

What is a Comprehensive Plan? What does a Comprehensive Plan actually do?

A Comprehensive Plan is a guidance document that sets goals, policies, and priorities for investing in the physical, economic, and environmental future of our Town. Comprehensive Plans typically address a wide range of issues that are important to residents and business leaders. Comprehensive Plans provide an overall vision for the community, with key priorities and strategies for achieving that vision.

Does the Village have a Comprehensive Plan?

No. The Village has conducted a variety of planning exercises over the years that have either been limited in topic or geographic scope.

The Town of Greenwich does have a Comprehensive Plan, which was originally adopted in 1971 and subsequently updated in 1989 and 2004. The most recent Comprehensive Plan can be downloaded from the Town web page at [Comprehensive Plan \(Current\)](#).

Why are the Village and Town preparing a joint Comprehensive Plan?

The Village and Town have been working closely together on a variety of planning projects, most recently completing the joint Greenwich Revitalization Plan. The Village and Town also recently submitted a grant application to NYS Department of State to fund infrastructure and zoning updates recommended in the 2022 Greenwich Revitalization Plan.

Understanding their interconnected vision, goals, issues, and opportunities and the continued collaboration of the two communities, the Village and Town decided to prepare a joint Comprehensive Plan. The plan will reflect the recently completed Greenwich Revitalization Plan and establish strategies to guide development in the Village and Town over the next 15 to 20 years.

How long will it take to update the plan? And how can I stay informed and/or participate in the process?

The planning process is expected to take approximately 9-12 months to complete. To stay informed and learn about ways to participate:

- This page will be the central Village public portal of information for this initiative.
- Press releases will be drafted and distributed so that local newsletters can publish timely information for their readers during the course of the initiative.
- Project information and interim deliverables will be available at the Greenwich Free Library throughout the planning process.
- Future workshops or meetings will be announced on the Town and Village websites and social media, in addition to other opportunities for residents to contribute information, opinions, data, etc.

Who is leading this initiative?

This initiative is being directed by a Project Advisory Committee appointed by the Village Board and Town Board.

Comprehensive Plan Committee members:

- Mayor Pamela Fuller, Village of Greenwich
- Supervisor Jim Nolan, Town of Greenwich
- Maria Robinson, Village Trustee
- Tom Graves, Town Councilman
- Sarah Tuttle, Village ZBA Member
- William Tomkins, Town Planning Board Chair
- John Mattison
- Pete Veale

In Spring 2022, the Village and Town hired a consulting firm, LaBella Associates, to work with the Project Advisory Committee in developing the plan.

How can I provide opinions, ideas, strategies, and/or information to contribute to this process?

You can share your ideas and more at community forums and by sending emails to ngreenberger@labellapc.com. We want to hear from you!

What is the community forum schedule?

In addition to checking the website, the Village Board will regularly provide updates at its regular meetings and through conventional & social media. Public engagement opportunities will be advertised on the website and on flyers. The first public events will occur in Fall 2022.