintain our attractive place in the State-it is what draws people to us to live here and play here.
4. Franconia is a very beautiful area. I marvel at the views daily.

Q8 How important is expanding and maintaining access to parks, trails, village greenspace and outdoor recreation?

Answered: 120 Skipped: 2



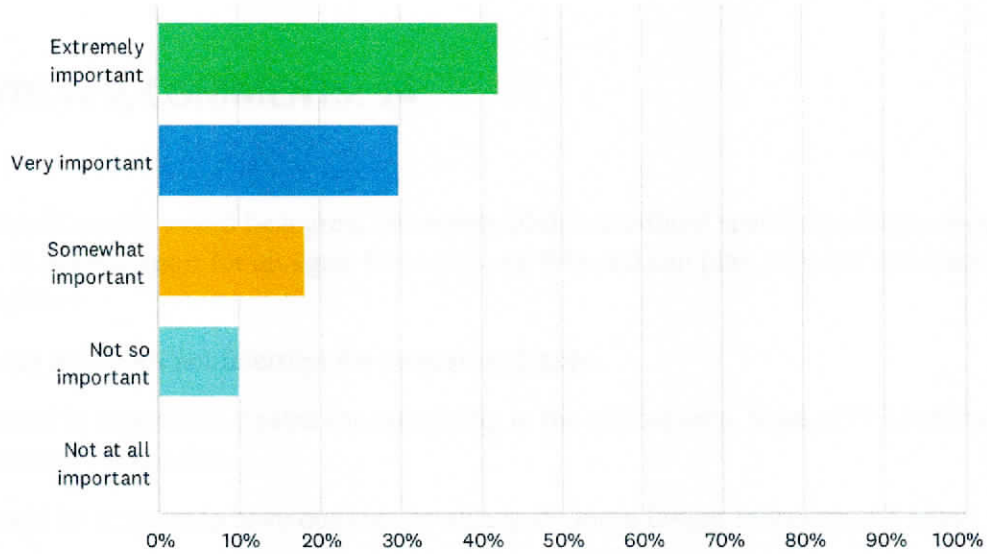
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	58.33%	70
Very important	26.67%	32
Somewhat important	13.33%	16
Not so important	1.67%	2
Not at all important	0.00%	0
TOTAL		120

QUESTION 8, COMMENTS: 9

1. As long as it does not interrupt the natural landscape
2. I am assuming this question means non-motorized outdoor recreation. Motorized recreation interferes with wildlife and pollutes the natural environment.
3. Maintaining
4. including access for elderly and residents with special mobility needs
5. Maintaining--YES Expanding---No
6. Expanding outdoor recreation is very important - but the question arises about trail maintenance, safety, and proper trash removal. Not everyone is nature conscious pack in/out etc.
7. Maintaining continuity of existing trail systems via easements as development occurs would be very helpful.
8. Not so sure about the expanding bit, but definitely the bit about maintaining what is already there
9. We are in danger of being "loved to death" with the exposure we now have.

Q9 How important is improving bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure?

Answered: 121 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	42.15%	51
Very important	29.75%	36
Somewhat important	18.18%	22
Not so important	9.92%	12
Not at all important	0.00%	0
TOTAL		121

QUESTION 9, COMMENTS: 14

1. 5+

2. Pickleball courts would be a great recreation addition without spending a large amount of money. It is a fun sport for all ages. We are in our 80's and can play with our children and grandchildren

3. As long as it does not interrupt the natural landscape

4. We need to expand bike paths for safe riding in the village area. State of NH needs road improvement / bike lanes.

5. It would be so great to have our kids be able to do more biking in their home town!

6. We are a recreational town so these efforts play directly into that identity. Plus, they keep citizens active and healthy!

7. Enjoy walking to/from downtown - not very pedestrian friendly once a mile out of town. Enjoy riding my bike - no bike lane.

8. For me this is essential to Franconia's economic future success, in bringing in both visitors and residents.

9. A bike lane along 116 could reduce risk if acceptable to property owners and funded privately.

10. The pedestrian infrastructure in the business district is weak

11. Extremely important, but be cautious about widening Route 18 and Rt 116 to accommodate bicycle traffic as the State DOT will turn those roads into highways.

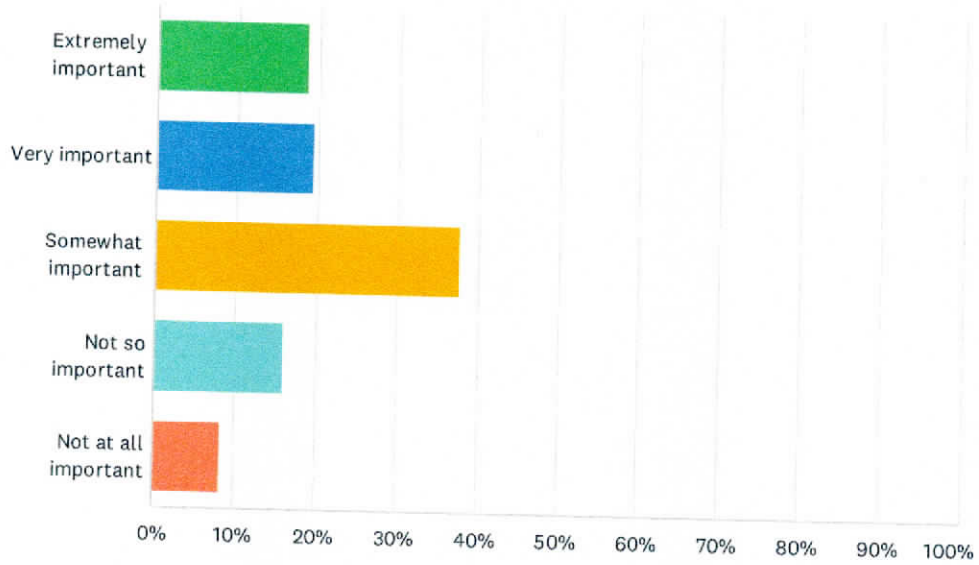
12. Not sure what you mean by infrastructure...that sounds very involved i.e. expensive.

13. Enforcing speed limits would be a huge help on Easton Rd

14. Not sure how well bikes and walkers will mix on narrow trails especially if there is high density usage.

Q10 How important is promoting more commercial and business development in town?

Answered: 119 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	18.49%	22
Very important	19.33%	23
Somewhat important	37.82%	45
Not so important	15.97%	19
Not at all important	8.40%	10
TOTAL		119

QUESTION 10, COMMENTS:

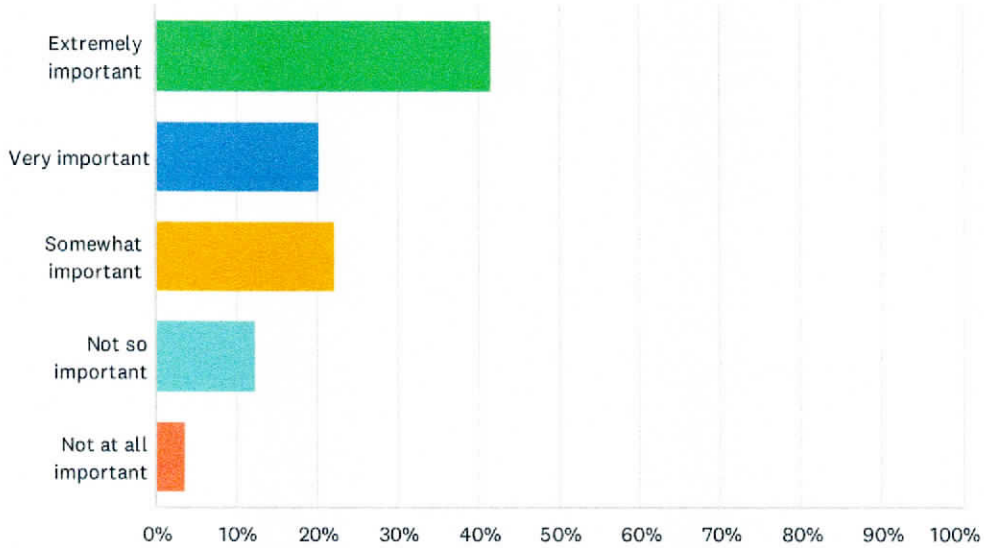
1. Is there room on Main Street for more? Where would more go?
2. Local business, not chain stores. Keep the charm, increase the opportunity to buy local and fix up what is poorly kept up on Main Street.
3. Well planned development
4. 3 1/2
5. Residents need jobs and supporting small businesses is important to the sustainability of the community
6. We have everything we need. Just need to keep those businesses thriving.
7. There is too much emphasis on development generally. The planning board needs less focus on it in their membership make-up.
8. It would be nice to attract small retail shops and to create a walkable town with various spots to visit.
9. What does this mean though? Promoting business is important but there should be no new commercial construction.
10. Small businesses yes but no chains big things
11. A good mix of business can create energy and identity for the village center. Attracting and welcoming entrepreneurs can benefit the town in myriad ways.
12. The beauty of the town is that there isn't a lot of commercial and business development
13. important to promote business while maintaining the present image without changing the current ambience and pace of life
14. It's extremely important for the tax base, but the type of business is also extremely important - I.e no fast food or large box stores - start-ups and mom-pop stores would be a nice addition. I appreciate the fact that Presby renovated the grocery store, the flower shop. All tastefully done. The gas station is also an improvement.
15. It depends on what type of business. Businesses that are complementary to the psyche of the town would be great, such as shops and restaurants. Other types, such as industry, maybe not so much.
16. I think this is important but also want downtown Franconia to remain a small, low key village and not become Loon or Stowe.

17. Small businesses/shops/restaurants would be nice...not commercial chains
18. Local people need jobs and services. Commercial and business development needs to be in harmony with preserving our natural landscape.
19. It depends on the type of business.
20. It is very important for Franconia to have a vibrant business center.
21. Important to keep the village atmosphere in the village area
22. There is enough variety in downtown. Littleton is not that far. I wouldn't want Franconia to lose the small town feel.
23. With the opening of the Market, pretty much all needs of residents are met. There needs to be a persuasive business case that expanded business would benefit the town and the costs and benefits should be explicit.
24. It's important to have active stores and businesses in the village or commercial district which keeps the town thriving. It also brings visitors from near and far to the town.
25. If anyone wants the strip mall experience they can hit Lincoln or North Conway. The fact that things here are natural and not developed is what makes us different.
26. No large scale commercial business should be in Franconia, only small businesses who employ local individuals

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Q11 How important is improving regulations on short term rentals such as Airbnb?

Answered: 113 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	41.59%	47
Very important	20.35%	23
Somewhat important	22.12%	25
Not so important	12.39%	14
Not at all important	3.54%	4
TOTAL		113

QUESTION 11, COMMENTS: 24

1. They are often loud. They are sometimes obnoxious. They have no investment in the community. And low priced homes and even apartment buildings are being lost to AirBnB sometimes even to local rich people who should know better or at least care.
2. Absolutely! It's out of control!
3. Is this why locals can't find any rentals? There are no rentals!
4. We should not be over-regulating short-term rentals if we want to drive more visitors to enjoy and support the area.
5. The rapid emergence of Air BnB is a big problem in Franconia (and surrounding towns) by its removing affordable apartments and homes from the rental or purchase market. It also removes places for young families with kids to live, which decreases the size of the school, and thus decreases some of the per-student federal/state funds for local education. Local Air BnB owners claim they upgrade the look of their buildings, but that doesn't mitigate the damage done to modest-middle income people who can't find an affordable place to buy. And, short-term rentals also need to pay the same commercial property taxes that motels and inns pay, rather than being able to pay residential home rates. Lastly, there needs to be accountability to neighbors. If we had a nuisance motel occupant, there are ways to contact and deal with owners. This is not the case with short-term rentals, except for those rare ones with the owner living on site. (This latter situation would mitigate some of the issues.)
6. Airbnb's bring tourist money to the area, so I support having them. They are a convenience for many people with children and/or pets.
7. weight limits/garbage trucks on scenic roads and dirt roads maintained by the town. Casella is using very large trucks on Ridge Road.
8. Not clear what is meant here but there clearly are lots of investors and multi-home owners running airbnb's in town particularly in the last 2 years. I view this *almost* as a commercial venture in town that consumes town resources and increases traffic and congestion. Franconia seems more suburban to me than it used to.
9. There are houses in town that are used for short-term rentals that list occupancy as much higher than their septic systems likely allow. Some of these are quite close to water sources. The prevalence of these rentals also create a public safety issue if there are emergencies, as one may not know who is inside or the renters may not be able to contact the owners quickly. These rentals also take up much needed and necessary housing supplies for long term residents.
10. This issue needs to be addressed before it spirals out of control. Zoning is necessary.
11. We need to figure out how to balance the number of rentals with the second homes and year round residences.

12. I see this as a problem for our community if it does not have some serious regulation. Outsiders being up property and renting to whomever, large numbers filling up small homes, putting stress on water usage, plumbing concerns excessive noise, and neighborhood disruption.

13. Not sure what the question is - traffic control? Noise control?

14. We need to make it affordable for young families that aren't trust fund babies to live in the town. I've heard some ideas other towns are doing to address this issue and like the idea that if you don't live in the town there is an added tax or only residents can have Airbnbs. I also liked the idea of what Conway tried with Airbnbs not being residential in regards to zoning but sounds like they had to back away from that.

15. Wish there were less short term rentals and more locals in those homes!

16. I don't know what the current regulations are nor why we would need to improve them

17. I can't answer, I have no knowledge of the current regulations or the extent to which properties are being rented.

18. Existing rules and registration requirements are sufficient. Many area homeowners rely on short term rental income to cover expenses such as property taxes. Additional regulatory burden would NOT be an 'improvement' and, therefore, the phrasing of this question is misleading.

19. We do not do short term rentals but this is not that important. We have not had issues in our neighborhood with Airbnb disruptive rentals.

20. It is obvious that people living in this town can no longer find or afford houses to purchase and become or remain full-time residents. Interestingly, the Mount Washington Valley study of short term rentals determined that short term rental of housing does not cause a lack of employee housing (although that may be a result of the study being conducted by the short term rental owners.) Perhaps North Country Council or a similar organization could delve into this question to give Franconia a clear picture of the cause and effect of short term rentals of homes in this area.

21. Not familiar enough with the arguments to say

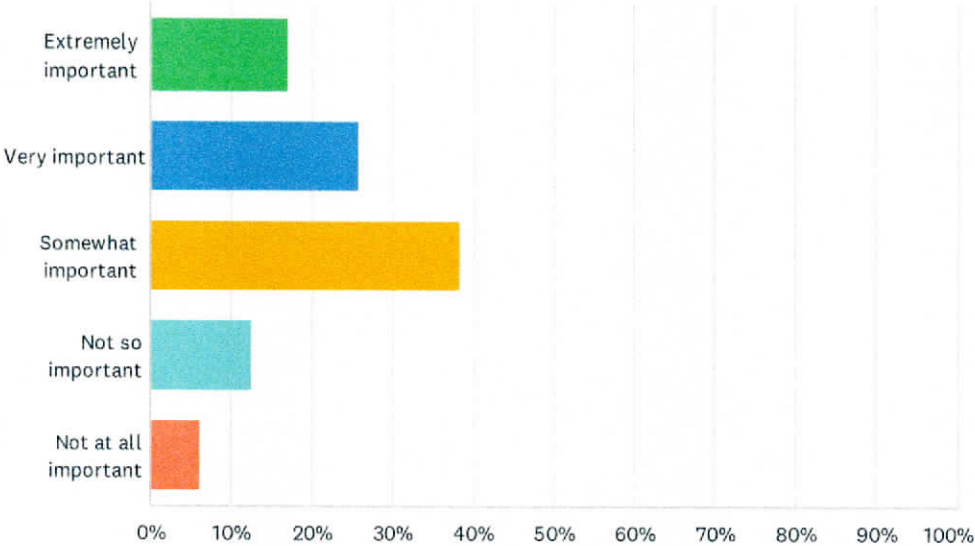
22. With more and more short term rentals the available annual leased properties decreases making it difficult for those who work locally to live locally. The availability of housing for service workers is important to the community.

23. Important to protect OWNER OCCUPIED short term rental options.

24. I don't think there are serious problems now, but with the number of second homes in town, we probably aren't that far behind Bethlehem and the rest before there are.

Q12 How important is improving regulations for solar installations as related to resident and community views?

Answered: 112 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	16.96%	19
Very important	25.89%	29
Somewhat important	38.39%	43
Not so important	12.50%	14
Not at all important	6.25%	7
TOTAL		112

QUESTION 12, COMMENTS: 22

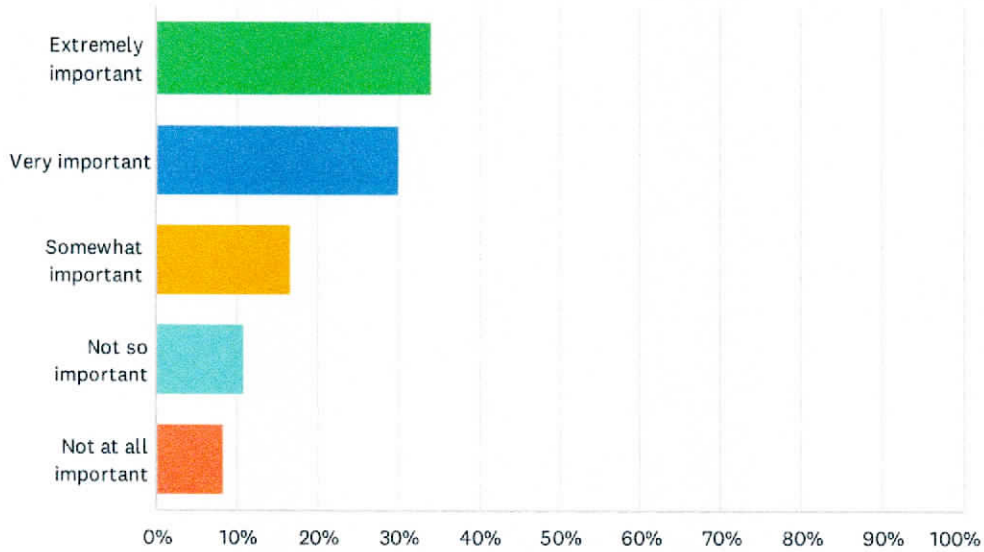
1. I'm in support of solar and would need to be educated more about this. Part of defeating Northern Pass was that our communities need to support energy projects of our own.
2. Make it easy on people to utilize green energy
3. Question is unclear
4. Climate is important
5. While sustainability is important, it should not be at the expense of the natural landscape.
6. Views of the mountains? I think solar energy is essential and panels are very attractive to me, whether on the roof, or as an array in a field. So regulate against that? No.
7. Again hard to answer as I don't know what this means. If improving regulations means allowing homeowners to have solar panels almost anywhere on their property or rooftop I am all for it.
8. Solar is great.
9. Climate change is on the radar - am concerned for future generations but would also like to save the natural beauty and resources.
10. Small scale solar is not very effective.
11. Unsure about the wording of this question. Is this question related to the 'appearance' of solar installations? It is extremely important that Franconia preserve access to solar, for both residential and commercial property. Insofar as the installation may be visible, whether residential or commercial, I support basic code requirements of an installation regarding material used in the construction, though I do not support limiting the size or trying to regulate something as subjective as the appearance of an installation.
12. I don't know much about this one either. Personally, I'm fine with solar installations in my views. I'm glad to see them.
13. I am not aware of the current regulations but strongly believe the regulations should protect resident and community views.
14. Need a balanced approach.
15. offer incentives for clean energy installations
16. Please, do not reduce the views. There are enough new structures eating away at the views already
17. As I said before Franconia is a beautiful area.
18. We support distributed generation of renewable energy. We would need more info on the issues and why current restrictions on commercial use are not sufficient.

19. If regulations are put in place which discourage creating renewable energy sources our community and region will suffer. We need to be sustainability conscious and invite these opportunities.
20. More important to me would be increasing electric car charging infrastructure in Franconia. Can we count on private enterprise to do this (e.g., would the Presby family install paid chargers at the gas station) or do we need the town to play a role?
21. If we are to get away from our dependence on fossil fuels there are going to be compromises made. That said, height limits on these arrays should be considered.
22. Not sure what the current regulations are. I think the regulations should support and encourage the use of solar installations.

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Q13 How important is providing for diverse housing opportunities such as workforce, senior, and affordable housing?

Answered: 120 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	34.17%	41
Very important	30.00%	36
Somewhat important	16.67%	20
Not so important	10.83%	13
Not at all important	8.33%	10
TOTAL		120

QUESTION 13, COMMENTS: 17

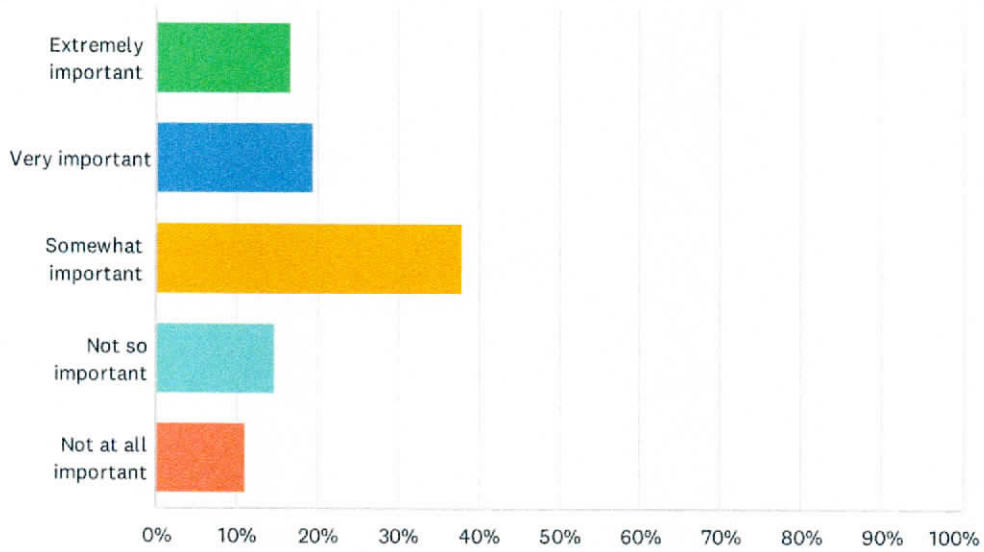
1. A must! Locals can't afford to live here. Priced out by newcomers
2. Unfortunately, the Air BnB trend has eroded our affordable housing, which will necessitate new development for this purpose. (Too bad the short-term rental owners won't bear the consequences of this impact.) However, protecting and increasing wildlife corridors, forested cover, and other natural resource protection (particularly existing wetlands, flood plains, streams/rivers) needs to be integrated into future housing plans.
3. I would love to see a senior housing development in Franconia.
4. Elder housing is needed as well as housing for our work force.
5. There is a huge lack of available housing for all demographics. We need to provide housing so that those who wish to live/continue to live aren't prevented due to lack of housing or inability to afford what housing there is.
6. We need this most of all to have a working community network that is diverse and healthy.
7. Huge problem Locals need AFFORDABLE housing.
8. Affordable housing is necessary for all families - the question is then raised are wages a living wage? This is also difficult because personal responsibility and management of finances is the other side of the coin. In favor of living wage....
9. Given our demographic I would advocate more for workforce and senior housing options. Nursing home shortages are going to become a big deal and having some program supporting people that would be able to care give and make an apartment for seniors that are not nursing home level but need assistance would be great.
10. Currently it does not appear there are many diverse housing opportunities in town
11. Affordable housing for full time residents is extremely important. It's disappointing that so much of the real estate is not for our local full time community.
12. There is a waitlist for elderly housing in Littleton 6 months to 2 years for some places. NH has a huge elderly population and not enough places for them to live safely.
13. I want Franconia to have a place for anyone who wants to live here. I would hate for it to become an exclusive town where you had to have a lot of money to live he
14. I believe that Littleton offers options for affordable housing.
15. I don't think the town should be in the housing business.
16. We need people who work in tourism and service industries to live locally. If that means different forms of development we should make property available to build such housing.

17. Housing availability is market controlled, and the ship called "Affordable Housing" sailed quite a while ago in Franconia. Our proximity to skiing and deep pocketed people from away will keep it that way.

Master Plan Survey

Q14 How important is upgrading town facilities? (Please specify which facility)

Answered: 108 Skipped: 14



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	16.67%	18
Very important	19.44%	21
Somewhat important	37.96%	41
Not so important	14.81%	16
Not at all important	11.11%	12
TOTAL		108

QUESTION 14, COMMENTS: 68

1. Community restroom facility. Is there enough legal parking to access public recreation and public use areas?
2. All as needed, especially public toilets.
3. Town Hall
4. repair and make Town Hall FULLY usable again before building any new town owned structures
5. The library is pretty outdated. Bethlehem's puts ours to shame.
6. Visitor Center already provided for
7. Parking lot between Town Hall and library
8. resurface parking lot between town hall and library
9. Town Garage
10. Visitors Center
11. Small mall across from Franconia Deli and Market Small building between Post Office and Franconia Store
12. don't know
13. All
14. Wrote in the number 0
15. Make it a dog pet friendly town/advertise it as such. When the loo was closed by the rink, there was human feces and toilet paper left behind the shed
16. Transfer station
17. Town Hall, Visitor Center
18. I'm not very familiar with town facilities
19. Pave the transfer station
20. town hall heating system

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21. Recreation facilities, maintenance facilities

22. Speaker/sound system for public attendees at meetings is useless. American Disability Act requires that hearing impaired issues be addressed. Live streaming of public meetings should be considered.

23. Would love a dog park

24. Biking and walking trails and welcome center

25. The town hall does not meet fire codes for gatherings of 50+, highway garage needs updating or new, no bathroom facilities other than porta potty at transfer station. Since town hall has not been upgraded there is no place for programs that we had in the past. (ACT, NH Humanities, father/daughter dances, etc.)

26. Our family would love to see upgrades to the Dow park to include public restrooms and trash cans. With so many events and gatherings held at the park, portable toilets are not sanitary and trash is often left behind. We often wonder why a couple of trash cans couldn't be installed and maintained by transfer station employees, or recreation assistants. We also use the skating rink and wish the warming hut could be maintained. Again, bathrooms.

27. Upgrade welcome center, put in electric car charger, put in bike station, and generally make entry into Town super inviting. Encourage another restaurant to open or other commercial interests. Not sure about other Town facilities.

28. Transfer station

29. All seem to be fine as is.

30. Town garage, welcome center and municipal solar all need attention, perhaps transfer facilities. Other facilities pretty good I believe.

31. Water distribution.

32. Highway dept

33. I think upgrading is important, but I don't want to see the town hall or library, for instance, torn down in order to do so. I would like to see more historical markers in town (like they have done in Bethlehem...not necessarily the state ones), giving another reason for someone to visit and poke around.

34. Visitor center and public bathrooms should be on top of the list.

35. Town Hall, Abbie Greenleaf Library, Police/Fire/Ambulance - all of these are important structures that should be maintained and upgraded as needed.

#14

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36. It would be great to have a permanent bathroom at the Dow. I have seen too many children using the woods there as a restroom (even with the portapotties) which is a health hazard/not something we need to see, especially since it's so close to the river. It would also be great to have some sort of quick access from library/rink to Dow, as this is a main hub for children and I'm not always comfortable having them use the intersection as drivers still blow through the stop signs and don't pay attention. The rink itself could also use some attention so it is safe to use the entire rink (lots of melting/open asphalt in the far end of the rink)

37. Skating rink bathroom and the skating rink itself.

38. Give library more money to have longer hours

39. The welcome center is the single most important facility.

40. Fire/police station

41. Probably needs help but local housing is first, high-speed broadband for ALL, airbnb regulation and caring for the natural landscape as locals have done for years. Please don't change why people chose to live here!

42. Transfer station and town garage

43. important to maintain safety of buildings and appearance of buildings while maintaining their charm and small town elegance

44. Keeping the flavour of a small town and community is important to preserve, the the attractiveness of which appeals to the visitor.....

45. Embarrassed to say....don't know the needs.

46. Roads at Mittersill

47. Not quite sure which facility to focus on. They all seem good to me.

48. I think we are already doing a good job of this.

49. Town offices/skating rink area

50. I think we are doing a good a job with this and am excited to see it continue.

51. Transfer station

52. Public tennis facilities would be nice; public compost facility at transfer station

53. Town facilities are pretty good for a town our size.

#14

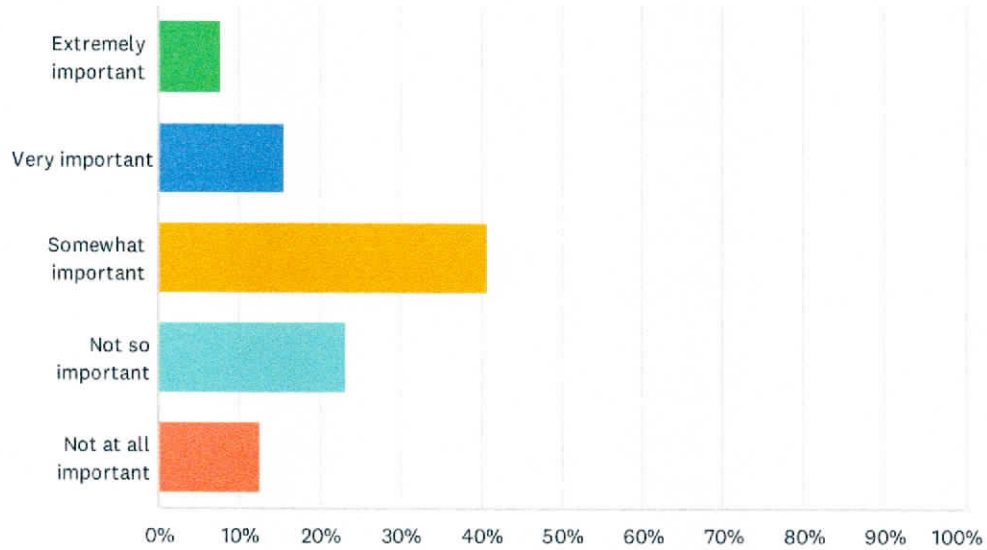
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- 54. Upgrades have already been done on some places.
- 55. Again, sadly, I am uninformed. I voted to rebuild the warming hut/welcome center near the ice rink. I think we should do that. But I don't know what else is needed.
- 56. Low infrastructure overhead is a benefit to the town and all tax payers.
- 57. Let us improve Town facilities when we can, lest it cost us more to delay.
- 58. The town hall.
- 59. Pedestrian friendly. Sidewalks still need work.
- 60. I would need more information on the various facilities are in need of upgrades and improvements. Access to town parks and trails should be kept up as many people use them.
- 61. Important to do annual maintenance and upgrades as required.
- 62. Dow Field playground is aging (e.g., handles breaking off), and could potentially benefit from an upgrade over the next 5 years (akin to Littleton playground) -- if town did fundraising campaign, we would contribute
- 63. Accessibility for townhall
- 64. We need to focus on maintaining the buildings and infrastructure we have now before discussing "upgrades" or any new construction. How much longer are we going to kick it down the road on Town Hall before it is condemned or in such poor condition the only alternative is a rebuild? We need to get a plan going on this and any other existing properties needing work now before considering anything new or upgrades.
- 65. We do not need an expensive welcome center. We need only an updated bathroom
- 66. Town Hall basement
- 67. Upgrading Town Hall and Library, maintaining/upgrading the Lafayette School as appropriate, maintaining Fire Dept and Police Dept facilities, maintaining/upgrading transfer center, maintaining recreation areas, pavilion, gazebo, etc., creating visitor center - including recreation dept-related recommendations. Need to upgrade water system and create sewer system for the downtown area.
- 68. Not sure how to respond: keep current facilities in good repair but upgrade the Welcome Center when matching funds (sufficient funds) are obtained. I like the upgrade plan for the Welcome Center.

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Q15 How important is improving town departments? (Please specify which department)

Answered: 103 Skipped: 19



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	7.77%	8
Very important	15.53%	16
Somewhat important	40.78%	42
Not so important	23.30%	24
Not at all important	12.62%	13
TOTAL		103

QUESTION 15, COMMENTS: 47

1. I wonder/worry about the town water pipes for drinking water, construction integrity, etc. I know the pipes to the house where I live are very old. I was told by our landlord that a washer/dryer could not be supported and the town laundromat overwhelmed the system.
2. Select board. More transparent and fiscally conservative. Evaluate qualifications of town manager in terms of knowledge of laws and understanding finances
3. year round toilet facilities at transfer station
4. The Planning Board should not be run by someone with countless conflicts of interest. It is unbelievable that this is allowed. Anyone with that many conflicts of interest should be in the audience, never never at the table and making the rules and approvals. And chairing the Board??? What is the Town thinking??? Someday someone might sue. And win?
5. okay as is
6. Better updating (more recent updating) of minutes on-line of all departments. Some have no minutes in 2021. Why?
7. provide more financial support to volunteer fire and emergency personnel
8. transfer/solid waste
9. All
10. Wrote in the number 0
11. Police depart lost good staff. They are working on it
12. It is difficult now to get answers to questions from town Hall
13. The town appears to be very well run. The most visible departments serve our town very well: Recreation, highway, police, fire and the transfer station. Thank you all!
14. Utilizing Dow Field facility more. Possibly better lighting. Walking/running/cross country/snow shoeing track. Farmers Market. Increased outdoor summer music program. Senior physical fitness programs (Group stretching, Yoga, etc.)
15. We have good depts but we need to ensure police and emt's have adequate resources. Also concerned that town admin is not as well versed in financial issues and we also need a automated time keeping system, bi weekly payroll as well.
16. Cronyism and in the past theft from town funds needs to be addressed and watched in the future.

17. We need excellent WIFI. Does this fall under a Town Department? What if the library was the epicenter for the Town's new WIFI?
18. All seem to be functioning fine as is.
19. I would like to see some native plant and invasive plant education done with whichever various town departments intersect with our landscapes, parks, roads, etc. Focusing on town plantings being natives (defined as pre-Colonial), in support of native insect survival (foundational to the ecosystem) is important in maintaining natural resources, as is safely removing (and not spreading) invasive species. Lots of good science behind both of these things.
20. I'm not familiar enough with the departments to comment on this.
21. We need more public appreciation of our town departments.
22. Roads. Because of the increased population and traffic from airbnb's , and generally more people visiting many (dirt) roads are in horrible shape. Maintaining roads is expensive whether paved or not. I'm not sure the town has the money to improve roads substantially though.
23. Satisfied with our town departments.
24. Not even sure which departments there are, but it makes sense that improving them would also improve the town
25. Not sure what this question is trying to ask
26. Highway dept
27. Transparency always helps all departments
28. I feel they are adequately staffed and fulfill the needs of the town
29. The town departments are being taken care of by good knowledgeable staff. I am proud to be a member of this town!
30. Not aware of any issues...are the work spaces workable? Internet, bathrooms, proper workstations and good working environment? Do people like going to work? If not, then there's an issue - personnel or mangement.
31. All departments look hood to me.
32. I am happy with our current level.
33. So far everyone we've worked with have been awesome!
34. Upgrades have already been done on some places.

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35. I don't know. If people I respect, like the BOS, think we should improve town departments then I would support that.

36. Transfer Station needs to be updated.

37. Fire, police.

38. All departments do a great job!

39. There is probably always some room for improvement, but I think the departments are doing a decent job. I don't think expanding police services are warranted.

40. Transfer station is great!

41. We need to make it easy, without long wait times for local residents to have access to town departments.

42. Financially, this town is not run well at all

43. Important that they perform optimally and are adequately staffed.

44. Think they are all doing a good job.

45. I think the job the town (Police, Fire, Highway) is doing now is adequate, which isn't to say we shouldn't look at ways to do things better with what is budgeted now. I'm sure those managing those department are always doing just that.

46. management needs to be more responsive to issues identified by the town's auditors

47. Currently, all departments are staffed and function successfully (in my opinion)

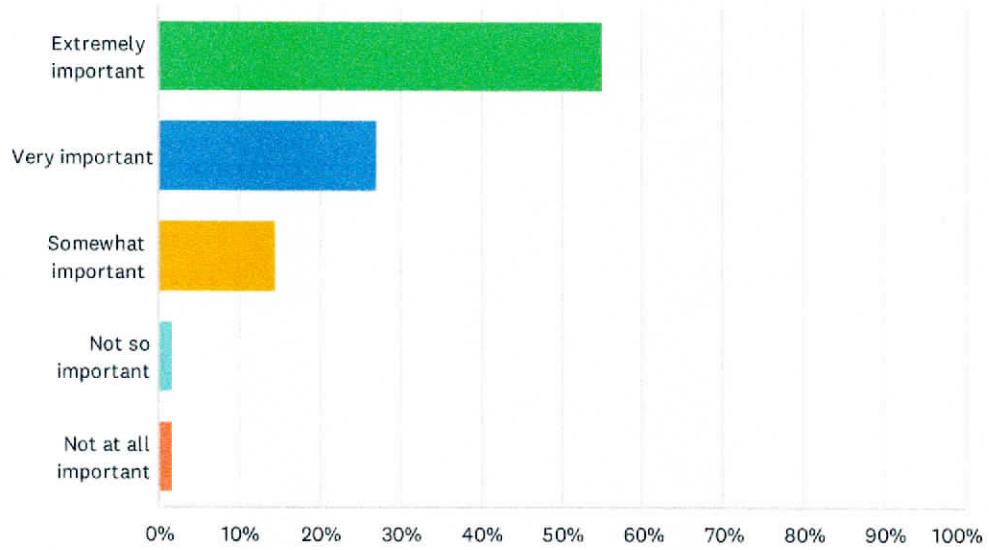
48. not sure what this question is asking

49. I think the town departments do a really good job and are committed to improving themselves, so I'm not sure how to answer this question.

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Q16 How important is increasing access to high-speed broadband?

Answered: 118 Skipped: 4



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely important	55.08%	65
Very important	27.12%	32
Somewhat important	14.41%	17
Not so important	1.69%	2
Not at all important	1.69%	2
TOTAL		118

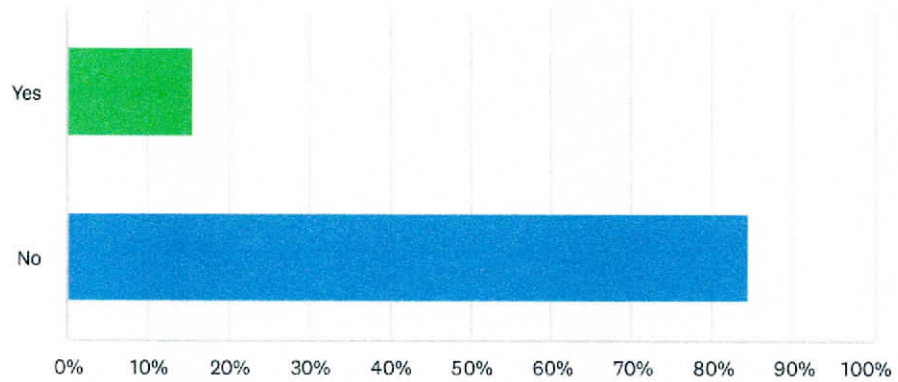
QUESTION 16, COMMENTS: 30

1. Other small towns seems to have more problems than Franconia?
2. Will those with broadband be paying for upgrade and will upgrades apply to all or only new service
3. broad band is NOT the only or perhaps not the best or most cost effective option
4. 5+++
5. Wrote in the number 0
6. Also need to lower cost of it.
7. The need is very important: (1) families with children. (2) elder community. (3) tele-health. (4) business concerns
8. can increase town commerce through "home" based businesses that require internet access. Can expand educational opportunities to residents via internet. Home based businesses will contribute to tax base.
9. Very concerned with cost/benefit. Technology is ever changing. Grant writing and government infrastructure funding is vital. Hoping due diligence of other options has thoroughly been researched (i.e. satellite providers, Spectrum, etc.)
10. Ha! I just answered that above. This is so important to attracting more people to live and WORK here. This is so important to the elderly and anyone who is home bound. This is important for educational opportunities, access to healthcare, etc.
11. Is this a problem in Franconia?
12. We need to support tourism, education and health services with better connections.
13. Most important item on the list. Many people in town do not have an affordable option for high speed and reliable internet. There are third world countries with much better/faster/cheaper options.
14. There will be more school shut-downs with the pandemic. Our students need access.
15. Cell service could be better during peak times
16. We need to level the playing field for our residents so they can work at home.
17. EXTREMELY IMPORTANT access for ALL no matter their incomes

18. I do not know enough about this to be able to answer this!
19. I think that in the upcoming years with starlink this will not be needed and see it as a waste of money.
20. Every single house/resident should have access to reliable high speed internet
21. Essential to attracting visitors and residents.
22. Improving access to broadband, with either no data caps or very high ones, is critical to the town and region's economic future. Access to all would instantly boost the local economy by bringing vacation home owners here more frequently, and also by keeping the younger generation here instead of going off to where they can access Netflix like their peers.
23. I think everyone found out how important high-speed broadband became necessary when COVID 19 hit the country. Needs to be a top priority.
24. I could not live here if I did not have reliable internet. I work from home and depend on it. Reliable, fast internet for all is an equalizer. It create options for everyone.
25. Town and residents should lobby for federal funds being made available. This includes engaging with spectrum to expand local fiber access.
26. We are fortunate to have good broadband at our house in the village. Many other houses do not. Can the Town use a different cable provider, or contract with two cable providers to compete for better cable access, programming and internet services.
27. There is NO access and limited access to high-speed broadband in many parts of town. This needs to improve sooner, rather than later, as many town residents are now working and studying from our community. This is an urgent need.
28. Can we push Consolidated to upgrade its copper network plant to fiber? At minimum, do this in downtown Franconia; at maximum, do for the whole town (leveraging federal broadband stimulus?)
29. The country runs on this, and local service in accessibility and quality are way behind other areas. This has been highlighted by the Pandemic. I see that the local commercial broadband providers "object" to Grafton County Broadband getting grants to increase and improve service. We need more providers and competition to improve connectivity and quality, not less.
30. Does this mean getting more providers? Having the town become the provider (I think some towns do this, but not sure).

Q17 Do you have concerns regarding domestic or farm animals?

Answered: 116 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	15.52%	18
No	84.48%	98
TOTAL		116

QUESTION 17, COMMENTS: 28

1. Domestic: Are all dogs licensed? I'm not a fan of non-service dogs inside buildings. This is more and more common around the mountains. Not fair to real service animal people.
2. Not many. Small farms should be encouraged.
3. Regulate farm animals and poultry in residential neighborhoods
4. Yes, there should be a minimum acreage requirement for having farm animals'
5. 1
6. Noise could be a problem in future
7. Not personally. Noise regulation does concern me. Fireworks can be a bother
8. Noise water impact concerns should be governed via Z.O.
9. Pet and farm friendly town
10. Do not want residences to have commercial animal farm operations nor too many animals making it look like a commercial operation (innumerable cats and dogs and horses)
11. Adds to the appeal of Franconia. The current board attack on the Pratt family led by Kim Cowles for personal reasons is the cronyism I'm talking about.--
12. I
13. moo!
14. Dogs, mainly: But the current noise ordinance (10 pm to 7 a.m.) and the "nuisance dog" ordinance covers most of my concerns adequately already. I do think that ordinances which focus on owner removing pet waste when it's off the person's property should be more widely noticed (via signs). (Not sure how to enforce it, though....) Re farm animals -- no concerns, so long as they are fenced onto owner's property and aren't threatening natural resources (and are quiet during quiet hours).
15. I think as long as the cock doesn't disturb the neighbors, animals add an interest to the small town setting.
16. We do not have any near us but I can see where it might be a concern if they were close by.

17. Whatever can be done to improve care and increase farm animal population. We have a haven and heaven for animals to have the life they deserve and provide quality food.

18. If you are zoned for general farming it your right to have farm animals

19. People should be able to have farm animals if desired unless in extreme cases--roosters in town, not taking care of them ect.

20. If said animals have a substantial (as determined by FPD looking into it, talking to neighbors, gathering data) negative effect on neighbors and the atmosphere of a neighborhood. I believe this is true in a couple of situations in our town and hopefully the town will vote to implement a new noise/nuisance ordinance that will address this issue.

21. Dogs running unattended on McKenzie Woods and harassing passers by.

22. I personally don't have concerns but know people that do. Animal owners should be held accountable for noise nuisances and property destruction.

23. I think Franconia used to have a lot of farms? Unless it is a nuisance let people have farm animals to feel the wild animals with.

24. noise

25. The Town's most valuable resource is a few miles south of the village, and has had no updated planning in more than 40 years. As a "gateway town" to Franconia Notch State Park, Franconia has a right and responsibility similar to those towns adjacent to Acadia, Niagara Falls and Yellowstone. The State has not met the needs for visitor signage, waysides and hiker parking. The State's approach makes the Notch look like a construction area and greatly detracts from its natural beauty. Travelers cannot even stop at the waysides as hikers take over every available parking space in The Notch. A Master Plan does its best to prepare for these and future issues. This Town's planning process should include checking in with the State and the Forest Service on how each is ensuring the health and vitality of the assets which make up over 85% of this Town.

26. To our knowledge there are only two operating farms with livestock in Franconia. We think the town should support the right to farm, and recognize and support the benefit that Farms provide to the local economy.

27. Not at this time, but the dogs they do bark.

28. Not at the present time in my neighborhood but definitely don't want to start hearing roosters.

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Q18 What is the most pressing issue Franconia is facing?

Answered: 105 Skipped: 17

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Affordable housing.	1/26/2022 7:56 PM
2	Lack of affordable housing for the workforce.	1/26/2022 7:11 PM
3	We must maintain our small town way of doing business.	1/26/2022 8:45 AM
4	Lack of housing.	1/26/2022 8:24 AM
5	Overspending	1/10/2022 3:29 PM
6	stricter control measures to help control covid 19	1/1/2022 3:37 PM
7	One company taking over the town. It is ridiculous and I cringe every time I hear they have bought something more. Enough already!!	12/31/2021 6:14 PM
8	Skyrocketing housing prices, long wait times for skilled home improvement/maintenance professionals (i.e. carpenter's, electric, propane installation, etc). Inflation. high local taxes	12/30/2021 1:02 PM
9	Improved zoning with regards to property mainenance	12/30/2021 12:09 PM
10	keeping up with demands caused by increased building	12/30/2021 12:02 PM
11	I'm not sure; recent issues have successfully been address with new grocery store, gas station and a little less recently new fire/police building. Thing are looking good in town	12/30/2021 11:56 AM
12	high taxes	12/30/2021 11:44 AM
13	Transfer Station	12/30/2021 11:40 AM
14	Is homelessness affecting Franconia residents. More transparency would be helpful	12/30/2021 11:34 AM
15	Housing, traffic calming and speed enforcement	12/30/2021 11:22 AM
16	Tourist Infrastructure	12/30/2021 11:09 AM
17	Lack of broadband internet	12/30/2021 11:02 AM
18	Growth	12/30/2021 10:44 AM
19	Perserving open space, controlling development	12/30/2021 10:40 AM
20	Prudent spending of our tax dollars	12/30/2021 10:33 AM
21	Traffic patterns. Recreational opportunities for children	12/30/2021 10:27 AM
22	No housing for workers at all	12/30/2021 10:19 AM
23	Housing sprawl and keeping it a friendly, cozy town	12/30/2021 10:02 AM
24	Growth control	12/26/2021 9:09 PM
25	Modernizing infrastructure but maintaining the small town charm	12/23/2021 9:07 AM
26	High property taxes	12/22/2021 6:32 PM
27	Uncontrolled growth and traffic issues caused mostly by non-residents	12/22/2021 5:58 PM
28	Population growth. Change in the "fabric" of the town. Influx of short term visitors who are not respectful of our town.	12/22/2021 7:21 AM
29	Keeping the downtown area growing and vibrant	12/21/2021 7:50 PM
30	High taxes	12/21/2021 11:43 AM

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31	aging population, negative natural population growth (deaths - births)	12/21/2021 11:28 AM
32	As with most towns in the North Country, meeting the needs of our increasing population, but maintaining the rural nature of our small village. The is a difficult and delicate balancing task.	12/21/2021 10:21 AM
33	using the natural resource of a flowing river to provide hydropower to town facilities, and possible in-town residences. Explore burning trash for power (the idle Bethlehem wood burning station)- eliminates need to worry about where the next landfill will be. Trash will always be present - is a renewable source of energy! Better yet, inexhaustible source. Land (for solar/wind) and timber (burned for power) are finite resources.	12/20/2021 1:08 PM
34	New residential construction for full time housing, requiring increased burden on public facilities (schools, police and life safety, hospital and medical professionals, roads, recycle center, area land fill).	12/20/2021 10:26 AM
35	Garnet hill leaving completely	12/19/2021 4:31 PM
36	Maintaining the town's community feel while also encouraging tourism and nonresident recreation.	12/19/2021 1:04 AM
37	Lack of availability of affordable housing and senior housing. We are becoming a second homeowner town of more higher income folks and properties being purchased for short term rentals that create a host of issues.	12/18/2021 2:39 PM
38	Extreme conspicuous consumption. Franconia losing beautiful view properties to out of state money. Our children and grandchildren can no longer live here	12/17/2021 8:59 AM
39	HOUSING & EMPLOYMENT	12/15/2021 10:33 PM
40	Lack of business development and climbing tax rates which will ultimately push young families, and others on a fixed income, out of town. *Note that we were pleased to see the tax rate adjusted with the recent increase in assessments.	12/15/2021 9:29 PM
41	Housing?	12/15/2021 11:08 AM
42	The possibility of over-developing rather than focusing on all the good we already currently have.	12/9/2021 12:31 PM
43	Franconia is a pretty nice little town. Downtown commercial vitality is an issue, but a commercial strip would be much worse. Pricing out families and working class types is also a concern. Privatizing the mountain not an issue lately but always a concern.	12/7/2021 3:34 PM
44	The lack of skilled jobs for educated young professionals.	12/7/2021 12:06 PM
45	Excessive housing development, most of which is resulting in significant forest clearing that is altering watersheds and releasing carbon, and fragmenting wildlife habitat. And a grassy lawn supports practically nothing in the ecosystem.	12/6/2021 3:56 PM
46	Bring overbuilt	12/6/2021 10:20 AM
47	Lack of affordable quality high speed internet	12/6/2021 8:39 AM
48	Reducing carbon footprint by getting solar arrays.	12/5/2021 8:36 AM
49	We need volunteers to continue serving the town. We appreciate our dedicated citizens that agree to serve on the many town boards. We need more young people living in Franconia but housing is not available.	12/4/2021 10:36 PM
50	Many homeowners do not live here so their needs and requirements are often different from residents. But in my view not having a high speed internet is the most pressing issue.	12/4/2021 6:45 PM
51	Affordable housing, elderly housing allowing well designed and built condos	12/4/2021 4:43 PM
52	Dwindling school population leading to higher per pupil cost	12/4/2021 1:27 PM
53	The fact that people who have lived here for decades can't afford to buy homes. and there are fewer and fewer places to rent because they are all Airbnbs.	12/4/2021 10:16 AM
54	Lack of housing, safe drivers (speeding in residential areas, running through intersection despite increased signage), the change in community makeup from being mostly full time residents with some vacation homes to seemingly being full of empty houses that are only occasionally used by people who don't appreciate our small town values/way of life.	12/4/2021 8:02 AM

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55	Affordable housing and rentals. Too many second homes.	12/3/2021 11:32 PM
56	The internet access is very important and many struggled with that during remote schooling. Aside from that I feel it's imperative we get more bike routes around town to encourage the youth to get outside and get physical activity. This would provide a safe manner for them to do so.	12/3/2021 10:17 PM
57	Expanding affordable broad band,	12/3/2021 8:53 PM
58	We need a better age and economic mix. To that end we need some affordable housing.	12/3/2021 8:05 PM
59	High taxes	12/3/2021 6:21 PM
60	Housing for locals	12/3/2021 5:46 PM
61	Remaining vibrant in the face of the age of e-commerce and escalating real estate values	12/3/2021 4:51 PM
62	Safe in town walking / biking areas	12/3/2021 3:32 PM
63	Recognition of the needs of the aging population; need to increase the growth of the younger generation families	12/3/2021 3:03 PM
64	Economic viability and the gradual and persistent erosion of the town's economy.	12/3/2021 3:00 PM
65	Beware of too much modernizing...This is a country town with its own flavours and traditions.....	12/3/2021 2:57 PM
66	Growth vs Becoming another Lincoln.	12/3/2021 2:51 PM
67	Road Maintenance at Mittersill	12/3/2021 2:23 PM
68	The rapid growth in population and building is an issue, but I'm guessing it will slow down and the town will evolve into it. My biggest concern is that the town will become more resort than domicile, and that housing will be bought up for the Airbnb industry, displacing residents and creating an artificial transient environment. I think the town needs to regulate airbnb. I personally think it's okay to rent out an apartment or outbuilding on one's property or to rent out one's second home when one isn't using it. Properties that are purchased solely as short-term rentals should not be allowed, and there should be no grandfathering in this. In this situation, the housing shortage is exasperated and neighborhoods are disrupted and changed, all for the profit of an off-sight entity or person. It also presents challenging competition to inns and motels that do contribute to the community. It's a lose/lose except for the owners.	12/3/2021 2:20 PM
69	Housing	12/3/2021 1:56 PM
70	Housing shortage due to people buying homes and using them as investment properties/short term rentals making it difficulty to live in town. Also political divides that seem to polarize people to such a degree that dialogue isn't taking place and their is no nuance on issues.	12/3/2021 1:49 PM
71	Continued infrastructure to support the increased traffic - pedestrians/cyclists need to have safe passage through a main street that has increased traffic every day.	12/3/2021 1:33 PM
72	In my opinion two issues: lack of affordable middle (not to mention low) income housing. This has been true the almost two decades I have lived here but definitely seems to be worse with the pandemic induced purchases of second homes and air b n b homes. The other issues I think is most pressing for our town is bike and pedestrian safety. While I believe this has been improved on the main corridor of Main Street I think there is still a long way to go on Route 116 and Route 18 both of which have a lot of bikers and some walkers.	12/3/2021 1:15 PM
73	The lack of affordable housing for a middle income family and maintaining its open space and not becoming too developed	12/1/2021 10:51 AM
74	insufficient high speed internet access	12/1/2021 6:06 AM
75	Keeping growth and development at check.	11/30/2021 7:48 PM
76	Attracting and maintaining a diverse population and culture, and promoting inclusion and tolerance.	11/30/2021 7:27 PM
77	Housing options and creating amenities for visitors	11/30/2021 7:07 PM
78	Development impacting continuity of trail systems / open space.	11/30/2021 5:46 PM

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103	Strengthening the fabric of community --limit or tax "investment" buyers of real estate --attract strong anchor employers --more civic participation needed	11/9/2021 11:24 PM
104	Na	11/9/2021 7:18 PM
105	Over population from the influx of out of staters.	11/4/2021 1:37 PM

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Q19 What impacts outside of Franconia concern you the most?

Answered: 84 Skipped: 38

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Rising prices of property in NH.	1/26/2022 7:56 PM
2	The Forest Lake landfill.	1/26/2022 7:11 PM
3	Laws and regulations that restrict the way we do business.	1/26/2022 8:45 AM
4	World wide? Area wide? Specifics please and great public areas.	1/26/2022 8:24 AM
5	Global warming	1/10/2022 3:29 PM
6	climate change	1/1/2022 3:37 PM
7	Too many people coming here, so that sometimes you can't even hike where you want.	12/31/2021 6:14 PM
8	inflation and lack of reasonably priced housing, Food shortages, government handouts that slowed down growth to the labor force and supply chain depletion.	12/30/2021 1:02 PM
9	unvaccinated people outside and within	12/30/2021 12:09 PM
10	Climate Control	12/30/2021 12:02 PM
11	Climate Change	12/30/2021 11:56 AM
12	none	12/30/2021 11:44 AM
13	Loss of Cannon Mountain	12/30/2021 11:40 AM
14	the diverse thinking of residents politically that damage democracy	12/30/2021 11:34 AM
15	Casella, Dalton proposed landfill. land speculation pushing property values into hyperspace!	12/30/2021 11:22 AM
16	Possibility of building of condos or multi housing unites for tourists. I would never want Franconia to turn into another Lincoln	12/30/2021 11:02 AM
17	climate change, environment degradation, lose of species habitat	12/30/2021 10:40 AM
18	?	12/30/2021 10:33 AM
19	illegal drug distribution	12/30/2021 10:27 AM
20	country wide housing shortage	12/30/2021 10:19 AM
21	Rude people moving up Drugs from away	12/30/2021 10:02 AM
22	Dalton dump	12/27/2021 9:45 AM
23	Traffic	12/23/2021 9:07 AM
24	Unvaccinated visitors	12/22/2021 5:58 PM
25	Too many visitors as the trails, parking spaces & facilities are overcrowded.	12/22/2021 6:41 AM
26	Big box stores	12/21/2021 11:43 AM
27	covid	12/21/2021 11:28 AM
28	Receiving our fair of support from our state government. And to further a closer working relationship with our neighboring towns to tackle common issues.	12/21/2021 10:21 AM
29	expanding truck traffic - eats up roads, noise, More and more cars - skiing, hiking - expanding due to COVID - the wide open spaces. Consider a bus route that visits all motels, etc. (may be a stop on other major routes - Main Street, Route 116, 117 to pick up and deposit skiers, hikers to Cannon and Bretton Woods; hikers to various locations. Tourists and locals will like	12/20/2021 1:08 PM

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	the convenience - no concern re parking, gas cost. Would decrease carbon footprint if that is the town's bag. Cost for users, probably \$5 - \$100 if busses are full.	
30	Crime and drug use.	12/20/2021 10:26 AM
31	Climate change	12/19/2021 1:04 AM
32	Inability of many businesses to hire but our lack of affordable housing contributes to that issue. We need tourism but that increases our costs for services. (police, fire, emt, transfer station)	12/18/2021 2:39 PM
33	Climate Change.	12/15/2021 11:08 AM
34	The landfill discussions in nearby Bethlehem.	12/9/2021 12:31 PM
35	Big issues? Income equality and climate change. Erosion of democracy.	12/7/2021 3:34 PM
36	The right wing agenda.	12/7/2021 12:06 PM
37	Same as above - excessive housing development fragmenting and damaging habitat. Also, the increasing pressure in surrounding towns to expand motorized recreation (ATVs and snowmobiles).	12/6/2021 3:56 PM
38	Covid	12/6/2021 10:20 AM
39	COVID problem	12/6/2021 8:39 AM
40	Waste management impacting water quality.	12/5/2021 8:36 AM
41	Climate change effects our area and is a huge effect on tourism.	12/4/2021 10:36 PM
42	?	12/4/2021 4:43 PM
43	Not much say in the state government.	12/4/2021 1:27 PM
44	People from away buying up the property, driving up the prices, and then renting them as Airbnbs - leaving locals without a place to live.	12/4/2021 10:16 AM
45	Bethlehem dump	12/3/2021 11:32 PM
46	People coming in buying all the property and renting things out versus living there full time!	12/3/2021 10:17 PM
47	Visitors use of public spaces	12/3/2021 8:53 PM
48	Climate change and its impacts.	12/3/2021 8:05 PM
49	Don't know	12/3/2021 6:21 PM
50	Airbnb outsiders who are taking advantage of our town	12/3/2021 5:46 PM
51	Grid locked federal government	12/3/2021 4:51 PM
52	The lack of concern/ respect some may have for society as a whole ie: wearing masks to keep all safe.	12/3/2021 3:32 PM
53	Impact of the current state government on the state, including socio/economic/racial prejudice, removal and restrictions of freedom for all, current gun legislation	12/3/2021 3:03 PM
54	Global climate change and its impact upon the region.	12/3/2021 3:00 PM
55	Are we doing enough to save the planet in my life-time. Walked a beach daily for one week - it occurred to me why climate change isn't pressing - nature is so peaceful and beautiful - thinking is not a real problem.	12/3/2021 2:51 PM
56	I am concerned about the natural environment, both here and everywhere, and the rapid growth here has heightened that somewhat. I'm also concerned about the division in our society.	12/3/2021 2:20 PM
57	Housing bubble	12/3/2021 1:56 PM
58	Degradation of childhood education. Overall I am very happy with the elementary school but worry far more about high school and across the country.	12/3/2021 1:49 PM
59	Interested in Littleton's school system - Elementary school that is crumbling	12/3/2021 1:33 PM

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60	Climate change and its effect on our town and our ability to continue to be a winter destination for recreation.	12/3/2021 1:15 PM
61	Rampant residential development	12/1/2021 6:06 AM
62	Sprawl	11/30/2021 7:48 PM
63	Traffic, available green space and crowded housing.	11/30/2021 7:27 PM
64	Families no longer come to Franconia to stay, they ski or do what ever and leave. There is no longer anything in Franconia for families to do. come to think of it, I don't think there ever was anything for families to do. Used to be a Winter Festival. but only during the Massachusetts vacation week.	11/30/2021 12:12 PM
65	People who refuse to get vaccinated against COVID-19.	11/30/2021 10:47 AM
66	Covid 19. climate change	11/30/2021 10:35 AM
67	Covid; Casella expanding	11/30/2021 9:56 AM
68	Proposed Casella - Dalton garbage dump is unnecessary and will cause additional garbage truck traffic on 93 through Franconia.	11/30/2021 9:30 AM
69	Overdevelopment	11/30/2021 9:18 AM
70	Easton	11/30/2021 9:17 AM
71	Political friction	11/29/2021 9:32 PM
72	That the government is not being fiscally responsible. The economy. The fact that people are so polarized and not getting along.	11/24/2021 4:13 PM
73	Environmental degradation of the North Country.	11/24/2021 1:13 PM
74	Unconstrained government growth and spending	11/22/2021 4:17 PM
75	High taxes that increase every year	11/22/2021 4:10 PM
76	The spread and belief in non-truths.	11/22/2021 3:10 PM
77	State of NH priorities for healthcare and education.	11/18/2021 4:23 PM
78	We seem to have lost our way as a Nation, and there doesn't seem to be capable leadership to right the ship from either party.	11/18/2021 2:22 PM
79	inflation. cost of healthcare. increased taxes of all kinds	11/18/2021 10:38 AM
80	don't understand this question	11/16/2021 9:36 AM
81	Lack of affordable housing.	11/12/2021 12:07 PM
82	economy climate change	11/9/2021 11:24 PM
83	Na	11/9/2021 7:18 PM
84	The rage spreading around the country.	11/4/2021 1:37 PM

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Q20 What is the best or worst thing about Franconia?

Answered: 100 Skipped: 22

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Best - Small town and feeling a belonging to a community. worst - so many second homeowners not interested in belonging to a community.	1/26/2022 7:56 PM
2	It has a great vibe of recreation, commerce, and people.	1/26/2022 7:11 PM
3	We have some of the most talented and dedicated town employees and volunteers anywhere.	1/26/2022 8:45 AM
4	Best - small size. Worst - lack of affordable housing and bathrooms.	1/26/2022 8:24 AM
5	Best- natural beauty Worst- lack of support for police department	1/10/2022 3:29 PM
6	small village and community spirit in helping each other	1/1/2022 3:37 PM
7	Best thing is having hiking and skiing so close. Worst thing is no affordable housing for people who aren't rich and also having one company buy up so much stuff.	12/31/2021 6:14 PM
8	Best - Amazing mountains. weather and natural beauty with little-to-no noise or light pollution, no traffic and small population. Worst: taxes and spending worst - pubic school system	12/30/2021 1:02 PM
9	Outstanding bedroom community in greater Littleton Worst is derelict property on Main Street	12/30/2021 12:09 PM
10	Different for each of us! Best thing maybe the Library - our one free service	12/30/2021 12:02 PM
11	Outdoor recreation opportunities	12/30/2021 11:56 AM
12	way of life	12/30/2021 11:48 AM
13	Best - quaint village Worst - high taxes	12/30/2021 11:44 AM
14	Best - Education Worse - potential homeless people	12/30/2021 11:40 AM
15	Seems like policing is well done but occasional arrests show there are challenges of drugs and violence that could get worse	12/30/2021 11:34 AM
16	Best: Small village feel	12/30/2021 11:22 AM
17	Scenic. Poor condition of some properties on Main Street	12/30/2021 11:09 AM
18	Best is our beautiful and remote location. Worst is lack of internet and cell phone service	12/30/2021 11:02 AM
19	Natural landscape	12/30/2021 10:44 AM
20	Respect for nature and the environment	12/30/2021 10:40 AM
21	Best natural beauty	12/30/2021 10:33 AM
22	Best is country charm. Worst is we are losing it.	12/30/2021 10:27 AM
23	best: mountains and people worst: no housing	12/30/2021 10:19 AM
24	People are best and land. The college is gone, sad.	12/30/2021 10:02 AM
25	The best thing is the small town feel. Wouldnt want that to ever change.	12/27/2021 9:45 AM
26	Best- cannon and natural attractions	12/23/2021 9:07 AM
27	Small community feel is great	12/22/2021 6:32 PM
28	Best: friendly, helpful residents; community activities Worst: 4-way stop in center of town	12/22/2021 5:58 PM
29	the small town feel and its natural beauty	12/22/2021 7:21 AM
30	Best -it's a wonderful quaint town. Please keep it that way. Worst - parkway traffic.	12/22/2021 6:41 AM

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31	Our road and our turn-around area in particular that has not been paved in many, many years - Woodchuck Trail	12/21/2021 7:50 PM
32	Small town	12/21/2021 11:43 AM
33	best: small village atmosphere	12/21/2021 11:28 AM
34	I truly believe is a special place to live. We have been able to maintain a small town (village) environment but we are able to offer a location that has access to most needs.	12/21/2021 10:21 AM
35	Best - a nice "sleepy" mountain resort town. Let Littleton continue be the mecca of retail! Worst - no swimming pool for kids	12/20/2021 1:08 PM
36	Natural beauty of our surrounding landscape. Environment friendly. Clean roads.	12/20/2021 10:26 AM
37	Two best things: The community and the natural environment	12/19/2021 1:04 AM
38	I think many folks have a sense of community vs the atmosphere in towns like Lincoln. (transients) The worst thing is also similar in that with more short term rentals and second homeowners what will we become?	12/18/2021 2:39 PM
39	The best is the sense of community we have here. It is still a small town, where kids can play safely and we know each other well enough to look out for each other. The worst is the lack of growth in our Main Street division.	12/15/2021 9:29 PM
40	The scenic beauty is the best. The cultural isolation is sometimes depressing.	12/15/2021 11:08 AM
41	Best: Small town with everything you could need, including the most beautiful natural landscapes imaginable. Worst: The constantly changing stop signs at our one main intersection. While the stop signs were a great add, I don't understand why the only one with lights is not the main direction where people were not used to stopping at all. But if that's really the worst thing, I'd say we're doing pretty good.	12/9/2021 12:31 PM
42	It's a nice small town, very comfortable. Great setting, good schools, generally well off. As stated above, no sewer downtown limits it, but lots of development would be much worse.	12/7/2021 3:34 PM
43	Best: Abundance of trails for hiking and skiing. Worst: An aging population.	12/7/2021 12:06 PM
44	Best - the opportunity to experience the natural, wild environment: bears, moose, bobcat, fox, ermine, trees, fungi, native plants, clean water, etc. Worst - too much property concentrating in a few commercially driven owners. Hazardous to our future.	12/6/2021 3:56 PM
45	Worse thing - lack of internet, high prices for everything . Best thing : nature, small town, it's people.	12/6/2021 8:39 AM
46	Best--concerned citizens. Worst--lack of retail shops.	12/5/2021 8:36 AM
47	Best group of citizens, great library, great town museum and wonderful town park. It's amazing how many people provide art, culture and recreation for our town.	12/4/2021 10:36 PM
48	Franconia is wonderful, nothing wrong .	12/4/2021 4:43 PM
49	Best - People and sense of community Worst - Lack of retail.	12/4/2021 1:27 PM
50	Best: small town feel in such an amazingly beautiful and natural place Worst: tourists (they are like a necessary evil up here)	12/4/2021 10:16 AM
51	The small town feel, the caring people who live and work here, and the natural beauty of our area. The worst thing is the prevalence of unoccupied vacation homes and short term rentals and the change in community and lack of housing that comes along with it.	12/4/2021 8:02 AM
52	Could be better traffic law enforcement. The 4 way stop is ignored on many occasions and speeding to/from cannon mt is out of control.	12/4/2021 8:01 AM
53	Best is the nature and outdoor activities presented.	12/3/2021 11:32 PM
54	Franconia is a small town that capitalizes and the small businesses and I want that to continue!	12/3/2021 10:17 PM
55	The beauty of the natural landscape.	12/3/2021 8:05 PM
56	Best: Small town, friendly people Worst: Too many people with No Trespassing signs.	12/3/2021 6:21 PM

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57	Franconia is a little bit of heaven....both the land and it's people.	12/3/2021 5:46 PM
58	The natural beauty and outdoor recreational lifestyle that it caters to is the marquis of the town and critical to its identity and future.	12/3/2021 4:51 PM
59	The best things areThe Franconia Market , library and Dow fields etc and the friendly residents.	12/3/2021 3:32 PM
60	Multi-season beauty and recreational opportunities. small town can do attitude and local interest in the town. The Abbie Greenleaf Library and ArtWalk are stars!	12/3/2021 3:03 PM
61	Worrisome...the proliferation of high-end residences and the impact that they have on increasing tax rates on average homeowners.	12/3/2021 3:00 PM
62	No EV station for public use - would attract people into restaurants.	12/3/2021 2:51 PM
63	There are lots of best things, and I can't think of much that would be considered worst. I love the community of our town, and also its backdrop of such amazing mountains. I am a little concerned that one business enterprise owns so much property and hope that this doesn't give them more say or power than others. I've also been surprised that owners of this business have been on town boards that make zoning decisions, when the outcome of these decisions could benefit them due to specific properties that they own. This seems like a flagrant conflict of interest and I'm surprised that the town allows for it.	12/3/2021 2:20 PM
64	Best is its people Worst is cost of housing	12/3/2021 1:56 PM
65	The natural beauty. Affordability.	12/3/2021 1:49 PM
66	Best thing is the people	12/3/2021 1:33 PM
67	Best: natural beauty; dedicated employees. Worst: Lack of affordable housing; lack of safe non-motor vehicle transportation corridors.	12/3/2021 1:15 PM
68	One of the best things about Franconia is its school system and its location	12/1/2021 10:51 AM
69	Beautiful landscape and tight knit community	12/1/2021 6:06 AM
70	Wonderful community to live in!	11/30/2021 11:51 PM
71	It's a beautiful small town as is.	11/30/2021 7:48 PM
72	Among the best features of Franconia is access to parks, trails, rivers and outdoor recreation. Among the worst is the growth in population and traffic. Btw, thank you for the 4-way stop solution in the center of town. This solution feels like the best option.	11/30/2021 7:27 PM
73	Best: access to trails and outdoors, amazing school, and wonderful rec department.	11/30/2021 7:07 PM
74	Friendly people are wonderful!	11/30/2021 5:46 PM
75	Franconia is a great small town. But it really needs to start thinking outside the box to get more businesses that people can spend money in and more importantly want to go into. (You know what those are!)	11/30/2021 12:12 PM
76	The best thing about Franconia is its natural beauty.	11/30/2021 10:47 AM
77	The unspoiled beauty of the landscape and accessibility to outdoor spaces.	11/30/2021 10:35 AM
78	Best is our mountains, landscape, access to hiking and biking. Worst is the speed people drive on our road!	11/30/2021 9:56 AM
79	Best. Good grocery store and gas station Worst Our road	11/30/2021 9:50 AM
80	Small cultural town.	11/30/2021 9:32 AM
81	Best = low cost and naturally beautiful place to live and work. Worst = Transfer station closed Tuesday to Thursday.	11/30/2021 9:30 AM
82	We are a wonderful small town with so many outdoor opportunities and town-sponsored activities such as the rec department.	11/30/2021 9:18 AM
83	mountain scenery is best. No worsts.	11/30/2021 9:17 AM
84	Best thing: the trail systems which allow us to walk or bike or ski all throughout the Town.	11/29/2021 9:32 PM

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	Great to use, well-maintained. Worst thing: the slow loss of views as property owners no longer keep the views open.	
85	Best thing? The Abbie Greenleaf library. The helpful and friendly employees that work at the transfer station. The town trails.	11/24/2021 4:13 PM
86	Best: genuine people, fresh air, night sky, quiet Worst: the intersection. A traffic circle would enhance the town in many ways.	11/24/2021 1:13 PM
87	BEST: Access to our state and national parks and forests. Beautiful vistas, skiing, hiking and cycling trails. No national brands/stores in our village area—all locally owned and managed businesses.	11/23/2021 1:32 PM
88	Tourism resources	11/22/2021 4:17 PM
89	Location and scenery.	11/22/2021 3:10 PM
90	Best things are the natural beauty, parkland and access to natural resources, and welcoming community	11/21/2021 8:28 AM
91	Location, location, location (best) Hard for modest income families to afford homes.	11/18/2021 4:23 PM
92	Best. Natural beauty that is hard to beat. Worst. Those who would destroy the character of the town chasing a buck.	11/18/2021 2:22 PM
93	rural area, small town, limited development, outside recreation availability	11/18/2021 10:38 AM
94	Love the location and views	11/17/2021 3:09 PM
95	little housing available for people with low to moderate incomes	11/16/2021 9:36 AM
96	Nature, caring people. good community!	11/13/2021 6:26 PM
97	Best: the library! The Franconia Market! The hardware store! The Dutch Treat & Chef Joe's.	11/12/2021 12:07 PM
98	It has become a ghost town or at best a suburb of Littleton. Best thing is access to nature (River Walk a big plus)	11/9/2021 11:24 PM
99	Na	11/9/2021 7:18 PM
100	Rural way of life.	11/4/2021 1:37 PM

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Q21 What is the one thing about Franconia that you would change?

Answered: 89 Skipped: 33

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Not being so expensive and raising no children here.	1/26/2022 7:56 PM
2	Engage new year-round residents in the opportunities of the town. A welcome basket if you will of the town assets and opportunities to get involved-- work and volunteer.	1/26/2022 7:11 PM
3	More signs warning of pedestrian/bike traffic.	1/26/2022 8:45 AM
4	Too many short term rentals	1/10/2022 3:29 PM
5	try to encourage more residents to be involved in helping to run the tow, We need more residents to volunteer.	1/1/2022 3:37 PM
6	More housing that is for year-round normal people residents.	12/31/2021 6:14 PM
7	Reform public schools under a centralized/standardize leadership control and execution model. Combined resources with other local school districts to provide the best education and opportunities for all the kids in this area, as well as maximize the utiitization of resources. Promote competition to acheive greatness in both class rankings and sports. The kids are the future, they deserve equal education for all.	12/30/2021 1:02 PM
8	Insisting that all community maintain the appearance of their property	12/30/2021 12:09 PM
9	Parking availability at the P.O. - its dangerous!	12/30/2021 12:02 PM
10	Beautify Main St	12/30/2021 11:48 AM
11	lower taxes	12/30/2021 11:44 AM
12	add more parking in downtown	12/30/2021 11:40 AM
13	the state needs to provide better parking for hikers and climbers	12/30/2021 11:34 AM
14	Tightening up zoning, Airbnb ordinances!	12/30/2021 11:22 AM
15	Finding a way to get more people involved in major town decisions	12/30/2021 11:09 AM
16	Possibly a more attractive downtown that will draw in tourist business. Improvements have recently occurred - ie Franconia Market	12/30/2021 11:02 AM
17	landscaping around Main Street businesses	12/30/2021 10:44 AM
18	more encouragement for conversion to non-carbon based energy via tax allotements for solar residential, solar installlations	12/30/2021 10:40 AM
19	How properties are kept up	12/30/2021 10:33 AM
20	Add crosswalks where people will benefit from them	12/30/2021 10:27 AM
21	more housing	12/30/2021 10:19 AM
22	my neighbor having his own airway flying over our house	12/30/2021 10:02 AM
23	There really is not one thing I could think of at this time.	12/27/2021 9:45 AM
24	Cell reception	12/23/2021 9:07 AM
25	Eliminate the stop signs on Rt. 18 in center of town	12/22/2021 5:58 PM
26	tax increases	12/22/2021 7:21 AM
27	Long term businesses (restaurants) in the downtown area.	12/22/2021 6:41 AM
28	More walking / biking trails	12/21/2021 11:43 AM

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29	sidewalks through to Sugar Hill Town line improved.	12/21/2021 11:28 AM
30	I would like to see the continuing development of the Village District for more pedestrian traffic (both commercial and green, recreational space)	12/21/2021 10:21 AM
31	nothing at this time.	12/20/2021 1:08 PM
32	Add dog park	12/19/2021 4:31 PM
33	Better access to safe biking and walking	12/19/2021 1:04 AM
34	We are getting better but more openness and transparency plus, as one resident mentioned at a public hearing, what kind of community do we want to be? Hopefully this survey will help us define it.	12/18/2021 2:39 PM
35	I would like to see growth in local business. It is disheartening to see our village store and coffee shop closed and/or vacant every morning. There was a time when bars, restaurants, stores, gas station, flower shop, etc. were thriving here.	12/15/2021 9:29 PM
36	I wish there was a community center that was accessible to people who don't drive. The Dow is wonderful. The Library is good but you need a car to get to these. Also, let's build a movie theater/performance space. Something small, 35 seats. Perhaps an add-on to the library.	12/15/2021 11:08 AM
37	Transfer station open all days of the week, even if just a smaller time window in the morning during the weekdays.	12/9/2021 12:31 PM
38	Tough question, nothing realistic. I'd love it if there was a long term way to keep the Hardware store open. More opportunities for working people to afford to live here. And by that I don't mean taxes. It's real estate prices, not much to be done there by the town. Energy self sufficiency with a municipal/community solar facility. but I'd hope that for every town. I'd lower the bridge over the river and then install a roundabout...	12/7/2021 3:34 PM
39	The attitude that nothing should change.	12/7/2021 12:06 PM
40	Divert I-93 noise elsewhere.... But since that isn't possible, then; I would mandate future housing be clustered, with large tracts of uninterrupted forest around. Too late for much of our lost habitat, though.	12/6/2021 3:56 PM
41	Affordable high speed internet for all residents needs to be available .	12/6/2021 8:39 AM
42	Put the exchange area back at the recycling center.	12/5/2021 8:36 AM
43	I'd like to see more support of the Franconia airport. Even though it is privately owned, it is a great asset to the town and attracts tourists.	12/4/2021 10:36 PM
44	Nothing	12/4/2021 4:43 PM
45	Better road repair for roads that are not state roads.	12/4/2021 1:27 PM
46	Make it "undiscovered" so people from away don't buy up all the property.	12/4/2021 10:16 AM
47	Longer library hours	12/3/2021 11:32 PM
48	I would like more diversity in the population in terms of age, ethnicity, and professions. We need affordable housing.	12/3/2021 8:05 PM
49	Pave the transfer station parking area.	12/3/2021 6:21 PM
50	Transparency	12/3/2021 5:46 PM
51	homogeneous zoning	12/3/2021 4:51 PM
52	Property owners who continue to have multiple broken down vehicles etc . Some look like junk yards. Enforcement of state regulations for such properties.	12/3/2021 3:32 PM
53	Would like to see cultural diversity	12/3/2021 3:03 PM
54	What I wouldn't change - the simplicity - don't want to be another Lincoln or Littleton.	12/3/2021 2:51 PM
55	I honestly can't think of much...a bike path on some of the busier roads (rt 18 and the Easton Rd) would be nice.	12/3/2021 2:20 PM
56	Relax zoning re no of units in building	12/3/2021 1:56 PM

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57	n/a	12/3/2021 1:33 PM
58	Increased affordable housing. Safe bicycle and pedestrian corridors on main throughways (Route 116).	12/3/2021 1:15 PM
59	Village center - streamlined design of shops, parking and walking areas	12/1/2021 6:06 AM
60	None	11/30/2021 11:51 PM
61	Bury the power lines.	11/30/2021 7:48 PM
62	Add a community garden	11/30/2021 7:27 PM
63	Bike lanes and safe route to school	11/30/2021 7:07 PM
64	I would like to see an improved, vibrant "downtown village" area, with some more nice shops, possibly some lodging. Make it all walkable so weekend visitors can park, walk, shop, dine etc.	11/30/2021 5:46 PM
65	More community/social events	11/30/2021 12:20 PM
66	Franconia needs to get with the times and see the money driving up Interstate 93. All the snow machines, ATVs and campers that just go on by. Goodness Franconia can't have snow machine or ATV trails.....WHY NOT, the elders of the time would not permit it. Money to be made there.....	11/30/2021 12:12 PM
67	I can't think of anything.	11/30/2021 10:47 AM
68	Can't think of a thing.	11/30/2021 10:35 AM
69	Reduce the speed people drive on Wells Road; send traffic to the highway instead of through our road.	11/30/2021 9:56 AM
70	More recreation in the downtown area- Pickleball and bocce courts	11/30/2021 9:50 AM
71	I can't think of anything.	11/30/2021 9:32 AM
72	Local restaurants close very early.	11/30/2021 9:30 AM
73	Get rid of Spectrum.	11/30/2021 9:18 AM
74	The 4-way blinking light. Change back to blinking yellow on Main Street, tho put 2 lights over the intersection, each arranged to be directly over one lane of each road.	11/30/2021 9:17 AM
75	I would make the gas station in the center of Town look proper for a village - similar to the one in the center of Meredith. This one could have been designed much nicer.	11/29/2021 9:32 PM
76	I wish I could think of something to say, but I can't at this time.	11/24/2021 4:13 PM
77	Improve transparency and lower taxes	11/24/2021 1:13 PM
78	I think the village area could use improvements in it's "look". It would be nice to create some more inviting areas for people to "hang out", for instance picnic tables, and gathering spots for all.	11/23/2021 1:32 PM
79	N/A	11/22/2021 4:17 PM
80	Leadership and administrative order	11/22/2021 4:10 PM
81	Tax rate.	11/22/2021 3:10 PM
82	Old, underutilized, and inadequate housing stock	11/21/2021 8:28 AM
83	It already got changed- the intersection of Easton Rd. and Main St.	11/18/2021 4:23 PM
84	Less traffic congestion would be an improvement.	11/18/2021 2:22 PM
85	Encourage more service oriented businesses in Franconia center	11/17/2021 3:09 PM
86	Greater community? + Affordable housing / non-car infrastructure.	11/13/2021 6:26 PM
87	Presby's ugly gas station	11/9/2021 11:24 PM

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11/9/2021 7:18 PM

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Make Kerr road one way from Wells to Route 18.

11/4/2021 1:37 PM

Q22 What do you want Franconia to look like in 20 years?

Answered: 103 Skipped: 19

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Still being a friendly community and offering so many services to families.	1/26/2022 7:56 PM
2	A lot like it looks now.	1/26/2022 7:11 PM
3	The way it looks today.	1/26/2022 8:45 AM
4	Still wooded and with clean air and water and happy people.	1/26/2022 8:24 AM
5	Much the same	1/10/2022 3:29 PM
6	About the same,	1/1/2022 3:37 PM
7	More families that are invested in the town instead of property owners who think it is just a nice place to visit.	12/31/2021 6:14 PM
8	Similar to how it is now, but more aesthetically pleasing, especially on highly traveled roads, ie Main St.	12/30/2021 1:02 PM
9	A little more tidy	12/30/2021 12:09 PM
10	Natural	12/30/2021 12:02 PM
11	Like it looks now	12/30/2021 11:56 AM
12	Buildings on Main St should look like Woodsville Bank	12/30/2021 11:48 AM
13	still a quaint, friendly village	12/30/2021 11:44 AM
14	Peaceful townbut successful town	12/30/2021 11:40 AM
15	A mostly peaceful but active and thriving town with residents of all ages	12/30/2021 11:34 AM
16	The small town feel. No huge private residential expansion developments	12/30/2021 11:22 AM
17	Similar to now with the possibility of a few shops for tourists and locals to enjoy. They should be small and quaint - no chains such as Dollar Stores	12/30/2021 11:02 AM
18	About same w/organic improvements	12/30/2021 10:44 AM
19	About as it is now	12/30/2021 10:40 AM
20	A beautiful mountain town	12/30/2021 10:33 AM
21	Changes just for the better	12/30/2021 10:27 AM
22	A place for locals to live and affordable housing for residents	12/30/2021 10:19 AM
23	like it is today	12/30/2021 10:02 AM
24	With the addition of high speed internet, I dont want anything to change. Franconia is perfect!	12/27/2021 9:45 AM
25	Almost the same!	12/23/2021 9:07 AM
26	Continue to have small community atmosphere	12/22/2021 6:32 PM
27	Pretty much the same, but with some form of senior housing and a slightly revitalized downtown with open/active restaurants, shops and motels/hotels.	12/22/2021 5:58 PM
28	A small welcoming town.	12/22/2021 7:21 AM
29	A slightly updated version of what it looks like today.	12/22/2021 6:41 AM
30	More developed	12/21/2021 7:50 PM

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55	A self sustaining energy system supporting a vibrant diverse population of citizens living healthy lives.	12/3/2021 8:05 PM
56	Same	12/3/2021 6:21 PM
57	Equality for ALL	12/3/2021 5:46 PM
58	Preserved rural character and small downtown but perhaps several village clusters about the geography favoring smaller and more energy neutral housing units and multifamily housing opportunities while maintaining open space and density averages	12/3/2021 4:51 PM
59	Small town appeal.	12/3/2021 3:32 PM
60	the same!!!	12/3/2021 3:03 PM
61	A vibrant small town maintaining its natural beauty	12/3/2021 3:03 PM
62	Garnet Hills will be gone...continued erosion of town's economy.	12/3/2021 3:00 PM
63	Just like today and yesterday...	12/3/2021 2:57 PM
64	Been here for 20 years, would like changes made, i.e. bike friendly, internet improvements, underground wiring, (eliminating polls) . Achieve growth without impacting the visual.	12/3/2021 2:51 PM
65	I hope it hasn't changed much. I've lived here full time for over 40 years and if anything it's been quieter in recent years than it was a while back.	12/3/2021 2:20 PM
66	More density in center of town	12/3/2021 1:56 PM
67	Business friendly, continued good schools, outdoor/active focus, more community feel--which may come back when with the pandemic becoming endemic.	12/3/2021 1:49 PM
68	A more modern version of its current self - bustling main street, safe bike path/lanes through town, more recreation trails for hiking/walking/biking	12/3/2021 1:33 PM
69	I hope Franconia still has its "small town feel". I hope there is a lot of renewable energy going on, specifically solar. I hope residents can be less reliant on fuel consumption both in transportation and heat.	12/3/2021 1:15 PM
70	Would like Franconia to look similar to how it currently is and with no large condo developments, maintaining its small town/village look and feel.	12/1/2021 10:51 AM
71	Just as rural and quaint as it looks today.	12/1/2021 6:06 AM
72	About as it is now!	11/30/2021 11:51 PM
73	The same	11/30/2021 7:48 PM
74	A 20 year older version of today ☺	11/30/2021 7:27 PM
75	Similar, but continue to revitalize the main street and add bike lanes and good sidewalks/paths connecting town assets; a place for people to live, work and play.	11/30/2021 7:07 PM
76	Not too different outside of downtown.	11/30/2021 5:46 PM
77	Local small shops/restaurants, bike trails, pharmacy, standing community events, performing arts	11/30/2021 12:20 PM
78	I would hope in 20 years Franconia would grow to become a better destination spot for families and anyone to come here. Franconia has kept itself in a bubble, but that needs to get popped and expand.	11/30/2021 12:12 PM
79	Pretty much as it looks today. Not too many people. Beautiful vistas. I want the businesses in town to all thrive but of course that brings more people. I hope we can preserve the peacefulness while supporting businesses.	11/30/2021 10:47 AM
80	Essentially the same as it does now.	11/30/2021 10:35 AM
81	More downtown small businesses, more affordable housing so local families can live here.	11/30/2021 9:56 AM
82	More downtown area and places to stay	11/30/2021 9:50 AM

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31	Same	12/21/2021 11:43 AM
32	same as today	12/21/2021 11:28 AM
33	Franconia, currently, has a nice balance between residents, second homeowners, and tourists. With a little growth, I would like the same look in 20 years.	12/21/2021 10:21 AM
34	as it does today with possibly more technologically up-to-date - technology that is not an eyesore and that benefits residents.	12/20/2021 1:08 PM
35	Like it looks now	12/19/2021 4:31 PM
36	Thriving downtown with easy access by bike or on foot.	12/19/2021 1:04 AM
37	A vibrant, welcoming community with people from all backgrounds working together.	12/18/2021 2:39 PM
38	To stay the same	12/17/2021 8:59 AM
39	Maintain the small town feel, but with a flourishing main street. Recreation programs and events to bring the community out and together. I envision something like Littleton, without the big box stores.	12/15/2021 9:29 PM
40	Maintain the natural beauty while improving the infrastructure - add WIFI, solar power, perhaps several cottage industries where people could find employment and teens could intern. Build a community of small houses (a private/public venture). Have it be a showcase for how a town can adapt to the housing shortage and accommodate working people.	12/15/2021 11:08 AM
41	The same as it does now. A small town full of kind people who have just what they need and all the great outdoors around them to spend the rest of their time in.	12/9/2021 12:31 PM
42	I sound like a reactionary. "Don't change it!" There's been a lot of new driveways leading to homes and second homes in the past 20 years. I'd hate to see Franconia become more "suburbs" than it already is. So, it looks pretty much the same with better energy infrastructure and broadband. Still has the state owned state run mountain/park.	12/7/2021 3:34 PM
43	A town that attracts people just for its main street. Shops, restaurants, bars, etc.	12/7/2021 12:06 PM
44	No additional development, other than perhaps a well-designed senior housing facility and an affordable housing cluster. Fewer short-term rentals. An additional restaurant that is open in evenings. Thriving forests (which store water). Undisturbed beavers and other wildlife. Plentiful clean water. People understanding the importance of climate change resilience and healthy ecosystems, and managing land with that in mind. More walking and biking, less driving. Less lawn. The Gale River with a more dense riparian buffer (restore the buffer west of the Sugar hill Bridge), and same thing for the few upstream and tributary areas that have lost the buffer due to private landowners clearing. A restored Ham Branch with less sediment from erosion and more riparian shrubs and trees along it. No invasive plant species. Fewer 90 degree days. A thriving elementary school, and some of the kids walking to school. Good means of communication between town officials and townspeople, and among townspeople.	12/6/2021 3:56 PM
45	Hopefully not a lot different than it is now	12/6/2021 10:20 AM
46	I want it to remain much the same	12/6/2021 8:39 AM
47	Small informational historical signs outside various buildings. Vital retail shops. Town-wide solar energy serving businesses and residents.	12/5/2021 8:36 AM
48	A well kept medium sized village with good side walks, trees along Main Street.	12/4/2021 4:43 PM
49	Much like it is now.	12/4/2021 1:27 PM
50	I'd like it to be very similar to now, but have Plain Kate's actually open (or some other decent restaurant). And have an art gallery dedicated to work from local artists and craftspeople.	12/4/2021 10:16 AM
51	Pretty much the same. Safe sidewalks and walking trails, a great small school, a small grocery store for the essentials, affordable housing so that children of residents, employees and people wanting to live here full time have a place to live.	12/4/2021 8:02 AM
52	The same. Less second homes and more community	12/3/2021 11:32 PM
53	I want it to stay "small" and uncommercializdd.	12/3/2021 10:17 PM
54	Much like now with developed trails on public lands	12/3/2021 8:53 PM

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83	Same as it does today.	11/30/2021 9:32 AM
84	Preserved natural beauty - limited commercial development and tourist traps. Ie, opposite of Lincoln and Conway.	11/30/2021 9:30 AM
85	Not much different with a slightly more energized business district	11/30/2021 9:23 AM
86	Pretty much the same as now - rural, small town, but with better internet options.	11/30/2021 9:18 AM
87	About the same	11/30/2021 9:17 AM
88	Like a cohesive village, with views of the mountains we love, and a well-planned State Park that benefits the Town.	11/29/2021 9:32 PM
89	I know that I DON'T want it to look like Littleton or Lincoln NH.	11/24/2021 4:13 PM
90	The same	11/24/2021 1:13 PM
91	A small-town environment with modern, up-to-date features.	11/23/2021 1:32 PM
92	No change	11/22/2021 4:17 PM
93	Not bigger	11/22/2021 4:10 PM
94	Much the same.	11/22/2021 3:10 PM
95	More vibrant town center -- restaurants, arts, wider variety of short term stay accommodations More housing, including lower cost ownership units and rentals Honestly, I'd like to see more development in/around Mittersill to broaden our tax base But of course would like to preserve natural beauty	11/21/2021 8:28 AM
96	It will be what it will be, but would not want it to look like N. Conway or Lincoln.	11/18/2021 4:23 PM
97	The same with maybe a little more polish. Homes that are lived in and loved would be an improvement over the McMansions going up now that see use a month a year.	11/18/2021 2:22 PM
98	Pretty much like now with senior housing and more restaurants	11/17/2021 3:09 PM
99	see notes and responses to other Qs	11/16/2021 9:36 AM
100	More business development outside the town center.	11/12/2021 12:07 PM
101	Expect it will look the same. I would like a more vibrant town center with a growth oriented business in lieu of fading Garnet Hill and viable retail operations (including a restaurant or two).	11/9/2021 11:24 PM
102	Na	11/9/2021 7:18 PM
103	Much like it is today.	11/4/2021 1:37 PM

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Q23 What are the best opportunities for Franconia to improve?

Answered: 76 Skipped: 46

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Continue to encourage our nature trails and open spaces.	1/26/2022 8:45 AM
2	What?	1/26/2022 8:24 AM
3	reasonable growth control, Not overwhelm the village atmosphere	1/1/2022 3:37 PM
4	Not having one company own so much in town. Regulating rentals. More housing for normal people.	12/31/2021 6:14 PM
5	The tax dollars could focus on the good of the residents more, and tourists less. Example: canx welcome center project, just fix up the facilities we already have, ie warming hut/bathrooms. The tourists are going to come either way. Build something, instead, for the locals to enjoy, ie indoor recreation center.	12/30/2021 1:02 PM
6	Tighter zoning ordienances	12/30/2021 12:09 PM
7	communication to all ages. If you are not connected with one of the schools there is alot you don't know about.	12/30/2021 12:02 PM
8	Maintain the recent improvements to the town, preserve what we have	12/30/2021 11:56 AM
9	Better parking access for hikers along parking in the nature	12/30/2021 11:40 AM
10	More attention to homes and property that are deteriorating and not cared for.	12/30/2021 11:34 AM
11	Small ad hoc working groups. Empowered PB and ZBA	12/30/2021 11:22 AM
12	Improving the appearance of Main Street	12/30/2021 11:09 AM
13	see #20	12/30/2021 10:40 AM
14	Encourage hard working people to be charitable	12/30/2021 10:33 AM
15	Broadband, crosswalks, Senior and low income housing, Kids recreation	12/30/2021 10:27 AM
16	more affordable housing	12/30/2021 10:19 AM
17	Pet friendly town \$! Besides Pollys, somewhere to have breakfast. Public toilet access!	12/30/2021 10:02 AM
18	Internet	12/27/2021 9:45 AM
19	Voting	12/23/2021 9:07 AM
20	Encourage community ideas and participation for new projects. Add bike/walking trails from Bike path to Bethlehem trails. Maintain tennis courts, skating rink, basketball, Dow Field. Support local businesses .	12/22/2021 5:58 PM
21	More businesses in the downtown area	12/21/2021 7:50 PM
22	High speed internet everywhere	12/21/2021 11:43 AM
23	???	12/21/2021 11:28 AM
24	RECREATION!!! Biking trails, hiking trails, skiing (closer relationship with Cannon Mountain), climbing, etc...play to your strengths!!!	12/21/2021 10:21 AM
25	someone dedicated to availing the town of any and all possible grants to keep taxes as low as possible while maintaining or expanding residential services - home care for seniors for example.	12/20/2021 1:08 PM
26	Bike and walking access	12/19/2021 1:04 AM
27	There are a number of people who are interested in the town and will or have provided a lot of	12/18/2021 2:39 PM

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their time to improve various areas. We need to encourage more to get involved but that requires a sense of appreciation as well as willingness to listen to different perspectives which I don't feel is always present.

28	Build industrial park, zoning and containing and directing growth	12/17/2021 8:59 AM
29	Allow businesses more freedoms in marketing and outside operations	12/15/2021 10:33 PM
30	As noted above: public restrooms, waste management in public areas, and focus on attracting businesses to the commercial areas.	12/15/2021 9:29 PM
31	There are grants out there right now. First improve WIFI that would help so many people. Build up a few small commercial interests in the heart of the Town so that when people visit there is somewhere to go to get a coffee, info., souvenirs, etc. It seems like Macs is now performing that function sort of.	12/15/2021 11:08 AM
32	To maintain and support the businesses that are already here.	12/9/2021 12:31 PM
33	I have no big vision aside from the energy piece I've mentioned. Keep pecking away at the stuff that comes up. As a small town with volunteer select board a bigger agenda is ambitious.	12/7/2021 3:34 PM
34	Make the town a destination, not a stop on the highway.	12/7/2021 12:06 PM
35	Planning and zoning that requires ecosystem preservation, and incorporates climate change resilience, especially regarding conserving water and healthy soil resources and diversity of species (plant, fungi, insect, amphibian, reptile, mammal, etc). These - especially water/soil - involves maintaining forested and shrubby landcover.	12/6/2021 3:56 PM
36	High speed internet	12/6/2021 8:39 AM
37	See above	12/4/2021 4:43 PM
38	Anything that promotes knowledge and beauty of this area: expanding/maintaining the trails, adding a "guided nature walk," adding something to promote opportunities for local artisans to showcase/sell their work, a summer venue for arts/music/theater.	12/4/2021 10:16 AM
39	Small businesses on main street	12/3/2021 11:32 PM
40	Focus on opportunities for the youth. Rec center?	12/3/2021 10:17 PM
41	We need a water/sewer system that can support new business in the village center. We need affordable housing.	12/3/2021 8:05 PM
42	?	12/3/2021 6:21 PM
43	Housing Broadband Airbnb	12/3/2021 5:46 PM
44	We have a phenonimonal but incomplete and fragile community trail network, that is relatively unique and spcial, it should be cultivated, enhanced and protected to make off road migration about the town simpler and the recreational aspect of the resource more accessible.	12/3/2021 4:51 PM
45	Better self-promotion to residents as well as the general public.	12/3/2021 3:03 PM
46	Expansion and diversification of the economic base...	12/3/2021 3:00 PM
47	Program for solar - very costly upfront investment. Not only on my property but notice when walking - many down trees - for fire wood for low income. Would an income generating program be possible to clear undergrowth and down trees? Not talking about clearing for views	12/3/2021 2:51 PM
48	Gotta think about that one....nothing is coming up.	12/3/2021 2:20 PM
49	Small town sewer system on town land by the Gale River to stimulate affordable housing	12/3/2021 1:56 PM
50	Making sure educational standards continue and expanding opportunities for work and education.	12/3/2021 1:49 PM
51	Housing affordability for locals, increased bicycle and pedestrian safety infrastructure, more solar.	12/3/2021 1:15 PM
52	Maintaining its greenspace and attracting full time residents.	12/1/2021 10:51 AM
53	Walking paths along Rt. 116. Limit heavy commercial traffic on scenic routes like Wells Rd so	12/1/2021 6:06 AM

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	that people can safely walk there.	
54	?	11/30/2021 11:51 PM
55	Outdoor recreation.	11/30/2021 7:48 PM
56	1. Attract an artisan and creative restaurant and bakery 2. Bus service from Franconia to Littleton via Bethlehem 3. Complete bikeway from Franconia to Littleton via Bethlehem	11/30/2021 7:27 PM
57	Broadband to 100% of homes is key. Also, a number of places have been successful with holiday festivals of decorations and lights.	11/30/2021 5:46 PM
58	Maybe research a small franchise? (not Dunkin Donuts) Or even something like the NH league of Craftsmen. An antique fair with vendors and food trucks brings in people from all over.	11/30/2021 12:12 PM
59	I don't know.	11/30/2021 10:47 AM
60	Infrastructure like water and sewer so affordable housing can be built here so older adults and young families can live here.	11/30/2021 9:56 AM
61	Add Pickleball courts downtown Extremely popular and fastest growing sport in the country and great for all ages, I play with my children, grandchildren and GREAT grandchildren	11/30/2021 9:50 AM
62	High power costs versus towns like Littleton or those with negotiated electricity agreements for residents	11/30/2021 9:30 AM
63	Keep the schools strong	11/30/2021 9:23 AM
64	Improve internet.	11/30/2021 9:18 AM
65	Continue to improve the village atmosphere. Work on a village plan that perhaps gives the town a cohesive look. Perhaps encourage New England style structures rather than one-off buildings and gas stations.	11/29/2021 9:32 PM
66	Access to high-speed broadband for every address in town. No (or limited) restrictions on renewable energy sources: solar and wind power.	11/23/2021 1:32 PM
67	Encourage 100% occupancy of Main St store fronts	11/22/2021 4:17 PM
68	leadership	11/22/2021 4:10 PM
69	Intelligent and informed citizens.	11/22/2021 3:10 PM
70	Affordable housing for those who need it (incl. rentals/condos) More hotel accommodations that target different market niches than existing properties (broaden tourist base, free up short term rentals to be permanent housing) Opportunities to further support/embrace artists in and around town	11/21/2021 8:28 AM
71	Support schools and tourism marketing through a welcoming, welcome center.	11/18/2021 4:23 PM
72	This survey is a great step. Having a plan and operating within its parameters as determined by residents, rather than developers, is the way to go.	11/18/2021 2:22 PM
73	Make living in Franconia more affordable for young people	11/17/2021 3:09 PM
74	Market to potential employers--back office for Fidelity for example.	11/9/2021 11:24 PM
75	Na	11/9/2021 7:18 PM
76	Keep funding for our schools an appropriate level.	11/4/2021 1:37 PM

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Q24 What is an issue that is important to Franconia now and in the future?

Answered: 91 Skipped: 31

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Maintaining our rural and natural beauty.	1/26/2022 7:56 PM
2	Do we have a blueprint of what lies underground? Pipes, wires, culverts, old chemical dumps, etc.	1/26/2022 7:11 PM
3	Same as 24.	1/26/2022 8:45 AM
4	Short term rentals. I believe Airbnbs should be outlawed in order to put properties back into the long term rental supply. That would enable workers to live here and would put the tourist business (money) back into existing hotels, motels, inns, and B&Bs.	1/26/2022 8:24 AM
5	Transparent government	1/10/2022 3:29 PM
6	Noise control, and especially the constant and very obnoxious noise and racket of tow planes at THE SOARING CENTER , near by residents cannot hear their phones or talk when towing occurs,occurs.	1/1/2022 3:37 PM
7	Housing.	12/31/2021 6:14 PM
8	Climate change, lack of affordable housing, etc.	12/30/2021 1:02 PM
9	Maintaining its appearance with continued upgrades	12/30/2021 12:09 PM
10	Sense of Community always	12/30/2021 12:02 PM
11	Maintaining our wild land	12/30/2021 11:56 AM
12	taxes	12/30/2021 11:44 AM
13	Security of water system	12/30/2021 11:40 AM
14	Keeping local education successful to families	12/30/2021 11:34 AM
15	Housing, water escalating (end loss), school cost increases	12/30/2021 11:22 AM
16	Keeping our rural character and appreciation of our mountain location. I feel the town is trying to keep this appeal	12/30/2021 11:02 AM
17	Sustainability	12/30/2021 10:44 AM
18	Protecting the enviroment	12/30/2021 10:40 AM
19	Keep Franconia Beautiful and quaint	12/30/2021 10:33 AM
20	see #23	12/30/2021 10:27 AM
21	housing	12/30/2021 10:19 AM
22	Keep nature pristine, support hiking etc with housing, food, toilets	12/30/2021 10:02 AM
23	School quality and facilities	12/23/2021 9:07 AM
24	Some form of independent senior housing. There should be other options for our seniors who can no longer maintain their own homes (some quite large) but do not want or need to go into assisted living or nursing homes.	12/22/2021 5:58 PM
25	Reasonable taxes so seniors can maintain and live live in their homes .	12/22/2021 6:41 AM
26	growth	12/21/2021 7:50 PM
27	Broadband	12/21/2021 11:43 AM
28	demographics	12/21/2021 11:28 AM

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29	Hi-speed broadband. I believe this has to be developed to serve our current population...and for newcomers. This maintains the value of our most valuable commodity to the town coffers: real estate	12/21/2021 10:21 AM
30	A responsive and representative government. Lot of "flat landers" moving here. Do not want the issues that they dealt with in metropolis to become issues here. I had to learn and adapt to rural living - great experience - from city life - no hiking, skiing, town meeting.	12/20/2021 1:08 PM
31	Safe biking and walking	12/19/2021 1:04 AM
32	A sense of community and people working together.	12/18/2021 2:39 PM
33	Getting rid of cronyism and corruption	12/17/2021 8:59 AM
34	Keeping the small town feel while improving experience	12/15/2021 10:33 PM
35	Climate change.	12/15/2021 11:08 AM
36	Not over-developing or over-regulating what's here.	12/9/2021 12:31 PM
37	Lots of overlap to my responses to these questions. Affordability, over development, support of schools/parks& rec. (ie.- families), keeping the mountain, energy.	12/7/2021 3:34 PM
38	Tourism.	12/7/2021 12:06 PM
39	Ecosystem health, climate change resilience. Development needs to be limited.	12/6/2021 3:56 PM
40	High speed internet.	12/6/2021 8:39 AM
41	Solar.	12/5/2021 8:36 AM
42	Lack of affordable housing, especially apartments and lower income space.	12/4/2021 10:36 PM
43	Keep it's welcoming appearance.	12/4/2021 4:43 PM
44	We have to be sure that our ground water is protected from contamination.	12/4/2021 1:27 PM
45	Preserving our natural areas from development, maintaining the pristine nature aspects while also finding ways to be financially stable	12/4/2021 10:16 AM
46	Keeping the strong school and education that we have	12/3/2021 11:32 PM
47	Climate Change	12/3/2021 8:05 PM
48	?	12/3/2021 6:21 PM
49	Looking for ways to help less fortunate locals	12/3/2021 5:46 PM
50	Preserving water quality both of our drinking water and our streams and rivers	12/3/2021 4:51 PM
51	Water system- fire hydrants .	12/3/2021 3:32 PM
52	Don't make a small issue that involves one person and make it town issue and don' use your town employment to leverage your position- ie: chickens and a changed noise ordinance	12/3/2021 3:03 PM
53	Attracting younger residents	12/3/2021 3:03 PM
54	Be cautious re commercialism....	12/3/2021 2:57 PM
55	Balance growth and the need to focus on climate change - question is how will climate change impact the White Mountains and the surrounding communities.	12/3/2021 2:51 PM
56	keeping and restoring original architecture. minimize new build	12/3/2021 2:23 PM
57	Growth and development.	12/3/2021 2:20 PM
58	Mixed income level housing. Important to have more younger families	12/3/2021 1:56 PM
59	Housing/costs/attracting business.	12/3/2021 1:49 PM
60	Climate change. Also, connecting our town to other towns via trails (for recreation and transportation use).	12/3/2021 1:15 PM
61	To maintain its great school and rec program and to continue to be a town that has the	12/1/2021 10:51 AM

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	appropriate balance of conservation of natural resources and businesses	
62	Helping businesses on Main Street to thrive, creating a vibrant village with more restaurants and shops.	12/1/2021 7:32 AM
63	Rampant growth and taxes	12/1/2021 6:06 AM
64	?	11/30/2021 11:51 PM
65	Keeping it rural, maintaining clean water, good schools.	11/30/2021 7:48 PM
66	Preserving green space, Franconia Notch state park, w Cannon and Mittersill, and bike and x-country ski access to all.	11/30/2021 7:27 PM
67	Housing and keeping town accessible for families	11/30/2021 7:07 PM
68	Supporting small businesses, especially attracting and developing the next generation of skilled tradespeople.	11/30/2021 5:46 PM
69	Lack of affordable housing for families to want to move to the area. Lack of area for business to build and grow.	11/30/2021 12:12 PM
70	Preserving the natural beauty.	11/30/2021 10:47 AM
71	Keep Northern Pass or any new variation of it out!	11/30/2021 10:35 AM
72	Housing	11/30/2021 9:56 AM
73	Growth	11/30/2021 9:50 AM
74	Keeping an eye on on how many residential buildings are allowed to build in any given year.	11/30/2021 9:32 AM
75	Landscape preservation and conservation	11/30/2021 9:30 AM
76	Not too much change	11/30/2021 9:23 AM
77	Internet speed and availability.	11/30/2021 9:18 AM
78	The Notch and the White Mountains National Forest. Are we even paying attention to what happens in 85% of the Town?	11/29/2021 9:32 PM
79	That it remains a small town.	11/24/2021 4:13 PM
80	The impact of growth on the community. There are many new residents in the town and the region. We need to be an inviting community. We could also possibly utilize the various expertise of new residents.	11/23/2021 1:32 PM
81	Avoid real estate bubble	11/22/2021 4:17 PM
82	increasing taxes and affordability	11/22/2021 4:10 PM
83	Balancing growth and maintaining natural resources.	11/22/2021 3:10 PM
84	Can we encourage Consolidated Communications to upgrade its copper network in Franconia to fiber?	11/21/2021 8:28 AM
85	Health care access.	11/18/2021 4:23 PM
86	We are going to grow, but need to grow smart. The high density strip mall stuff destroys any town's uniqueness. The first thing developers bring in (aside from promises) is a bulldozer. There goes a piece of your town and its history, and is the replacement an improvement?	11/18/2021 2:22 PM
87	Broadband internet	11/17/2021 3:09 PM
88	To remain a friendly and civil community.	11/12/2021 12:07 PM
89	clean water	11/9/2021 11:24 PM
90	Na	11/9/2021 7:18 PM
91	Zoning and noise ordinances.	11/4/2021 1:37 PM

Q25 Why do you live in Franconia?

Answered: 104 Skipped: 18

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We have been here 30+ years and always are thankful we came here.	1/26/2022 7:56 PM
2	I was able to find an affordable place/house to rent after looking for about two years that is also close to many employment options.	1/26/2022 7:11 PM
3	Because of all the things I've stated and the neighbors and friends I've developed.	1/26/2022 8:45 AM
4	We moved here 40 years ago from Long Island in order to raise our three (then four) girls in a healthy environment. It worked! Two still live in Franconia very happily and the other two are relatively close by. It's a wonderful home to be in and/or come back to.	1/26/2022 8:24 AM
5	Quiet and good schools	1/10/2022 3:29 PM
6	One of the nicest small towns in NH. Caring neighbors, beautiful (largely unspoiled) scenery ,	1/1/2022 3:37 PM
7	I like to be close to outdoor activities.	12/31/2021 6:14 PM
8	The nature beauty, quiet surroundings and community. So much charm and really great people.	12/30/2021 1:02 PM
9	Great access to all of the amenities of Littleton	12/30/2021 12:09 PM
10	We came here because of skiing and Cannon Mtn - now it's home	12/30/2021 12:02 PM
11	Family history, outdoor recreation, arts, music, church, library, access to interstate public transit (bus)	12/30/2021 11:56 AM
12	Way of Life	12/30/2021 11:48 AM
13	looking to live in a quaint, friendly village	12/30/2021 11:44 AM
14	Quiet town near hiking and skiing	12/30/2021 11:40 AM
15	Came here for access to hiking and climbing - don't do much now but like to walk along Main St. etc	12/30/2021 11:34 AM
16	It still remains a small town community feel but that is being threatened by second home/MacMansion explosion	12/30/2021 11:22 AM
17	Rural surroundings but yet good access to highways	12/30/2021 11:09 AM
18	It's beauty, rural location and quaint small town feel.	12/30/2021 11:02 AM
19	see #19	12/30/2021 10:40 AM
20	Franconia's beauty and its people	12/30/2021 10:33 AM
21	It has a lot to offer	12/30/2021 10:27 AM
22	mountains, small town people	12/30/2021 10:19 AM
23	Love New Englands. It's safe, the water is good. It's beautiful	12/30/2021 10:02 AM
24	Small town, NE feel. Proximity to all season sports. Quiet and serene surroundings	12/27/2021 9:45 AM
25	Peaceful and beautiful	12/23/2021 9:07 AM
26	Small community feel and close access to nature	12/22/2021 6:32 PM
27	The people, views, recreation activities and sense of community. More relaxing lifestyle than in more populated areas.	12/22/2021 5:58 PM
28	the relaxed atmosphere. The natural beauty. Access to outdoor recreation.	12/22/2021 7:21 AM

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29	Love the nearness to hiking and skiing	12/21/2021 7:50 PM
30	Skiing and hiking	12/21/2021 11:43 AM
31	family history	12/21/2021 11:28 AM
32	I love the quiet nature and ease of living in Franconia while having easy access to all the amenities that I need,	12/21/2021 10:21 AM
33	Came to the area for work. When work ended choice was to move to metropolis or go on the road and maintain home base here. Not really a choice - would not live anywhere else. Still leave the house unlocked and the car running at the post office to allow the inside to warm up in winter. In three years will have spent 1/2 my life here. Children live away - love to return "home" to the North Country. I have a voice here. In metropolis only a data point.	12/20/2021 1:08 PM
34	Simple, slow life. Great neighbors.	12/20/2021 10:26 AM
35	Community and access to recreation	12/19/2021 1:04 AM
36	I am from a larger suburban/city background. While it has its attributes, I appreciate the ruralness of Franconia and surrounding towns and the people I have come to know in this area. While we can improve in a number of areas, this is a wonderful town and I hope we can work to keep it that way while still moving forward. keeping up with technology, etc. Balance can be hard to achieve but worth the effort.	12/18/2021 2:39 PM
37	Away from people. low car traffic and small town	12/17/2021 8:59 AM
38	Love the community	12/15/2021 10:33 PM
39	It is an excellent place to raise a family. It is safe. There is a strong sense of community. There are unlimited possibilities for recreation and activities. Plus, it is beautiful here! However, most families find it difficult to make a living in this area, which is why I feel it is important to work toward growing industry/business in our area.	12/15/2021 9:29 PM
40	I live here because I love natural beauty and enjoy living in a small community.	12/15/2021 11:08 AM
41	Franconia's natural beauty is why we live here.	12/10/2021 7:56 AM
42	I wanted a view to wake up to every day that reminded me what is most important—the great outdoors—and a town that felt the same way about its surroundings.	12/9/2021 12:31 PM
43	I moved to town specifically for the schools, but it's got many other great qualities. A great cliff, for starts!	12/7/2021 3:34 PM
44	I went to school here and returned when I retired.	12/7/2021 12:06 PM
45	Family roots, and the easily accessible natural beauty of the woods. There is wonder available with every observation of the natural world, and it's all around me here.	12/6/2021 3:56 PM
46	Area has been my happy place since 1980.	12/6/2021 8:39 AM
47	Hometown of my family.	12/5/2021 8:36 AM
48	Family ties as well as perfect environment, scenery, peace, fun and retirement area continue to make us happy we are residents.	12/4/2021 10:36 PM
49	A nice small, quiet, beautiful area.	12/4/2021 6:45 PM
50	Small town, friendliness, recreation, good services, and beautiful scenery.	12/4/2021 4:43 PM
51	Love the views, the people, the proximity to skiing, the availability of golf, the clean air, and the night sky.	12/4/2021 1:27 PM
52	Access to hiking, canoeing, biking, snowboarding. Small town with mostly a liberal outlook. Good schools.	12/4/2021 10:16 AM
53	It's got a wonderful school system, people who care, and has great natural resources. It is close to commercial centers and easy to get to cities and airports with just a few hours' drive.	12/4/2021 8:02 AM
54	I was born in Franconia and I love our town	12/3/2021 11:32 PM
55	I live in Franconia for its great community, fantastic education and ll around access to outdoor	12/3/2021 10:17 PM

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	activity.	
56	The mountains and other recreational opportunities	12/3/2021 8:53 PM
57	My family has been here for 3 generations and it has always been home.	12/3/2021 8:05 PM
58	Came here 20 years ago-for the skiing. Live here now for the views.	12/3/2021 6:21 PM
59	People who came before me and took care of the land and tried to help those less fortunate. The love of community and the simple life drew me here	12/3/2021 5:46 PM
60	The recreational lifestyle it cultivates and its accessibility to urban centers and suitability for working in a virtual environment	12/3/2021 4:51 PM
61	Love the mountains and small town.	12/3/2021 3:32 PM
62	Natural beauty, family history, being remote from businesses and shopping. Our location makes it easy to reach needs in those areas without cluttering our small town.	12/3/2021 3:03 PM
63	Quality of life...	12/3/2021 3:00 PM
64	I am a lucky descendant of many forbears who loved this area and wanted to protect it	12/3/2021 2:57 PM
65	The beauty - I feel fortunate to live and cherish being a New Englander, it such a beautiful part of the country. While not perfect, people, for the most part, are respectful of differences.	12/3/2021 2:51 PM
66	Ski, hike, bike, outdoor recreation	12/3/2021 2:23 PM
67	Because it's the best place to live of course! Our little town has built-in community but also affords its residents the opportunity to get out into the woods and mountains without having to go too far.	12/3/2021 2:20 PM
68	A small part of heaven	12/3/2021 1:56 PM
69	Access to the outdoors and quality elementary education.	12/3/2021 1:49 PM
70	Great school systems	12/3/2021 1:33 PM
71	Natural beauty, small town feel, the schools, the Recreation program, town amenities (namely the Dow, town trails, and the Abbie Greenleaf Library)	12/3/2021 1:15 PM
72	Mountains - skiing, hiking, natural beauty. Access to hunting and open space. Living free.	12/1/2021 7:32 AM
73	Access to trails and nature, clean air and great community	12/1/2021 6:06 AM
74	Located here as needed to pick a location . Needed to relocate and found Needed to settle somewhere and as children grew up skiing Cannon knew would enjoy the area plus hiking also! Tourist industry would provide income! Low paying so happy with Fox Hill Manufactured Home Park, expensive and now own it!	11/30/2021 11:51 PM
75	Climate, skiing, hiking, small tight community,	11/30/2021 7:48 PM
76	For the green space and its access	11/30/2021 7:27 PM
77	Outdoor recreation and friendly town	11/30/2021 7:07 PM
78	Great small town feel, superb all-season outdoor recreation opportunities.	11/30/2021 5:46 PM
79	Excellent schools Community	11/30/2021 12:20 PM
80	My family has raised four generations in Franconia. It has a great school system and it's a great place to raise children. Children could feel safe walking down the streets. At one time you used to know people when you saw them. I have no idea who most people are any more. No one says Hello just to say Hello. People in Franconia are no longer friendly or concerned with how their neighbors are any more. (That is not from COVID...just the people that move here)	11/30/2021 12:12 PM
81	Living here nurtures me every moment. As I move around Franconia, I say to myself, "I can't believe I live here." because it is so beautiful and so peaceful. Why am I so lucky as to get to live here? Especially in today's world, I live here because it brings me peace.	11/30/2021 10:47 AM
82	It is a second home for us that allows us to enjoy skiing Cannon Mt., country skiing, snowshoeing in the winter months and hiking year round. We appreciate the simplicity and non	11/30/2021 10:35 AM

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	commercialization.	
83	I grew up here and came back to take care of an aging parent. Enjoying the outside recreation- skiing, hiking, biking-keeps me here for now.	11/30/2021 9:56 AM
84	Love the area and access to hiking and skit	11/30/2021 9:50 AM
85	It's a peaceful small town that does not allow Condo's or hotels to be built.	11/30/2021 9:32 AM
86	Peace and quiet, ability to enjoy natural beauty of the landscape over commercial development and traffic.	11/30/2021 9:30 AM
87	Cannon Mountain	11/30/2021 9:23 AM
88	We have the best neighbors in a peaceful and rural neighborhood. There are so many 4-season outdoor opportunities, too.	11/30/2021 9:18 AM
89	The mountains, the views, the trails, the wooded spaces. Because I can be involved locally in areas that interest me.	11/29/2021 9:32 PM
90	Almost retired and ended up here by chance and by choice several years ago. No regrets.	11/24/2021 4:13 PM
91	I love the mountains and backcountry and everything that has to offer. It's rugged yet accessible. I love the small town appeal, yet close enough to bigger towns and cities so you don't feel isolated.	11/23/2021 1:32 PM
92	Grew up here; now caring for parents	11/22/2021 4:17 PM
93	It is a nice place to live with very little big world problems	11/22/2021 4:10 PM
94	Married a resident and not sure where, or if, to move especially since my home is owned free and clear.	11/22/2021 3:10 PM
95	Cannon Mountain + access to natural resources for us and our young children (Dow Field; Gale River; Fox Hill Park) + a community that's welcoming of second home owners such as ourselves	11/21/2021 8:28 AM
96	Moved here for the schools and the town is a good fit for us.	11/18/2021 4:23 PM
97	We had chosen NH as the place for our retirement. This had the best available housing for our budget when we relocated. Dumb luck, but we are very glad that we are here. Love living in NH.	11/18/2021 2:22 PM
98	rural, small town, availability of outdoor activities, limited shopping centers	11/18/2021 10:38 AM
99	Location, location, location	11/17/2021 3:09 PM
100	I like the views, the general look of the downtown area, the Artwalk, my neighborhood, the size of the town, and easy access to the highway.	11/16/2021 9:36 AM
101	Fell in love with its beauty and peacefulness 45 years ago.	11/12/2021 12:07 PM
102	moved here 33 years ago seeking community. enjoy nature.	11/9/2021 11:24 PM
103	Na	11/9/2021 7:18 PM
104	To be close to nature instead of noise, pollution and people.	11/4/2021 1:37 PM

Q26 Additional Comments:

Answered: 36 Skipped: 36

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We are seeing our Toad Hill Rd. neighborhood becoming an Airbnb and tourist area rather than a neighborhood with diversity of ages, incomes and interests in others and the importance of getting involved in activities and issues in town.	1/26/2022 7:56 PM
2	We need to more carefully analyze what Franconia spends its tax dollars on. And more open information on who makes those decisions,	1/1/2022 3:37 PM
3	I really wanted to do this survey but I am intimidated by having to include a name because some of the biggest issues in town are hard to not offend people with. I know of a few people who did not do this survey because of that exact reason. Maybe you won't count this because of that but I had to at least try. I would hate for this survey to be done only by people who are comfortable giving their name because that means they are happy with some of the things I am unhappy with, and a lot of others are unhappy with too.	12/31/2021 6:14 PM
4	Kim does a good job trying to communicate through the sign at Peabody/Smith and website. Those are really helpful	12/30/2021 12:02 PM
5	Also nice to have the new sidewalks finished and the new stop signs. The "New Traffic Pattern" signs can probably come down now that they have been there a few months	12/30/2021 11:56 AM
6	Taxes too high	12/30/2021 11:44 AM
7	The resurfaced road along Main street and new sidewalks & curbs are certainly a plus as is the Franconia Marketplace and Salon As retirees. we enjoy walking at Cannon and occasionally ride the Tram during the week with visitors. Appreciate being able to ride the Tram for free. Wonder what Cannon Skiers would like to have available in Franconia that aren't available now. They have money to spend. The Marketplac probably serves their needs and wants well. Is there enough parking along Main St for activities like the art display recently in summer? Is parking for major sports activities and other activities at the Dow? It is a good facility for the town and its residents.	12/30/2021 11:34 AM
8	Hopefully the town will look into and ask our federal government officials for monies from the new federal infrastructure bill for the installation of broadband access for most if not all residents of Franconia	12/30/2021 11:02 AM
9	The Down Park is a tremendous asset for all ages and should be a priority. E.g. community band concerts, athletic (all ages) events, the Chambers players concerts. Keep Franconia a Village Mail this out to Franconia mailing lists and indicate what to do with the completed form.	12/30/2021 10:27 AM
10	I work at Franconia Market & Deli full time and can not rent a place here. Living in a shelter as a person with a job!	12/30/2021 10:19 AM
11	The chamber players oncerts on the Down were a good example of a growing interest in culture. Foxhill is awesome but dog poop! Need bags and somewhere to put the bags. Seems like the Notch and town could work together more. Ex: A shuttle bus from town to and from hiking/skiing or lodging. lodging. Our proximity to Franconia Notch State Park is a gold mine if mined PR! There are no rentals!	12/30/2021 10:02 AM
12	Wish something could be done about the house on Main St. with all the junk in the yard and on the porch.	12/22/2021 5:58 PM
13	do more to support the Art Walk	12/21/2021 11:28 AM
14	Thank you for doing this.	12/15/2021 11:08 AM
15	Thank you for making our town the best possible town!	12/9/2021 12:31 PM
16	Good luck tabulating all this. One thing I worry about having attended enough meetings. That's the vocal, grumbly anti taxers. No one likes taxes, and that big bill every 6 months is tough.	12/7/2021 3:34 PM

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However, to live in a nice place costs money. Being cheap to knock the rate down a bit, at the expense of the town, is likely a bad strategy.

17	Thanks for doing this work!	12/4/2021 10:16 AM
18	Love Franconia	12/3/2021 5:46 PM
19	The village is really part of a multitown mosaic and its future is intimately linked to the evolution of the surrounding towns, especially Littleton and Bethlehem. It also serves to be the commercial first stop for Easton and Sugar Hill. Certainly some expansion of the towns commercial and cultural resources can be considered but should compliment and not compete with up our neighbors. The valley can serve as a role model for active outdoor recreational communities elsewhere that provide diverse opportunities for young and old and those more and less affluent.	12/3/2021 4:51 PM
20	I have respect and honor those who work for the town and the town select board for giving their time and energy to make Franconia a safe Desirable place to live and work. Thank you	12/3/2021 3:32 PM
21	We are lucky to be here. And thankful	12/3/2021 1:56 PM
22	We love Franconia and hope it continues to get better!	12/3/2021 1:15 PM
23	Let's NOT make Franconia a Massachusetts-style suburb with excessive regulation and expensive bureaucratic government infrastructure. Live Free or Die. Keep our taxes low and keep our government small (but effective and efficient).	12/1/2021 7:32 AM
24	Thank you for soliciting this feedback and compiling these data We are interested in reading as comprehensive a summary as possible of the input, as well as seeing being part of the process that will distill from these data the master plan.	11/30/2021 7:27 PM
25	Thanks for asking all these questions. I look forward to hearing how others respond. Thanks for all you do for the town. I'm feeling remiss that I am not more informed, not more helpful in making the town a better place.	11/30/2021 10:47 AM
26	Franconia does not offer diverse housing opportunities and, as we age, we don't want to care for big house and property.	11/30/2021 9:56 AM
27	Please pave our road and include our deadend circle this time The plows turn here and make large grooves when the road isn't frozen enough	11/30/2021 9:50 AM
28	A huge concern for all of us... We should NOT let Casella use our roads for any transportation of their vehicles hauling solid waste.	11/30/2021 9:32 AM
29	We appreciate the opportunity to live in a community that emphasizes the natural landscape and minimizes costs and taxes for residents. Our family is open to volunteering time and resources that would avoid adding permanent costs to the town budget. Perhaps these volunteer opportunities could be better publicized as needs arise.	11/30/2021 9:30 AM
30	Thanks for doing this survey!	11/30/2021 9:18 AM
31	Thank you for putting this survey together.	11/29/2021 9:32 PM
32	We have a great town and community with residents who WANT to live here. We need to keep this environment friendly and accessible to all and encourage new residents by making town services inviting and keeping the community vibrant.	11/23/2021 1:32 PM
33	N/A	11/22/2021 4:17 PM
34	We feel so fortunate to be a part of the Franconia community	11/21/2021 8:28 AM
35	Welcome center, yes.	11/18/2021 4:23 PM
36	Thanks for the opportunity to have a say.	11/18/2021 2:22 PM