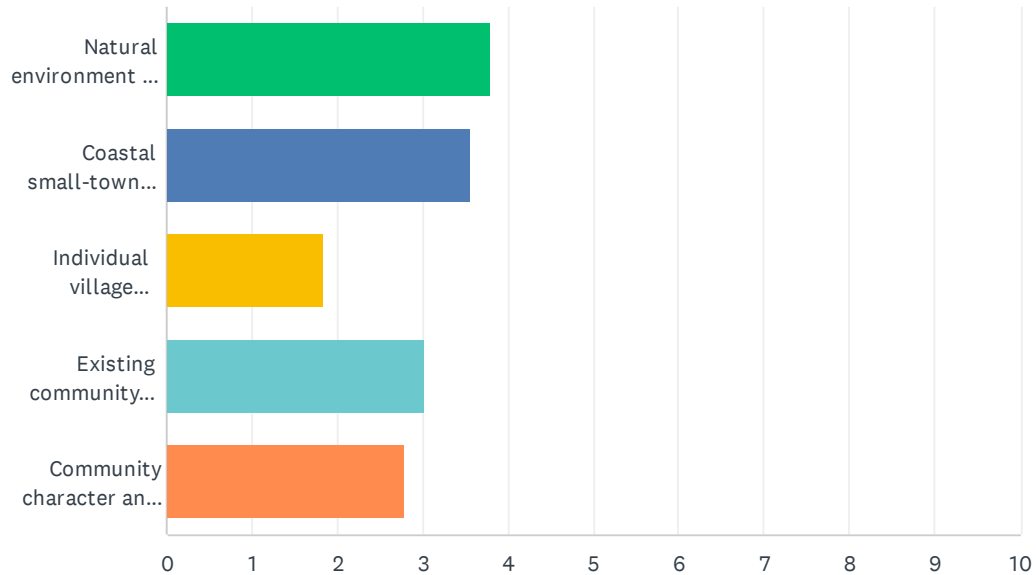


Q1 What do you value most about Harwich? (1=most valuable, 5=least valuable)

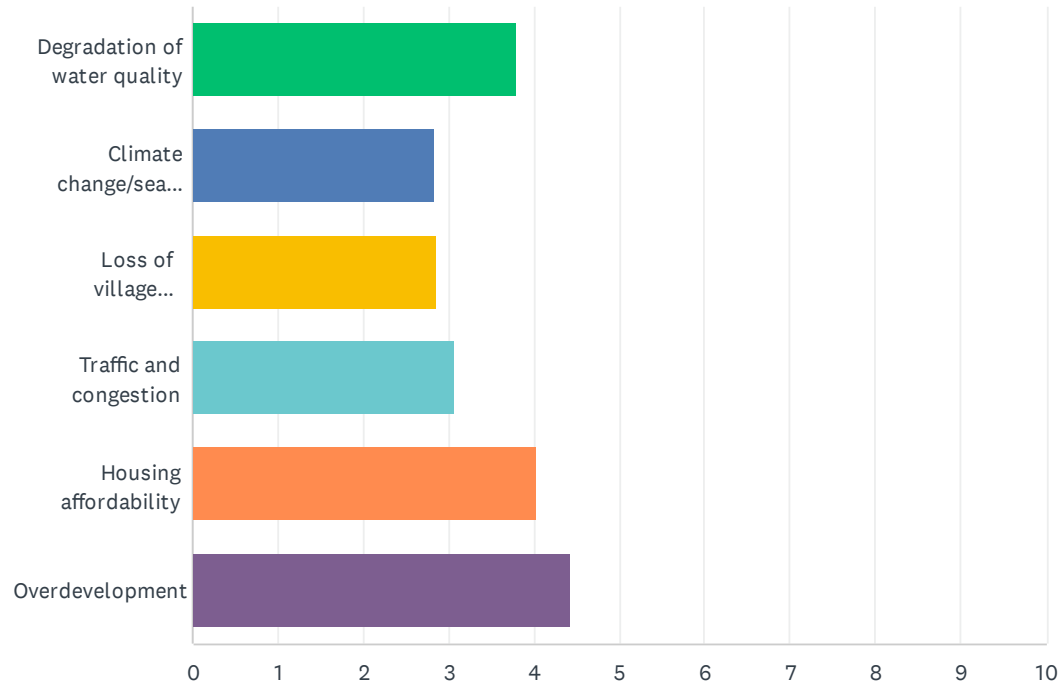
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	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
Natural environment and open space	37.20% 234	28.30% 178	17.33% 109	11.13% 70	6.04% 38	629	3.79
Coastal small-town community feel	29.09% 183	27.82% 175	19.87% 125	16.53% 104	6.68% 42	629	3.56
Individual village identity	3.50% 22	7.79% 49	10.65% 67	23.85% 150	54.21% 341	629	1.83
Existing community services (e.g. education, healthcare, small businesses)	21.30% 134	18.92% 119	21.78% 137	17.33% 109	20.67% 130	629	3.03
Community character and form (e.g. quality and character of buildings and streetscapes)	8.90% 56	17.17% 108	30.37% 191	31.16% 196	12.40% 78	629	2.79

Q2 What most concerns you about Harwich's future? (1=most concerned, 6=least concerned)

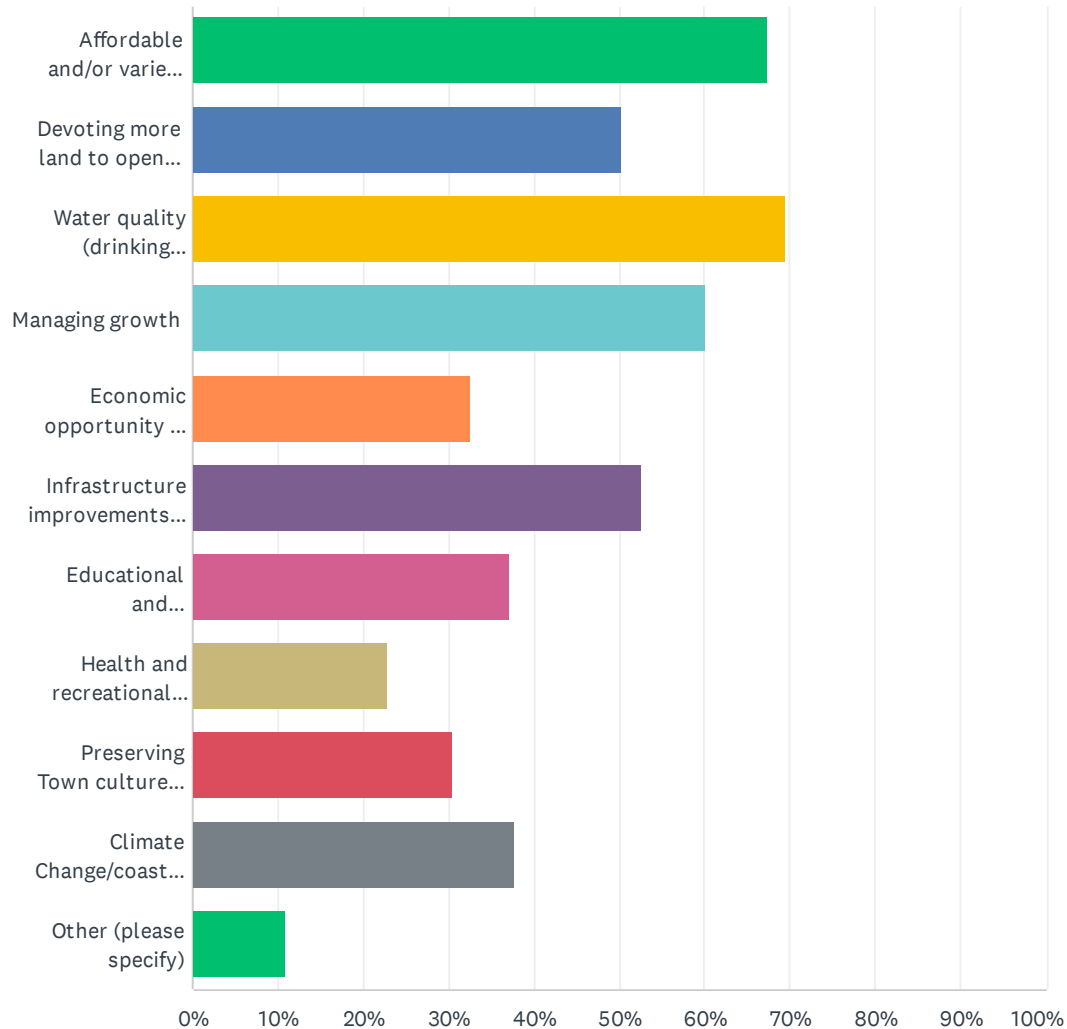
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	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL	SCORE
Degradation of water quality	11.83% 73	23.82% 147	24.64% 152	18.31% 113	14.75% 91	6.65% 41	617	3.80
Climate change/sea level rise	7.46% 46	12.48% 77	13.29% 82	18.96% 117	17.67% 109	30.15% 186	617	2.83
Loss of village character	7.13% 44	12.48% 77	13.78% 85	19.45% 120	20.42% 126	26.74% 165	617	2.86
Traffic and congestion	6.32% 39	12.48% 77	20.42% 126	19.94% 123	23.82% 147	17.02% 105	617	3.06
Housing affordability	30.31% 187	17.99% 111	13.13% 81	11.51% 71	15.72% 97	11.35% 70	617	4.02
Overdevelopment	36.95% 228	20.75% 128	14.75% 91	11.83% 73	7.62% 47	8.10% 50	617	4.43

Q3 What are the top challenges facing the Town of Harwich? (Choose your top five):

Answered: 621 Skipped: 23



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Affordable and/or varied housing types	67.31%	418
Devoting more land to open space (for recreation or natural resource protection)	50.40%	313
Water quality (drinking water, ponds, and estuaries)	69.40%	431
Managing growth	60.06%	373
Economic opportunity for residents	32.53%	202
Infrastructure improvements (e.g. roadway improvements, sewer collection and treatment)	52.66%	327
Educational and recreational opportunities for youth	37.20%	231
Health and recreational opportunities for seniors	22.87%	142
Preserving Town culture (e.g. arts, heritage and diversity)	30.60%	190
Climate Change/coastal resiliency	37.68%	234
Other (please specify)	10.95%	68
Total Respondents: 621		

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1	Dredging and beach nourishment	12/28/2023 1:35 PM
2	Public recreational opportunities for youth	12/28/2023 11:43 AM
3	the ouput of elected officials, no match for my needs	12/28/2023 11:07 AM
4	Need for greater diversity (which becomes more challenging as affordability declines)	12/26/2023 2:39 PM
5	migration	12/26/2023 2:38 PM
6	Traffic	12/25/2023 1:49 PM
7	Allowing teardown of historic properties	12/25/2023 11:26 AM
8	Nitrogen loading	12/25/2023 11:20 AM
9	Automated enforcement...rules of the road! (Speed, traffic lights, stop signs, etc.)	12/22/2023 4:19 PM
10	Rezone to half acre lots more affordable	12/22/2023 2:45 PM
11	Dysfunctional town government -- personnel quitting and Board of Selectmen	12/21/2023 11:31 AM
12	a town pool big enough for lap swimming for Harwich residents (closest YMCA is in Barnstable)	12/21/2023 10:27 AM
13	educators in the schools	12/18/2023 1:50 PM
14	economic aquisitiveness	12/18/2023 8:08 AM
15	Add massive plantings of beautiful tall (closely planted) trees along Rt. 39 and Rt. 137 to shade and cool roadways during coming hotter years!	12/15/2023 8:49 PM
16	Cost of living. Restaurants prices, gas & groceries here opposed to over the bridge	12/14/2023 9:17 PM
17	One response is limited to youth and another is limited to seniors. I want both of these for all ages. I would prefer to see broader questions that encompass all groups ..."services and opportunities that bring people together, create connections between residents and a sense of community." Things like Community Center and Brooks Library are not covered by any of the options yet are important in building a sense of community and connectedness.	12/14/2023 6:57 PM
18	We have to go to surrounding communities for toddler programs. Shame!	12/14/2023 11:44 AM

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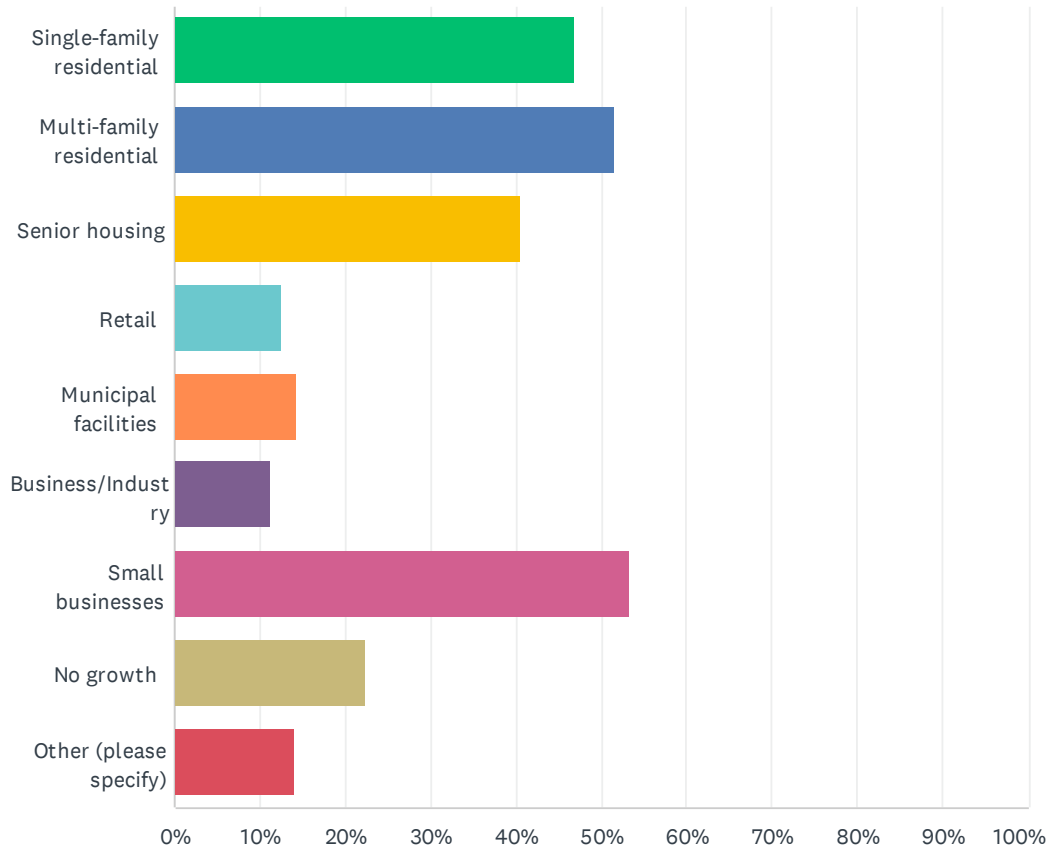
19	Illegal immigrants/homeless	12/14/2023 10:25 AM
20	Golf course availability for HARWICH RESIDENTS	12/14/2023 9:04 AM
21	Political stability	12/14/2023 9:03 AM
22	The clowns that are running this town	12/14/2023 8:46 AM
23	Town governance	12/14/2023 8:15 AM
24	We need sidewalks	12/13/2023 9:56 PM
25	Keeping young, native families here	12/13/2023 4:26 PM
26	Having the town prioritizing immigrants or ppl from over the bridge rather than natives of the Cape	12/13/2023 2:47 PM
27	Making immigrants a priority instead of taking care of natives here in town	12/13/2023 2:44 PM
28	Reviving Harwich Center	12/13/2023 9:40 AM
29	Overdevelopment	12/12/2023 6:55 PM
30	HEALTH CARE!!!	12/12/2023 7:41 AM
31	hiring and keeping good town employees / department heads	12/10/2023 8:40 PM
32	I am concerned about the departure of town employees / department heads	12/10/2023 8:34 PM
33	absentee, out of town investors (i.e.,Air B&B owners)	12/9/2023 5:32 PM
34	Adult education	12/9/2023 11:45 AM
35	Queen Anne Rd. Best (quickest) route to Chatham. Results in increased traffic & speeding.	12/7/2023 11:05 PM
36	Preserving Cape Cod Character	12/7/2023 9:49 PM
37	reducing road litter that goes onto roadside property both public & private	12/7/2023 2:34 PM
38	Access to beach. Terrible how wealthiest are taking over beaches eg, Bank street to Wychmere	12/7/2023 12:55 PM
39	Tax burden heavy on home owners	12/7/2023 12:25 PM
40	Spending money we don't have and continuously raising taxes	12/7/2023 11:36 AM
41	Free activities for low income kids	12/7/2023 10:56 AM
42	ZONING: enabling large lots, large 2nd \$\$Million homes, consequence (UN)affordability for local residents & loss of natural space, environment, water quality - destroying the reason 'we' live here.	12/7/2023 10:34 AM
43	Route 28 congestion	12/7/2023 8:44 AM
44	Governance and civic issues	12/7/2023 8:38 AM
45	mixed use development in village settings	12/7/2023 7:51 AM
46	Maintaining neighborhood character	12/7/2023 7:16 AM
47	#1. Full sewer installation NOW!	12/7/2023 7:11 AM
48	zoning that limits affordable housing options. Unworkable currently	12/7/2023 5:44 AM
49	6	12/6/2023 11:20 PM
50	Good governance	12/6/2023 7:24 PM
51	Control taxes	12/6/2023 5:38 PM
52	Loss of community fabric	12/6/2023 3:52 PM
53	Poor and backward town governace	12/6/2023 1:52 PM
54	leadership in town govt	12/6/2023 1:26 PM

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55	financial sustainability	12/6/2023 1:22 PM
56	Decline of civility at Select Board Meetings. We are first and foremost 'neighbors'; lets act like it.	12/6/2023 1:08 PM
57	Resistance to change and the mean nature of the Harwich Old Timers group	12/6/2023 12:56 PM
58	Small Businesses need to survive in this declining economy	12/6/2023 12:50 PM
59	destruction of historic/older housing by neglect	12/6/2023 12:10 PM
60	Aging Population increasing	12/4/2023 1:15 PM
61	Harwich Port character has changed into noisy nightlife. Residents nearby are a second thought	12/1/2023 6:55 AM
62	Speeding and dangerous intersections	11/30/2023 11:30 PM
63	affordable housing for young families	11/27/2023 10:08 PM
64	Preserving our past - save the sea captains homes and other historic structures	11/27/2023 2:12 PM
65	Please bring industry and jobs to Harwich. More jobs employing people and more middle class housing will quickly follow	11/27/2023 10:40 AM
66	shady politicians.	11/27/2023 10:14 AM
67	town government with no enforcement standards	11/27/2023 9:34 AM
68	town government with no enforcement standards	11/27/2023 9:20 AM

Q4 What type of growth should the Town focus on in the future? (Choose your top three):

Answered: 623 Skipped: 21



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Single-family residential	46.87%	292
Multi-family residential	51.69%	322
Senior housing	40.61%	253
Retail	12.68%	79
Municipal facilities	14.29%	89
Business/Industry	11.24%	70
Small businesses	53.29%	332
No growth	22.31%	139
Other (please specify)	14.13%	88
Total Respondents: 623		

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1	Putting existing facilities to better use.	12/29/2023 12:59 PM
2	No more growth	12/28/2023 1:35 PM
3	Starter homes	12/26/2023 11:09 PM
4	Clusters of housing not developments of 100's	12/26/2023 6:46 PM
5	Affordable housing	12/26/2023 3:27 PM
6	Specifically, smaller/more affordable single-family residential	12/26/2023 2:39 PM
7	Year round housing affordable to the middle & less million dollar homes	12/26/2023 8:00 AM
8	Affordable housing	12/25/2023 8:20 PM
9	In-law apartments or small apartments on exhausting houses/lots	12/25/2023 1:49 PM
10	Utilize existing buildings	12/25/2023 11:01 AM
11	Mixed use	12/25/2023 5:21 AM
12	Affordable housing of any sort	12/24/2023 10:10 AM
13	Affordable housing but NOT 40Bs with market rate units	12/22/2023 5:26 PM
14	Preferably no growth. If there is any it should be single family and senior housing. NO MORE BILL MARSH DEVELOPEMENTS!	12/21/2023 10:28 AM
15	affordable housing	12/19/2023 10:14 AM
16	house on existing property - no cutting down trees for more housing - make use of current vacant buildings	12/18/2023 2:43 PM
17	limited growth	12/18/2023 8:08 AM
18	Managed "smart" growth	12/17/2023 10:14 AM
19	Community spaces (indoor & outdoor) with youth/families in mind	12/16/2023 2:26 PM
20	Various forms of multi-family: ADUs, condos, apartments, mixed use development	12/14/2023 6:57 PM
21	Climate Resiliency	12/14/2023 12:51 PM
22	Restrictions for use of secondary residences and/ or investment properties that crowd out permanent residents	12/14/2023 12:10 PM
23	Reducing taxes	12/14/2023 10:25 AM
24	Recreational opportunities for YOUTH	12/14/2023 9:32 AM
25	Recognize the golf course is for the people of Harwich first.	12/14/2023 9:04 AM
26	Affordable housing apartment facilities	12/14/2023 8:59 AM
27	We need sidewalks	12/13/2023 9:56 PM
28	Development of available recreational spaces	12/13/2023 8:48 PM
29	Fields, indoor athletic spaces	12/13/2023 8:47 PM
30	Restaurants	12/13/2023 3:16 PM
31	ADU's	12/13/2023 1:01 PM
32	Mixed use, housing and business for example apartments above retail area	12/13/2023 12:03 PM
33	affordable housing	12/13/2023 11:16 AM
34	Education, preschools, and youth programs	12/13/2023 11:05 AM
35	Single family affordable housing	12/13/2023 10:40 AM
36	Afordable workforce housing	12/12/2023 9:23 PM

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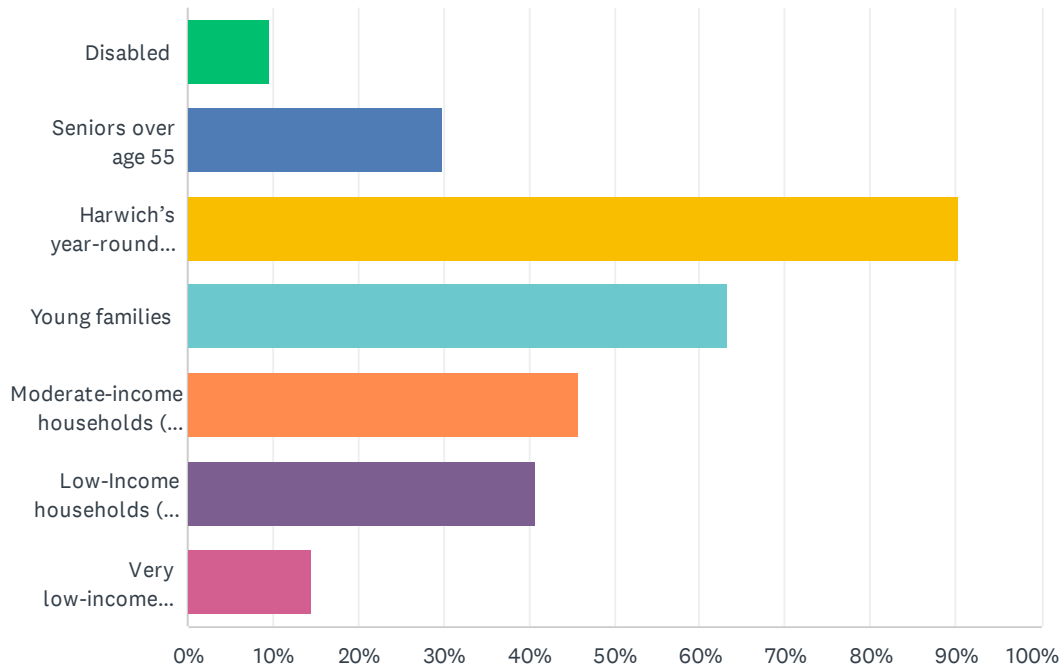
37	growth of open space available to all	12/11/2023 2:08 PM
38	Affordable housing	12/11/2023 12:56 PM
39	Limit Short Term Rentals	12/9/2023 5:32 PM
40	Single family affordable housing	12/9/2023 3:24 PM
41	Recreational	12/9/2023 11:45 AM
42	Recreational	12/8/2023 11:10 AM
43	Wider road shoulders to ensure bicycle safety & accessibility to & improvement of the bike trail.	12/8/2023 9:08 AM
44	Affordable housing	12/8/2023 7:26 AM
45	affordable housing	12/7/2023 7:46 PM
46	Allowing accessory dwelling units	12/7/2023 6:05 PM
47	Affordable housing without stripping land of trees	12/7/2023 2:54 PM
48	Parking at beaches	12/7/2023 2:38 PM
49	Recreational facilities	12/7/2023 12:55 PM
50	Competent town management	12/7/2023 12:25 PM
51	Housing, but not large structures. Small, dual family residences that stay with the character and space of the town.	12/7/2023 11:56 AM
52	Low income and affordable	12/7/2023 10:56 AM
53	Re-visit the 2010 East Harwich Village Center Initiative	12/7/2023 10:34 AM
54	Limited growth that preserves open spaces	12/7/2023 10:34 AM
55	Affordable housing	12/7/2023 9:20 AM
56	No idea	12/7/2023 8:44 AM
57	two family dwellings in cluster developments	12/7/2023 8:38 AM
58	Curtailing "second homes" and summer rentals	12/7/2023 8:06 AM
59	mixed use in village (more dense) settings	12/7/2023 7:51 AM
60	Affordable housing	12/7/2023 6:41 AM
61	Nature preservation and restoration	12/7/2023 6:31 AM
62	cluster multiuse zoning. I lived much of my life above a carpet store	12/7/2023 5:44 AM
63	ADUs, mixed use, cottage colonies	12/6/2023 11:53 PM
64	Open space park areas near Stop and Shop and others with a bench to sit and a playground for children.	12/6/2023 7:48 PM
65	Affordable housing single and multi	12/6/2023 7:24 PM
66	Stop construction of multimillion dollar homes	12/6/2023 7:03 PM
67	Apartment complexes affordable	12/6/2023 5:15 PM
68	Open space/conservation	12/6/2023 4:01 PM
69	Good Bagel store	12/6/2023 3:39 PM
70	Improved transportation infrastructure	12/6/2023 2:20 PM
71	Pause until town planning governance is updated	12/6/2023 1:52 PM
72	multi unit residentail	12/6/2023 1:22 PM
73	Growth of community services, increased community center accessibility and growth in	12/6/2023 12:58 PM

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	community gathering spaces	
74	Affordable housing	12/6/2023 12:01 PM
75	More ADU's	12/5/2023 5:34 PM
76	Patio homes (smaller, one story houses)	12/3/2023 6:33 AM
77	Affordable housing for young families and young professionals and providing jobs for our young people	12/2/2023 9:57 AM
78	Mixed Use (Commercial and Residential in Village centers	12/1/2023 11:08 AM
79	Parking	11/28/2023 8:00 PM
80	Keeping the cape cod charm, Preserving open spaces to nature	11/28/2023 2:38 PM
81	Reuse of existing developed areas. Do not continue developing undeveloped areas	11/27/2023 8:22 PM
82	invest in the history. the village has no identity because it isn't protected.	11/27/2023 12:20 PM
83	More jobs at all levels will allow town to develop an grow in a healthy way and middle class homes will be built as a result of good jobs	11/27/2023 10:40 AM
84	planned growth only. the above topics are only sub categories and some should be eliminated .retail as a separate category seems redundant	11/27/2023 9:34 AM
85	Affordable housing	11/27/2023 9:28 AM
86	planned growth only. the above topics are only sub categories and some should be eliminated .retail as a separate category seems redundant	11/27/2023 9:20 AM
87	Workforce Housing	11/27/2023 8:15 AM
88	mixed use, to make some housing out of long neglected properties	11/26/2023 8:10 PM

Q5 If the Town is able to set a preference for prioritized housing, what type of people would you like to see have such preference? (Choose your top three):2023 HUD Median Household Income for the Barnstable Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) = \$124,300

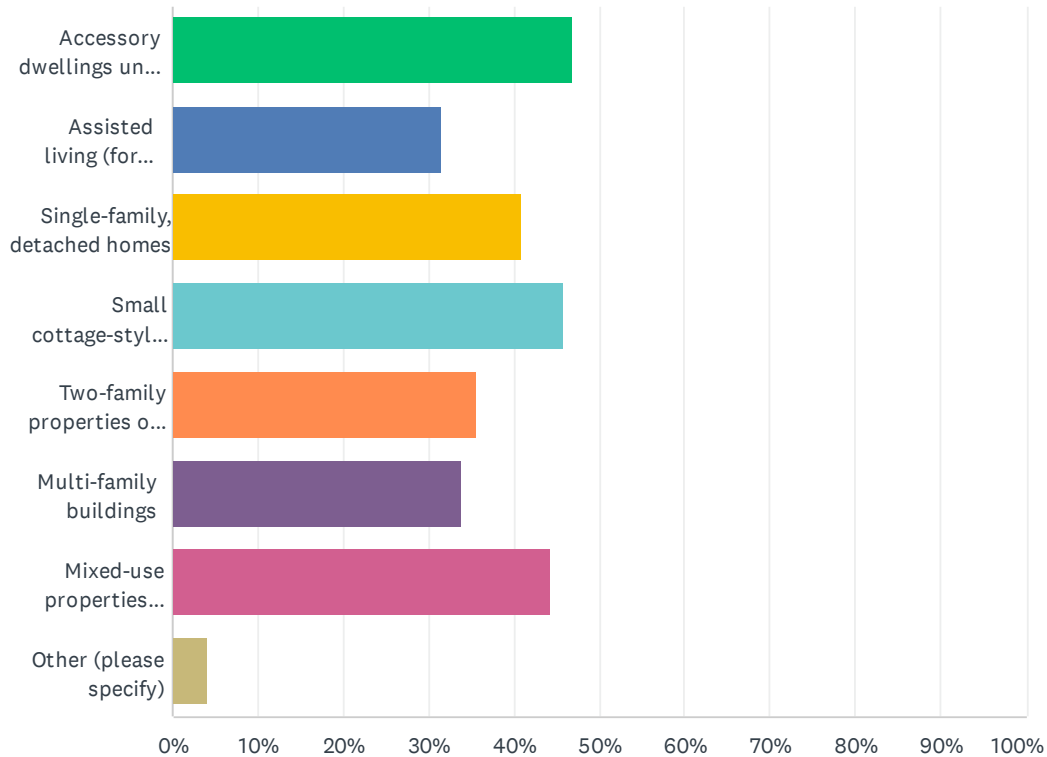
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Disabled	9.54%	54
Seniors over age 55	29.86%	169
Harwich's year-round workers (including but not limited to teachers, firefighters, police, nurses, etc.)	90.46%	512
Young families	63.43%	359
Moderate-income households (for example, a household of four earning between 81% and 100% of area median income or between \$92,051 and \$124,300)	45.94%	260
Low-Income households (for example, a household of four earning between 51% and 80% of area median income or between \$57,551 and \$92,050)	40.81%	231
Very low-income households (for example, a household of four earning less than 50% of area median income or \$54,350)	14.49%	82
Total Respondents: 566		

Q6 If the Town is able to set a preference for prioritized housing, on what types of housing units should the Town focus? (Choose your top three):

Answered: 563 Skipped: 81



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Accessory dwellings units (ADUs) or in-law apartments	46.89%	264
Assisted living (for seniors or people with disabilities)	31.62%	178
Single-family, detached homes	41.03%	231
Small cottage-style homes on small lots	45.83%	258
Two-family properties or duplexes	35.52%	200
Multi-family buildings	33.93%	191
Mixed-use properties (housing and commercial together)	44.40%	250
Other (please specify)	4.09%	23
Total Respondents: 563		

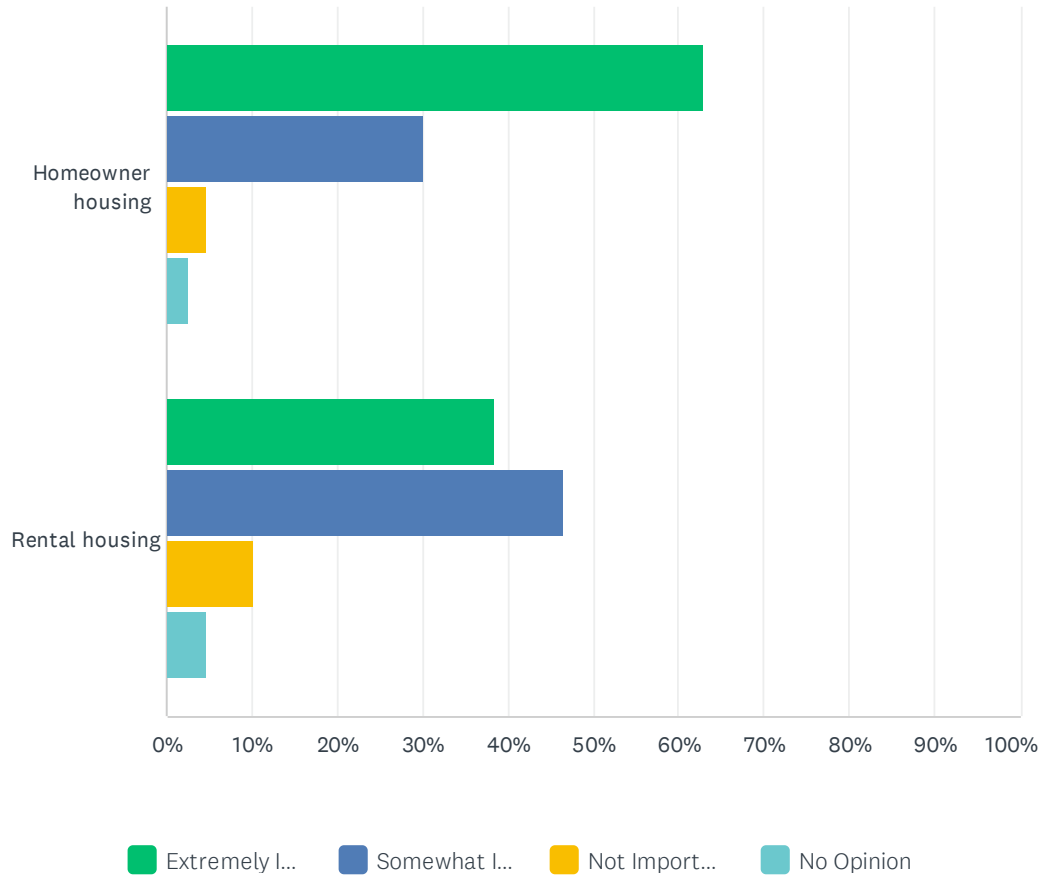
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1	Affordable housing	12/25/2023 1:23 PM
2	Utilize existing buildings	12/25/2023 11:07 AM
3	Apartments for entry level workers.	12/22/2023 4:48 PM

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4	Manufactured homes with cluster zoning.	12/21/2023 5:25 PM
5	Historic retention and reuse	12/14/2023 12:15 PM
6	Affordable housing for young professional families	12/14/2023 11:47 AM
7	Use building that are already in place to create housing. Stop tearing down woods to create UNAFFORDABLE (affordable housing)	12/13/2023 4:29 PM
8	I would not try to build highly dense or low income housing.	12/11/2023 6:26 AM
9	increase restrictions on short term rentals so that it isn't as appealing to people who don't live here to own a home so that the homes go back on the market affordably	12/10/2023 8:42 PM
10	Independent living facility	12/9/2023 4:16 PM
11	I	12/8/2023 4:53 PM
12	Re-visit the 2010 East Harwich Village Center Initiative	12/7/2023 10:38 AM
13	To note: opposed to ADUs. Experience how Maryland handled--not a good approach.	12/7/2023 10:37 AM
14	Complex of single dwelling units (not hi- risers) with individual access to outdoors like King's Way	12/7/2023 9:03 AM
15	No idea. In q 5 you could have had a choice of homeless or other so people could write that in.	12/7/2023 8:48 AM
16	Collective, experienced ideas on keeping seniors in their homes. Considering all options including seniir homes that could rent to youngsters, and other ideas.	12/7/2023 8:09 AM
17	Townhomes	12/7/2023 7:52 AM
18	Small Cottage Style with full town sewer system	12/7/2023 7:14 AM
19	Affordable single homes	12/6/2023 7:46 PM
20	multi unit buildings	12/6/2023 1:24 PM
21	Tiny homes on single family dwellings	11/28/2023 9:20 PM
22	Net ZERO Building	11/27/2023 8:26 PM
23	mixed . Not sure it's the town's business to push one type or another. zoning and standards. but building types yes , as in no high rise.	11/27/2023 9:25 AM

Q7 In setting Town priorities, how important is homeowner vs. rental housing?

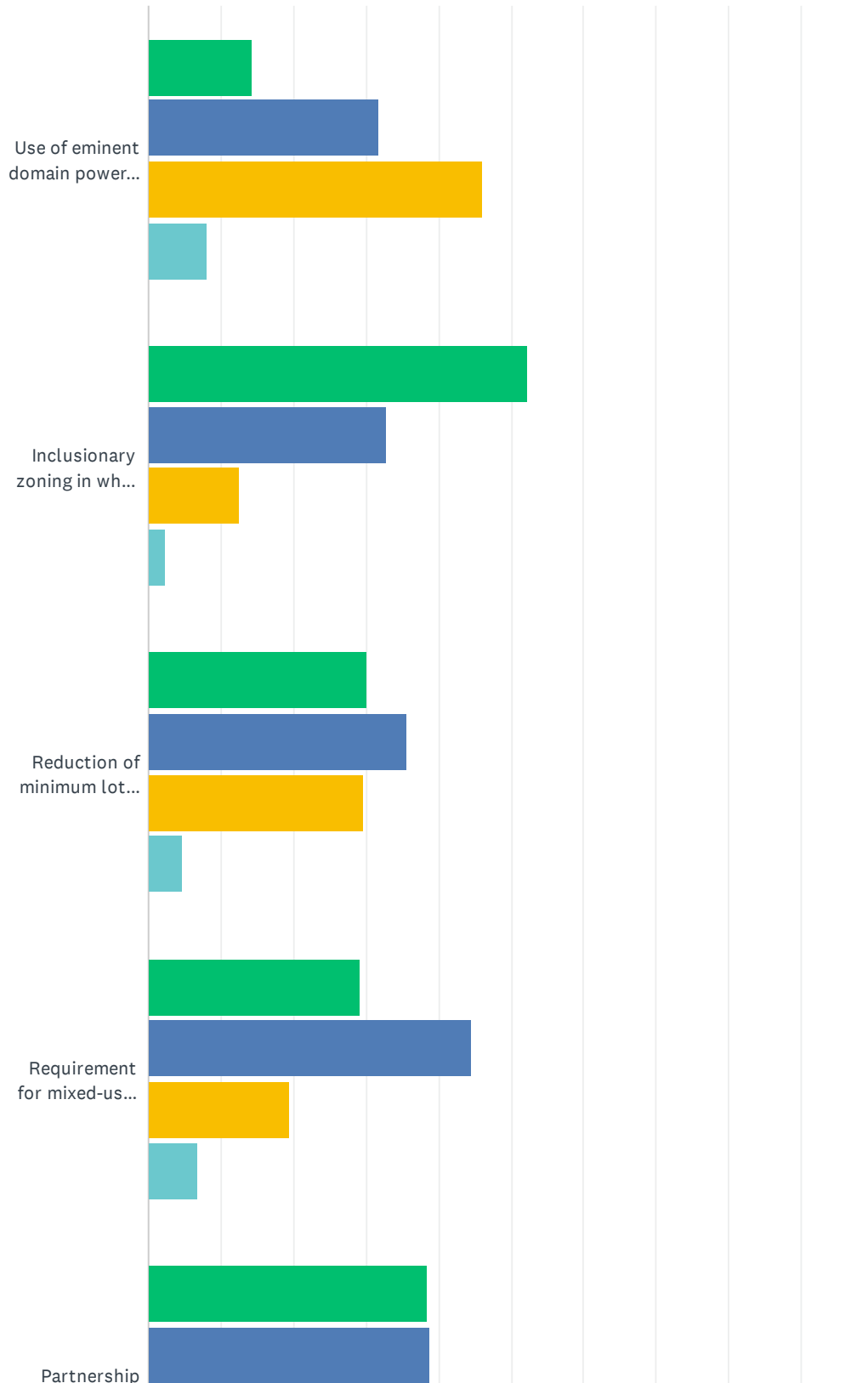
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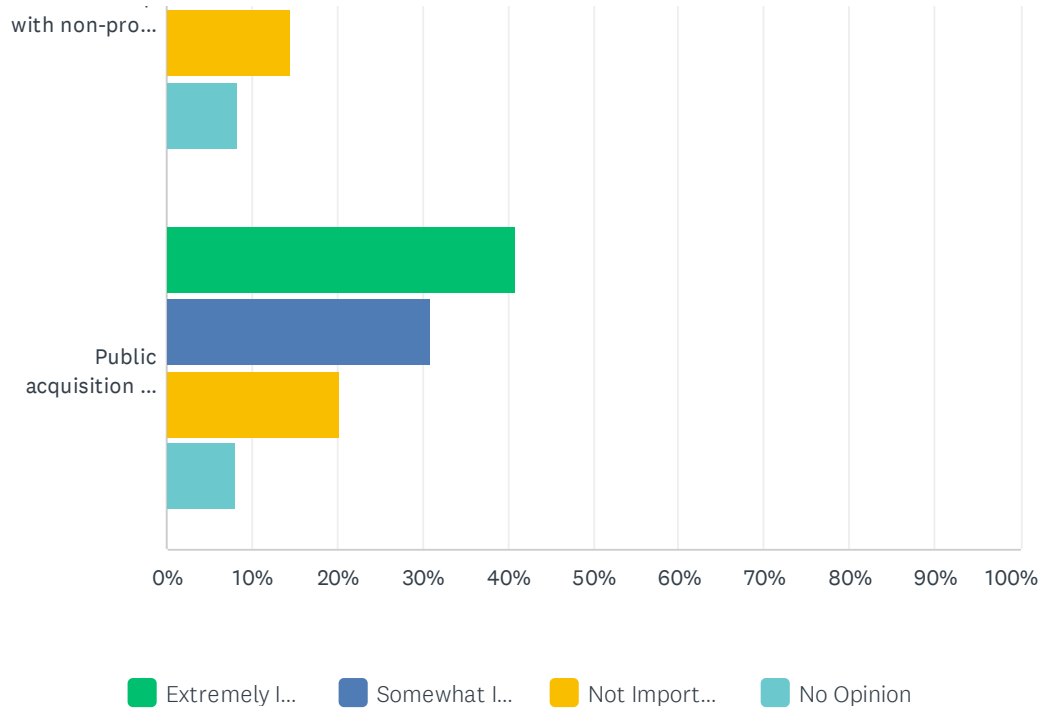
	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Homeowner housing	62.94% 355	29.96% 169	4.61% 26	2.48% 14	564	1.47
Rental housing	38.45% 213	46.57% 258	10.29% 57	4.69% 26	554	1.81

Q8 Various tools are available to support a town's efforts to implement its housing priorities. Please rate the importance of each of the following:

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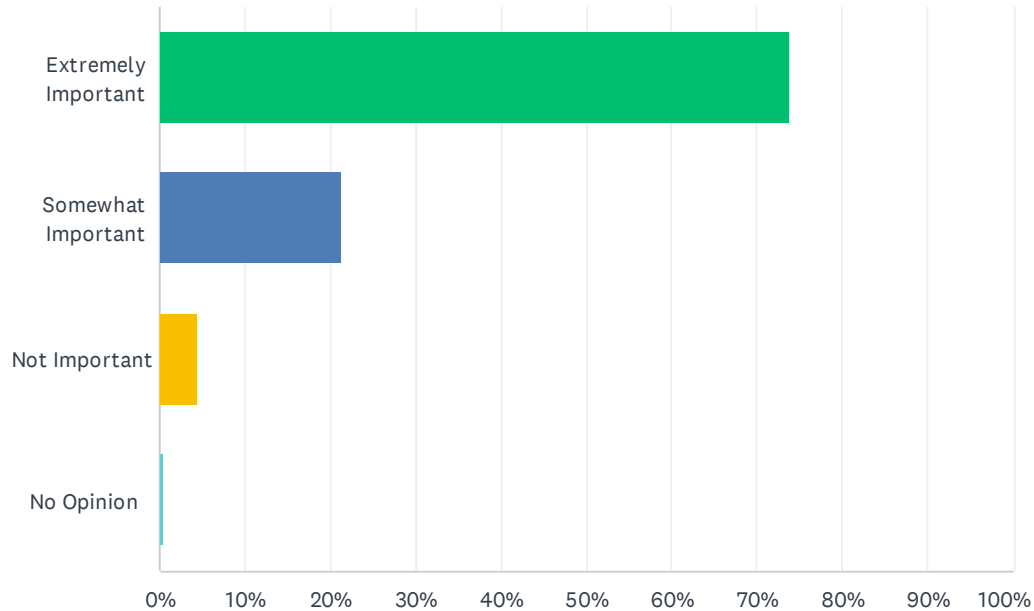
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	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Use of eminent domain powers (government power to take private property for public benefit) to purchase land for the development of affordable housing.	14.23% 78	31.75% 174	45.99% 252	8.03% 44	548	2.48
Inclusionary zoning in which the Town requires a percentage of units to be affordable for projects over a certain size.	52.34% 291	32.73% 182	12.59% 70	2.34% 13	556	1.65
Reduction of minimum lot sizes and/or increase in density to facilitate development of affordable housing.	30.14% 167	35.56% 197	29.60% 164	4.69% 26	554	2.09
Requirement for mixed-use projects with both commercial and residential development.	29.11% 161	44.67% 247	19.35% 107	6.87% 38	553	2.04
Partnership with non-profit housing groups that develop deed-restricted ownership housing.	38.45% 213	38.81% 215	14.44% 80	8.30% 46	554	1.93
Public acquisition of property easements to require use of the property by year-round residents rather than for short-term rentals.	40.90% 227	30.81% 171	20.18% 112	8.11% 45	555	1.95

Q9 How important is it for the Town to continue to acquire and preserve open space and natural areas in Harwich?

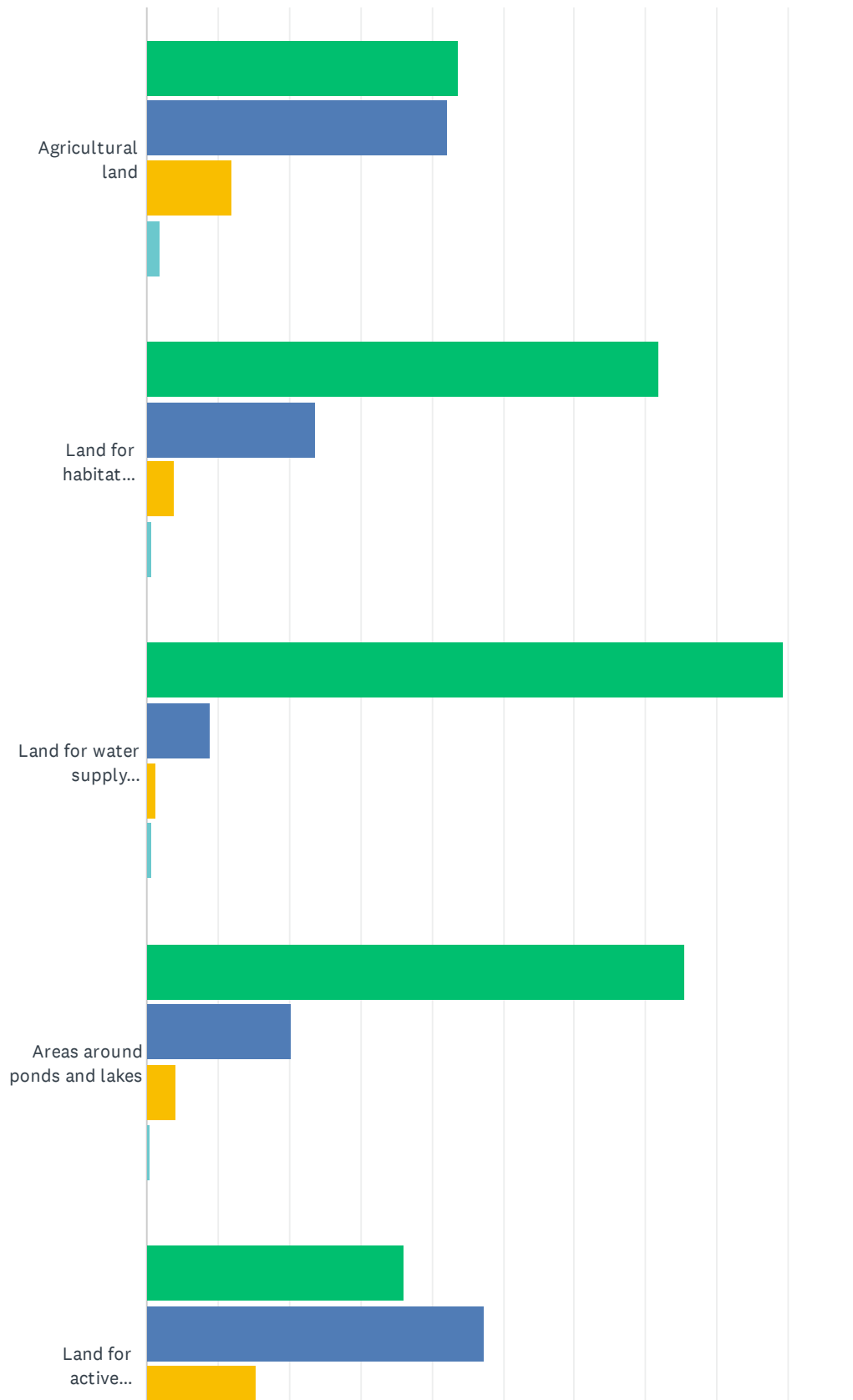
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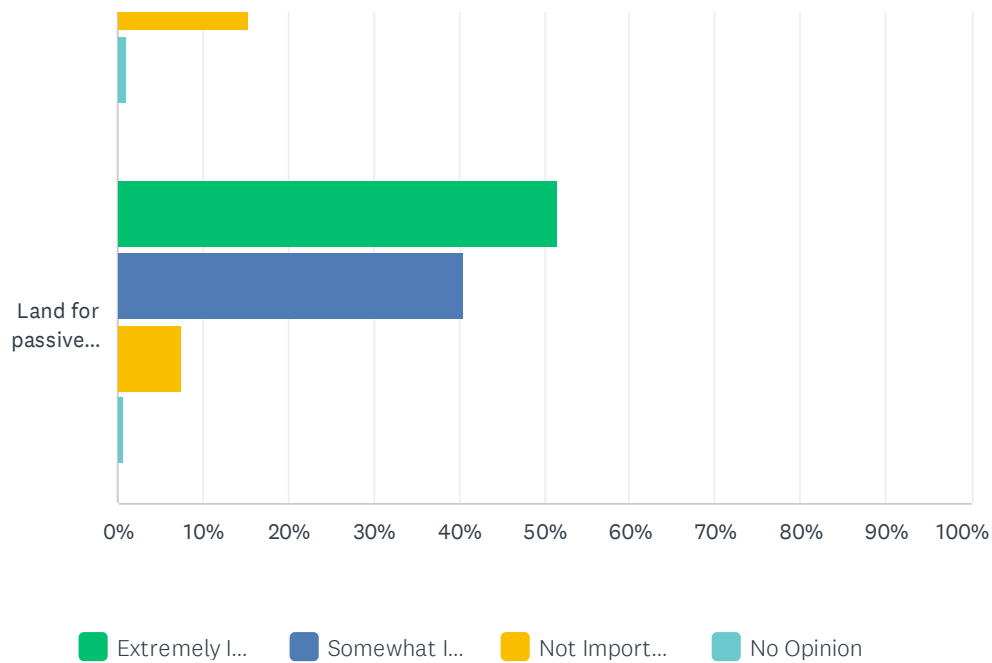
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely Important	73.78%	408
Somewhat Important	21.34%	118
Not Important	4.52%	25
No Opinion	0.36%	2
TOTAL		553

Q10 How important is it to acquire and/or preserve:

Answered: 552 Skipped: 92



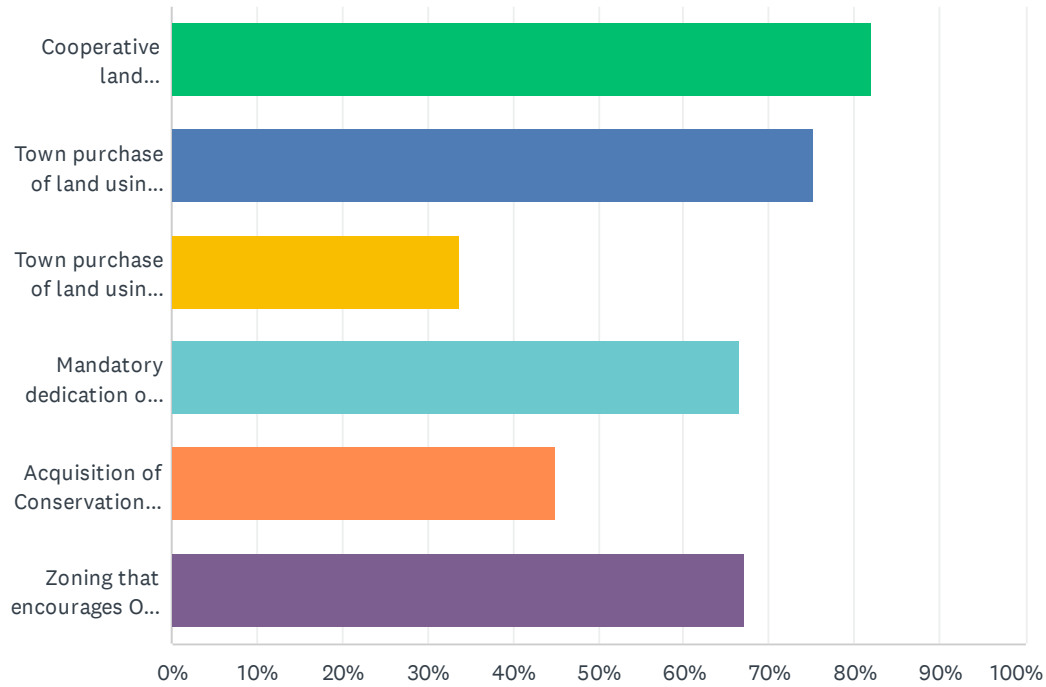
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	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Agricultural land	43.77% 239	42.31% 231	11.90% 65	2.01% 11	546	1.72
Land for habitat protection	71.85% 393	23.77% 130	3.84% 21	0.55% 3	547	1.33
Land for water supply protection	89.27% 491	8.91% 49	1.27% 7	0.55% 3	550	1.13
Areas around ponds and lakes	75.45% 415	20.18% 111	4.00% 22	0.36% 2	550	1.29
Land for active recreation including parks and athletic fields	36.08% 197	47.44% 259	15.38% 84	1.10% 6	546	1.82
Land for passive recreation including walking trails	51.55% 283	40.44% 222	7.47% 41	0.55% 3	549	1.57

Q11 What Town actions do you favor to protect open space? (Please check all that apply)

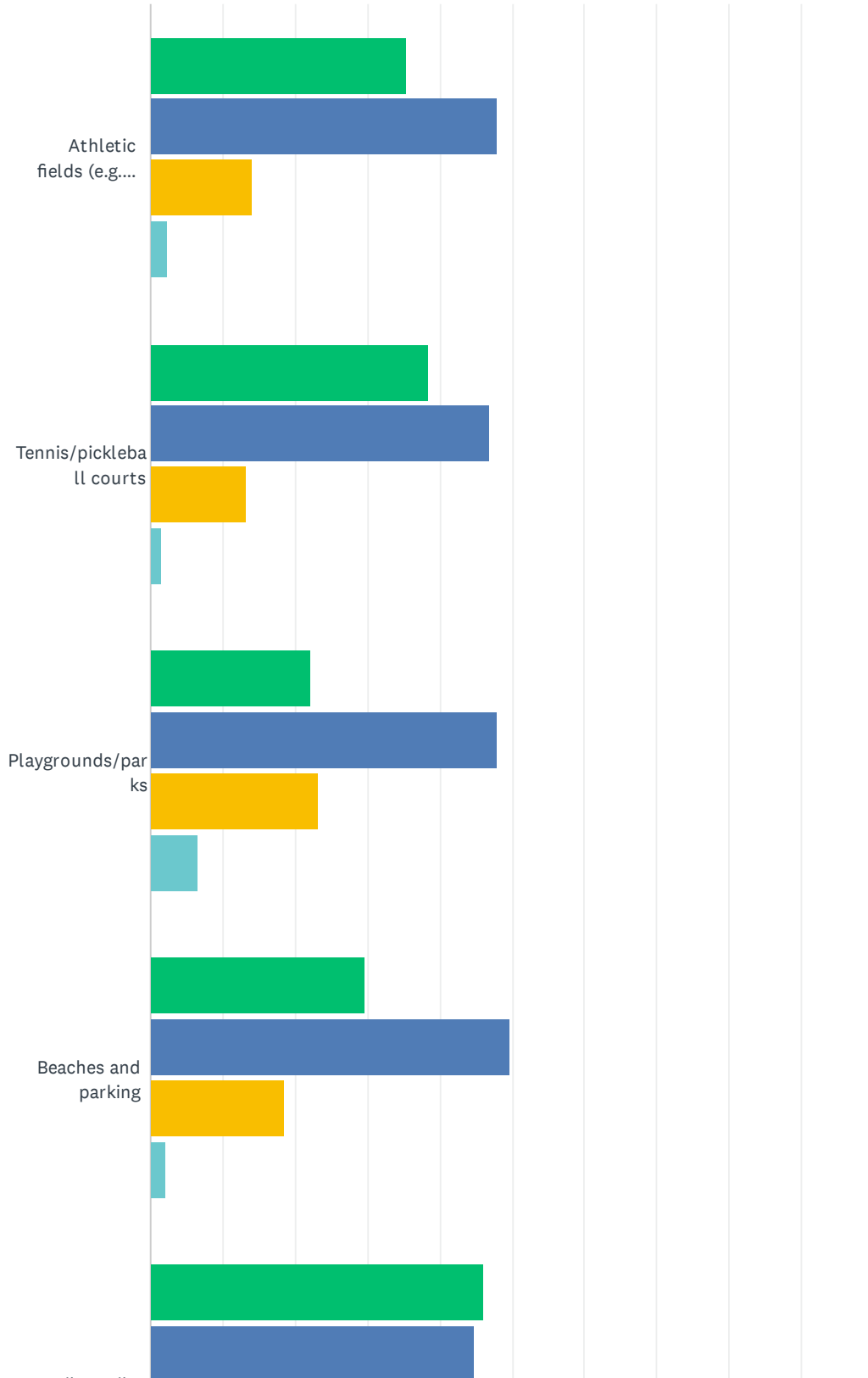
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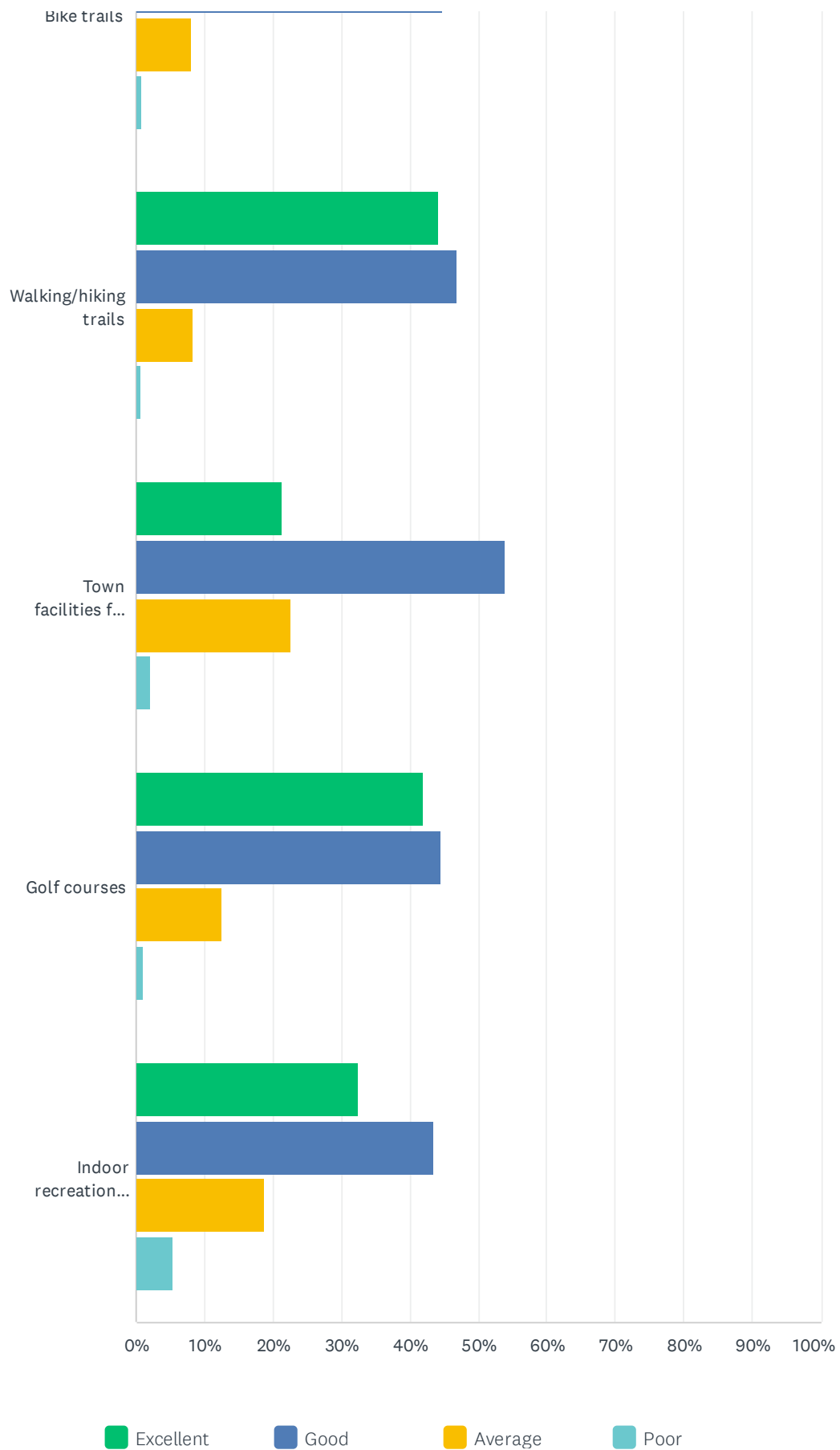
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Cooperative land conservation efforts between public and private entities	81.99%	446
Town purchase of land using Community Preservation funds	75.18%	409
Town purchase of land using general funds	33.64%	183
Mandatory dedication of open space by developers	66.54%	362
Acquisition of Conservation Restrictions/Easements	45.04%	245
Zoning that encourages Open Space Conservation	67.10%	365
Total Respondents: 544		

Q12 How do you rate the quality of the following existing recreational facilities?

Answered: 547 Skipped: 97



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	EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	POOR	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Athletic fields (e.g. soccer, football, baseball)	35.47% 183	48.06% 248	14.15% 73	2.33% 12	516	1.83
Tennis/pickleball courts	38.40% 192	47.00% 235	13.20% 66	1.40% 7	500	1.78
Playgrounds/parks	22.26% 116	47.98% 250	23.22% 121	6.53% 34	521	2.14
Beaches and parking	29.74% 160	49.63% 267	18.59% 100	2.04% 11	538	1.93
Bike trails	46.11% 243	44.78% 236	8.16% 43	0.95% 5	527	1.64
Walking/hiking trails	44.16% 238	46.94% 253	8.35% 45	0.56% 3	539	1.65
Town facilities for boating and fishing	21.23% 107	53.97% 272	22.62% 114	2.18% 11	504	2.06
Golf courses	41.92% 205	44.58% 218	12.47% 61	1.02% 5	489	1.73
Indoor recreation facilities including the Community Center	32.45% 171	43.45% 229	18.79% 99	5.31% 28	527	1.97

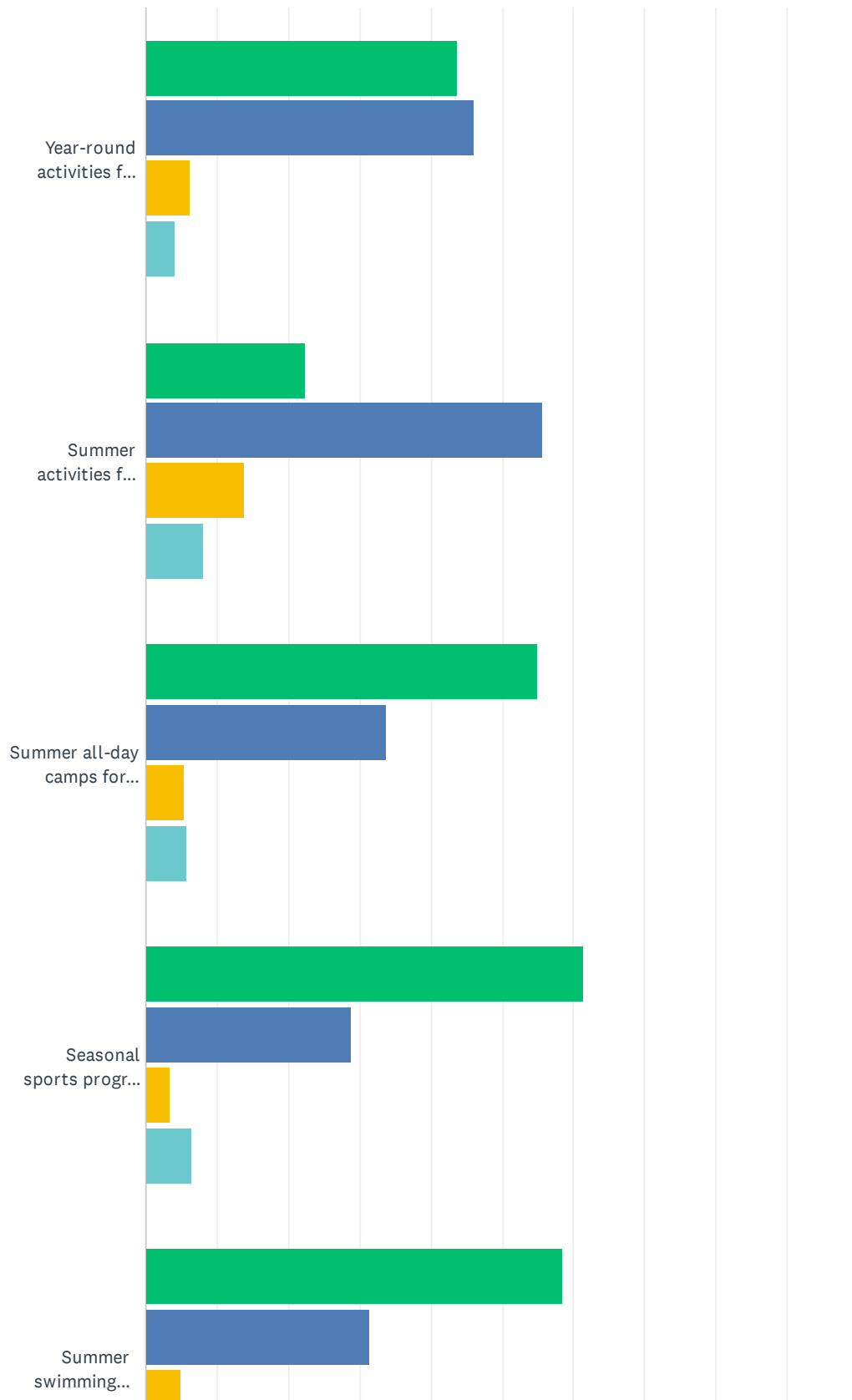
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY FACILITY AND QUALITY)	DATE
1	This question should have a not applicable/unsure option for facilities not used by a respondent	12/29/2023 8:17 PM
2	we need a pool in the community center	12/21/2023 10:32 AM
3	lack of knowledgeable management for utilization and maintenance of Cultural Center for recreational uses	12/19/2023 12:17 PM
4	Focus more on building sidewalks. Also upgrade the current sidewalks in the villages.	12/18/2023 9:55 AM
5	Missing a indoor turf field and pool	12/14/2023 9:57 PM
6	Brooks Free Library - excellent	12/14/2023 7:09 PM
7	Need indoor swimming pool that is open for community use - can't always drive to YMCA or Woodlands	12/14/2023 12:21 PM
8	Get the golf course back on track,	12/14/2023 9:14 AM
9	Lack of space for youth programs. Lack of indoor gyms bc of monomoy district controlling the schools, lack of outdoor space.	12/13/2023 8:57 PM
10	Brooks park has had a broken apparatus for months while the pickle ballers play on pristine courts. Also, the HES playground was sadly, very underwhelming. One slide for all these kids? It's terrible. The kids went from an amazing playground to a couple of cool structures. Disappointed.	12/13/2023 4:48 PM
11	Brooks park has had a broken apparatus for months while the pickle ball courts are pristine for seniors. Also- the new elementary playground is ridiculous in many ways. These kids deserved much more. One slide for hundreds of kids? I think the town priorities are not in favor of our children. Tons of stuff and programs for seniors bc they have the money.	12/13/2023 2:00 PM
12	Actually being able to use the gym and other community center spaces would be nice!	12/13/2023 11:22 AM
13	204 Sisson Road - Pickleball courts average	12/10/2023 4:46 PM
14	Need a public use Indoor swimming pool. Co-use with physical therapy, senior & infant programs.	12/8/2023 9:22 AM

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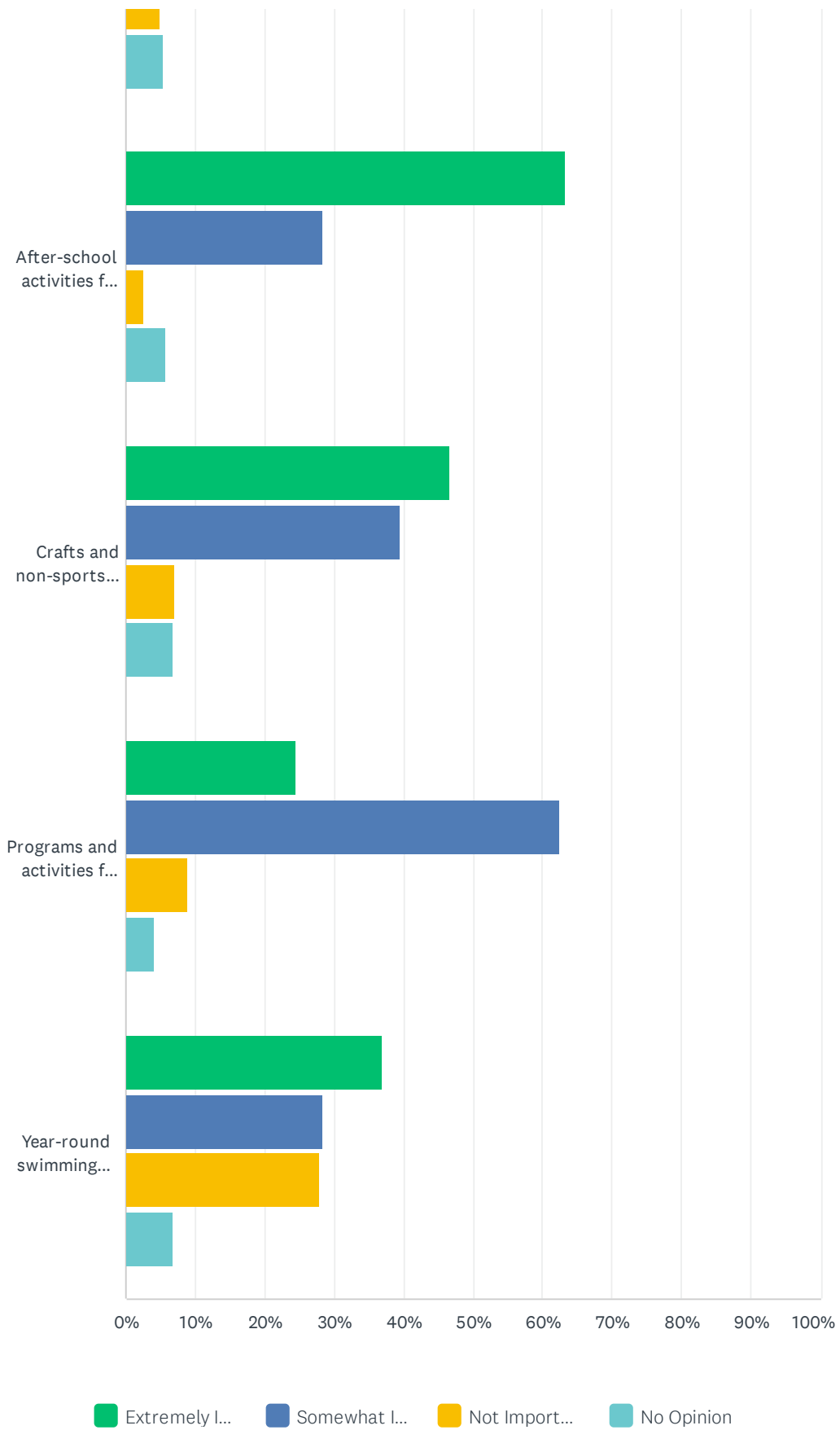
15	Lack of sidewalks for walking.	12/7/2023 11:23 AM
16	1 bike trail is not enough. All # (28,39, 124, Queen Ann, etc) roads must have a bike lane. How about a POOL at the community center????	12/7/2023 10:44 AM
17	More lower and middle school age after school and possibly even g programs , more staff, more use of 204 Sisson.	12/7/2023 9:09 AM
18	Restrictions on pickleball access is a problem.	12/7/2023 7:25 AM
19	these areas must be used to have knowledge to comment. I use trails.	12/7/2023 5:52 AM
20	I don't know the conditions of the unmarked facilities	12/6/2023 3:42 PM
21	Bike trails are also transportation infrastructure!	12/6/2023 2:25 PM
22	Limited access for working residents. Limited programming for wide range of residents.	12/6/2023 1:08 PM
23	not enough areas for children to have sports or poorly managed	12/6/2023 12:03 PM
24	Passive Recreation areas seem yo be dwindling	12/5/2023 10:11 PM
25	Swimming pool needed	12/5/2023 11:32 AM
26	community center will need more space as our population ages	12/5/2023 7:12 AM
27	We need an indoor pool at Community Center	12/3/2023 6:44 AM
28	Facility is fine but the recreation department underserves youth, especially tweens and teens.	11/28/2023 8:41 AM
29	Rowing, Swimming pool	11/27/2023 8:31 PM
30	Kayak storage at some ponds needed for residents	11/27/2023 2:18 PM
31	No skate park	11/27/2023 1:55 PM
32	the lifeguards and gate guards are poorly trained and ineffective.	11/27/2023 12:24 PM

Q13 What are the Town's most important recreational program needs?

Answered: 551 Skipped: 93



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	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Year-round activities for seniors	43.73% 237	46.13% 250	6.09% 33	4.06% 22	542	1.70
Summer activities for seniors	22.46% 117	55.66% 290	13.82% 72	8.06% 42	521	2.07
Summer all-day camps for children	55.04% 295	33.77% 181	5.41% 29	5.78% 31	536	1.62
Seasonal sports programs for children	61.42% 328	28.84% 154	3.37% 18	6.37% 34	534	1.55
Summer swimming lessons	58.52% 316	31.30% 169	4.81% 26	5.37% 29	540	1.57
After-school activities for children	63.33% 342	28.33% 153	2.59% 14	5.74% 31	540	1.51
Crafts and non-sports activities for children	46.65% 251	39.41% 212	7.06% 38	6.88% 37	538	1.74
Programs and activities for adults	24.58% 132	62.38% 335	8.94% 48	4.10% 22	537	1.93
Year-round swimming facility	36.85% 199	28.33% 153	27.96% 151	6.85% 37	540	2.05

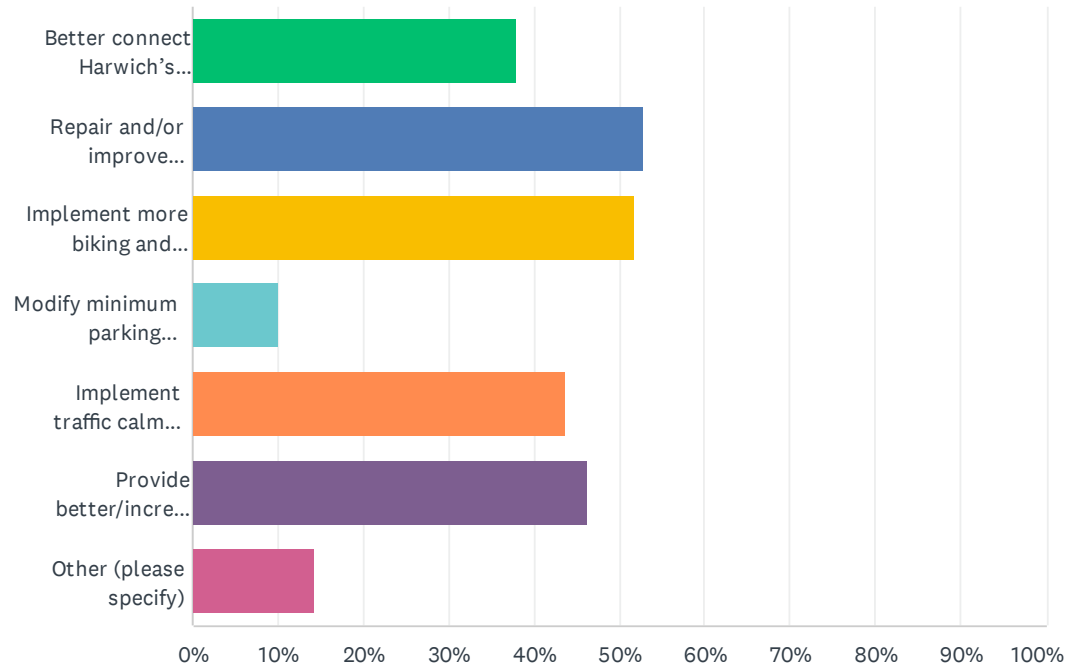
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY RECREATION PROGRAM NEED AND IMPORTANCE LEVEL)	DATE
1	Assuming these are year round residence.	12/21/2023 10:38 AM
2	Preteen and teen activities	12/19/2023 12:17 PM
3	A indoor turf field would be a huge success for the community, but add a great resource of revenue for the town	12/14/2023 9:57 PM
4	After school childcare wasn't listed as choice. It's not the same as after school activities and it's extremely important. The choices provided neglected an important demographic - the always forgotten young adults and working age adults. They're always ignored, and are again in the formation of the questions for this survey.	12/14/2023 7:09 PM
5	Public access to private recreational venues eg harbors, sports facilities, arts programs	12/14/2023 12:21 PM
6	Year round sports/activities for children EXTREMELY important	12/14/2023 9:38 AM
7	A golf course we can get a tee time for residents,	12/14/2023 9:14 AM
8	There should be more than one playground in the town. Perhaps something in east harwich where many families live. There should also be better organized and advertised programming and staffing for youth programs. The activities that are available for seniors should be focused on those in need of adult day care, not the needs of active seniors playing pickle ball. They can afford to start their own club. There is a dire need for seniors who need assistance in the community for that sort of programming. The youth programs should take precedence.	12/13/2023 9:27 PM
9	Need more youth programs. Recent momentum is good, seems driven by parents and volunteers rather than rec dept. Need more youth access to gyms, fields, etc	12/13/2023 8:57 PM
10	We have stepped things up, however, the recreation program needs some work still. Other towns have great programs, (ice skating) swimming/ sailing. And we do not. Town employees are paid extremely well. It seems the priorities in this town have been for the rich seniors more than the struggling working class families that keep this town operating.	12/13/2023 4:48 PM
11	If we don't make changes to involve the youth and keep kids and teens engaged, there will be no authentic future here. It'll be consumed by rich, rude, careless people who have no rooted ties to this community. There are so many things wrong, it's sad. I hope my kids have a chance to enjoy this town as I did as a kid.	12/13/2023 2:00 PM

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12	Seniors are important but I think we are currently doing a lot for them! Kids have very little!	12/13/2023 11:22 AM
13	we need to finish getting the pool built at the community center! My son used school choice to go to Nauset so that he could swim	12/10/2023 8:45 PM
14	No pool. We've got sewer expenses to contend with.	12/8/2023 3:30 PM
15	FREE after school activities/sports for low income kids	12/7/2023 11:06 AM
16	Put the POOL in the lower level of the Community Center	12/7/2023 10:44 AM
17	no opinion	12/7/2023 10:11 AM
18	Indoor swimming pool	12/7/2023 9:24 AM
19	I would love to say extremely important for a pool, but it's a want not a need	12/7/2023 7:16 AM
20	again. opinions are based on usage of individual and knowledge.	12/7/2023 5:52 AM
21	Swimming pool would generate many good things... swim programs, competitive sports and be a draw for MRSD. Help in negotiating new schhol assessment charges	12/6/2023 7:32 PM
22	Hear round swimming is a health and wellness need for seniors	12/6/2023 2:00 PM
23	Centralized Swimming facilities year round	12/6/2023 1:26 PM
24	The need for a year round swimming facility is tremendous.	12/6/2023 1:08 PM
25	Swimming facility would be stellar!	12/6/2023 12:03 PM
26	Let parents who are offering, volunteer to do programming.	11/28/2023 8:41 AM
27	Rowing, swimming pool	11/27/2023 8:31 PM
28	for a coastal town, you'd think the swimming program would be better	11/27/2023 12:24 PM
29	kayak racks in various parts of town	11/27/2023 9:31 AM
30	Options for teen activities and drop in center.	11/27/2023 8:22 AM
31	please partner with exisiting programs like the Pilgrim Church after school program. Such a gem!	11/26/2023 8:16 PM

Q14 What are the most important transportation-oriented actions that the Town should pursue? (Choose your top three):

Answered: 531 Skipped: 113



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Better connect Harwich's various communities/villages	37.85%	201
Repair and/or improve existing streets	52.92%	281
Implement more biking and walking paths/trails for transportation and/or recreation	51.79%	275
Modify minimum parking requirements	9.98%	53
Implement traffic calming measures to slow driving speeds (e.g. speed humps, crosswalk bump outs)	43.69%	232
Provide better/increased public bus services and infrastructure (e.g. improve and make bus stops more accessible)	46.33%	246
Other (please specify)	14.31%	76
Total Respondents: 531		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Install traffic lights and stop signs at busy intersections such as Queen Anne Rd and Oak Street extension.	12/29/2023 8:20 PM
2	Seasonal trolleys on commercial streets	12/29/2023 3:35 PM
3	Transportation to Boston hospitals and medical appointments	12/28/2023 1:52 PM
4	Electric charging stations	12/28/2023 11:52 AM
5	Charging stations for EV's	12/26/2023 2:19 PM

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6	enforce "no parking" areas	12/25/2023 6:38 AM
7	Create more public parking in Harwich Port	12/21/2023 11:39 AM
8	we need more sidewalks along the busiest streets (Queen Anne Rd. for example)	12/21/2023 10:34 AM
9	we need more sidewalks	12/19/2023 10:26 AM
10	Build a sidewalk that allows tourists and residents to walk in safely.	12/18/2023 10:00 AM
11	FIX & WIDEN THE SIDEWALKS IN HARWICH PORT! LENGTHEN SIDEWALK DOWN 28 TO CONNECT ALL THREE HARBORS!	12/16/2023 3:35 PM
12	Sidewalks	12/16/2023 10:50 AM
13	Allow residents to make easy curb cuts to widen and/or add additional driveways on 'main roads' to allow a safer, easier exit and/or return home!	12/15/2023 9:09 PM
14	identify areas most in need of traffic calming/improved safety, gather data including traffic studies and develop formal plan to address, much like the Capital Plan for buildings	12/14/2023 7:16 PM
15	Sidewalks	12/14/2023 6:26 PM
16	Please no flashing speed road sign. Eye sore and ineffective	12/14/2023 3:42 PM
17	Trolley service in summer to beaches from town parking lots	12/14/2023 12:24 PM
18	Dangerous intersection at Depot St/Great Western	12/14/2023 8:29 AM
19	More sidewalks along busy streets	12/14/2023 1:05 AM
20	We need sidewalks	12/13/2023 10:02 PM
21	There needs to be more sidewalks- and crosswalks. The sidewalk in harwichport ends at Dairy Queen. If it continues up kildee hill it could connect to shaws where many people walk to and from. Also, specifically there should be a crosswalk at the end of Doane rd and route 28. There is a large community of walkers in this area- with the beach plum condos being right there. People walk to the beach and back daily all year long and the crossing of that intersection is dangerous for old and young alike.	12/13/2023 9:33 PM
22	Adopt private roads to the town, especially if the town has installed sewer in the street	12/13/2023 8:59 PM
23	More Sidewalks	12/13/2023 7:47 PM
24	Harwich center: rt 124 and Main Street intersection is terrible! Not sure what a good solution is. Traffic lights would make it worse.. no space for a rotary....	12/13/2023 4:59 PM
25	Side walks along route 28 in south Harwich , so dangerous to walk to red River beach with kids in tow, cars speed on 28	12/13/2023 4:07 PM
26	SIDEWALKS	12/13/2023 1:05 PM
27	Sidewalks along busier roads. For example Oak St, Old Chatham, and Queen Anne	12/13/2023 9:48 AM
28	I would be great to be able to get to harwichport from other parts of the town during the summer especially.	12/11/2023 6:30 AM
29	better sidewalks along Route 28 past Dairy Queen towards West Harwich	12/10/2023 8:47 PM
30	We need more parking in Harwichport.	12/9/2023 11:45 PM
31	More sidewalks	12/8/2023 4:21 PM
32	More speed indicators-Rte 39 is a racetrack.	12/8/2023 3:33 PM
33	Implement vehicle noise reduction guidelines (l e. modified mufflers)	12/8/2023 9:29 AM
34	Heading on Cape to Chatham it's quicker to take old exit 10 than 11 and follow Queen Anne Road.	12/7/2023 11:54 PM
35	Sidewalks including harwich center to east Harwich shopping center	12/7/2023 10:34 PM
36	Slow down traffic. Stop illegal loud motorcycles.	12/7/2023 4:06 PM

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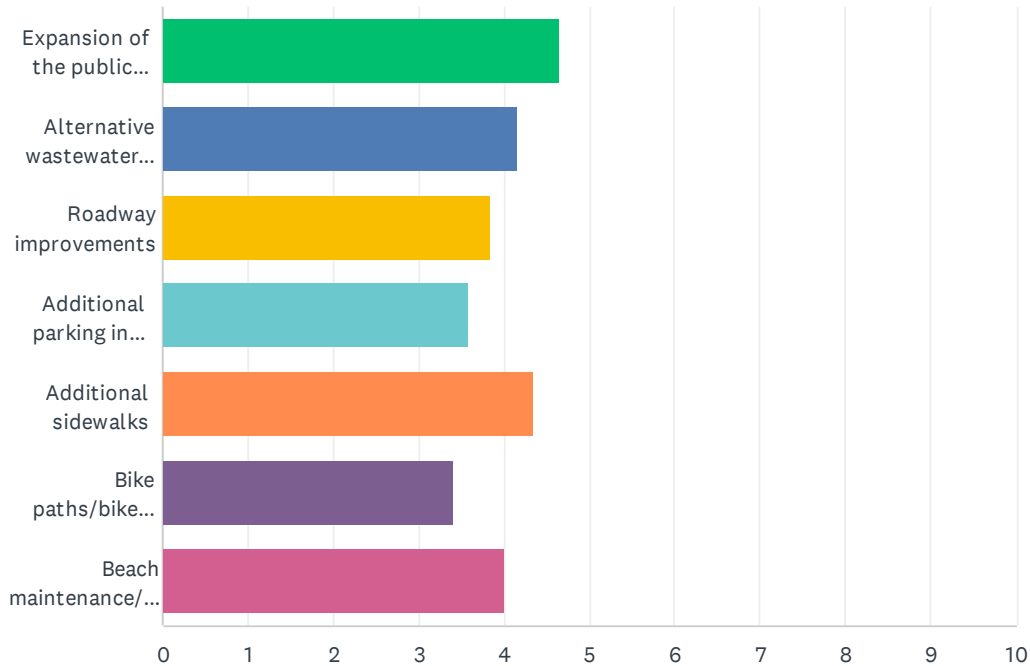
37	Slowing traffic is needed where the rail trail bike path crosses a road.	12/7/2023 3:08 PM
38	more access to parking in harwichport	12/7/2023 12:58 PM
39	No opinion	12/7/2023 12:36 PM
40	Sidewalks need to be a priority	12/7/2023 11:38 AM
41	Put speed humps at entrance to ALL beaches esp Red River Beach	12/7/2023 11:25 AM
42	Public bus service should be more frequent to serve WORKERS in the morning going to work and late afternoon to evening finishing work or going to night shifts	12/7/2023 11:12 AM
43	Add roundabouts like Chatham & Orleans at 124 & Queen Anne, Depot Rd & 128	12/7/2023 10:53 AM
44	Allow sufficient running room adjacent to select roads.	12/7/2023 10:41 AM
45	no opinion	12/7/2023 10:16 AM
46	provide and repair sidewalks on busy streets (e.g. Bank Street)	12/7/2023 10:07 AM
47	Bike paths along major streets/ double yellow line roads to be able to safely travel by bike to stores, restaurants, and family/friends home.	12/7/2023 9:15 AM
48	Education for pedestrians..they don't know how to walk facing the traffic where no sidewalks exist! They think all streets are sidewalks!	12/7/2023 9:14 AM
49	Pedestrian crossing without lights is very dangerous	12/7/2023 8:56 AM
50	interconnected sidewalks/ multimodal paths on public ways	12/7/2023 8:44 AM
51	Charging stations for EV's	12/7/2023 8:24 AM
52	Implement shared parking in underutilized lots.	12/7/2023 7:31 AM
53	Fix Harwich Center (Rt. 124 south/Rt 39-Sisson-Great Western)	12/7/2023 7:19 AM
54	sidewalks for bikes, ebikes, walking especially for school children so less bussing and seniors	12/7/2023 5:55 AM
55	The bus seems to be doing fine. We need sidewalks to a park with a bench in a quiet place or a place with children laughing since older people do not laugh enough and the children laugh.	12/6/2023 7:59 PM
56	More sidewalks	12/6/2023 4:08 PM
57	Fix bumps on the CCRT and Old Colony Trail	12/6/2023 3:56 PM
58	improve/increase sidewalks	12/6/2023 2:57 PM
59	Train to Boston, there is no future without it given bridges.	12/6/2023 2:04 PM
60	MORE SIDEWALKS!	12/6/2023 1:00 PM
61	Making ambitious efforts to make our town more biking and walking friendly is key to reducing use of cars.	12/5/2023 7:16 AM
62	Better advertise/communicate the many transportation modes already in existence	12/4/2023 1:52 PM
63	More electric charging stations	12/3/2023 6:49 AM
64	Fast charging EV chargers in public locations, eg Brooks Library, Town Hall, Chamber of Commerce	12/2/2023 2:39 PM
65	Enforcing cycling stops at highway crossing	11/30/2023 11:43 PM
66	Parking more of it	11/28/2023 8:13 PM
67	Add side walks in highly congested areas. example: Uncle Venies Rd	11/28/2023 9:34 AM
68	Bring commuter rail to town	11/28/2023 1:58 AM
69	Improve sidewalks on Lower County connecting West Harwich to Harwichport	11/27/2023 9:57 PM
70	SIDEWALKS! On Route 28 near Brax, on Route 124 from Harwich to Queen Anne and bike path	11/27/2023 2:21 PM

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71	Add parking to HPort	11/27/2023 12:20 PM
72	Shuttle service between the beaches and a common parking area.	11/27/2023 11:30 AM
73	Please bring commuter rail to Harwich.	11/27/2023 10:51 AM
74	No opinion	11/27/2023 9:36 AM
75	More sidewalks	11/27/2023 6:55 AM
76	Better sidewalks and more sidewalks	11/26/2023 9:20 PM

Q15 What infrastructure improvements are a priority in the Town? (1=highest priority, 7=lowest priority)

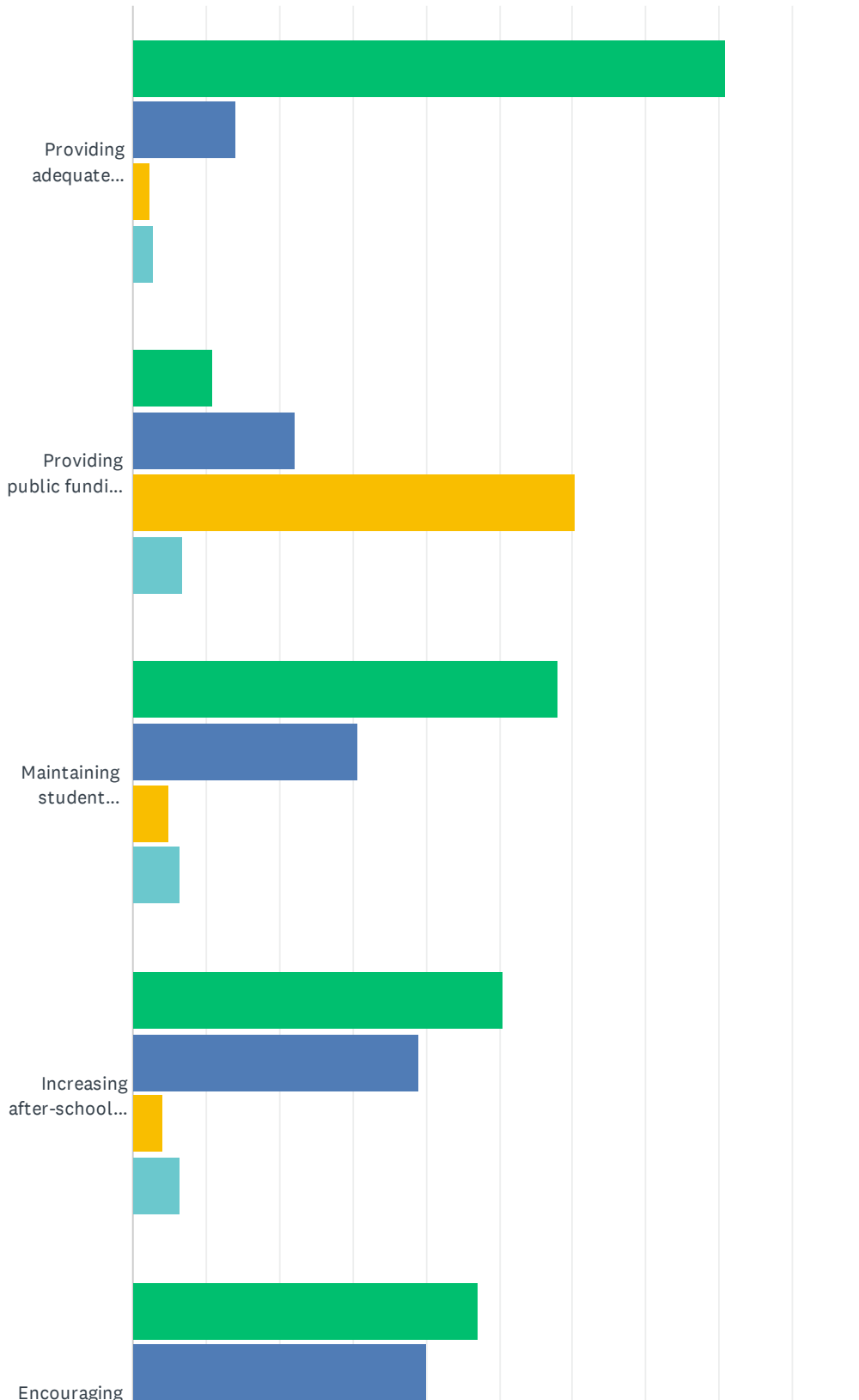
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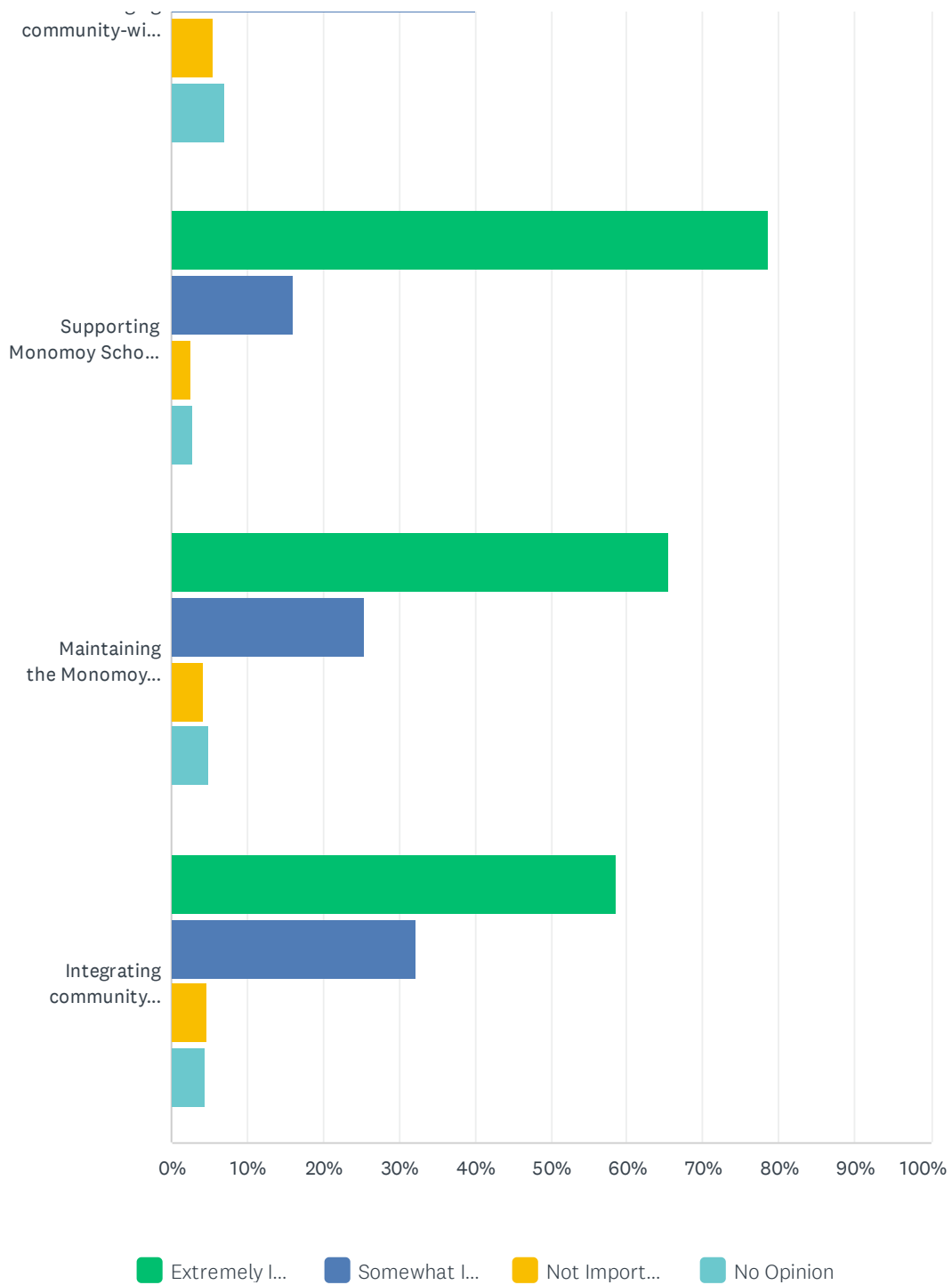
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	SCORE
Expansion of the public sewer system	32.90% 176	16.07% 86	7.85% 42	8.60% 46	8.60% 46	12.34% 66	13.64% 73	535	4.64
Alternative wastewater treatment options	13.64% 73	19.81% 106	15.51% 83	12.52% 67	10.28% 55	14.58% 78	13.64% 73	535	4.16
Roadway improvements	10.28% 55	11.21% 60	14.21% 76	20.75% 111	15.14% 81	17.20% 92	11.21% 60	535	3.84
Additional parking in villages and/or near beaches	12.34% 66	9.91% 53	11.96% 64	12.90% 69	15.89% 85	17.01% 91	20.00% 107	535	3.59
Additional sidewalks	16.82% 90	17.76% 95	16.07% 86	13.27% 71	15.14% 81	9.91% 53	11.03% 59	535	4.34
Bike paths/bike lanes	3.74% 20	11.40% 61	15.89% 85	15.33% 82	18.13% 97	16.07% 86	19.44% 104	535	3.41
Beach maintenance/harbor dredging	10.28% 55	13.83% 74	18.50% 99	16.64% 89	16.82% 90	12.90% 69	11.03% 59	535	4.01

Q16 How important are the following actions relating to school facilities and education?

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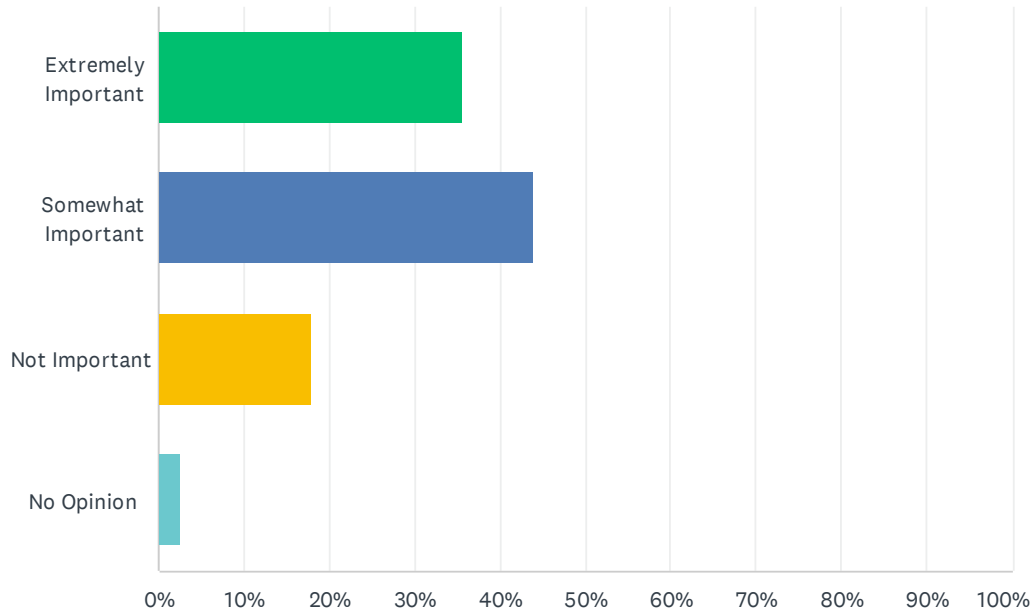


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	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	NOT IMPORTANT	NO OPINION	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Providing adequate funding levels for public education	80.90% 432	14.04% 75	2.25% 12	2.81% 15	534	1.27
Providing public funding for home-schooling	10.86% 58	22.10% 118	60.30% 322	6.74% 36	534	2.63
Maintaining student enrollment in the Monomoy School District	57.97% 309	30.77% 164	4.88% 26	6.38% 34	533	1.60
Increasing after-school student activities	50.47% 269	39.02% 208	4.13% 22	6.38% 34	533	1.66
Encouraging community-wide access to school programs and facilities	47.18% 251	40.04% 213	5.64% 30	7.14% 38	532	1.73
Supporting Monomoy School District's efforts to recruit teachers and educators to work and live on Cape Cod	78.65% 420	15.92% 85	2.62% 14	2.81% 15	534	1.30
Maintaining the Monomoy School District's reputation in the community	65.41% 348	25.38% 135	4.32% 23	4.89% 26	532	1.49
Integrating community resources to strengthen school programs, support families, and enhance student learning and development	58.65% 312	32.14% 171	4.70% 25	4.51% 24	532	1.55

Q17 How important is it to you that the Town supports more public and performing art opportunities?

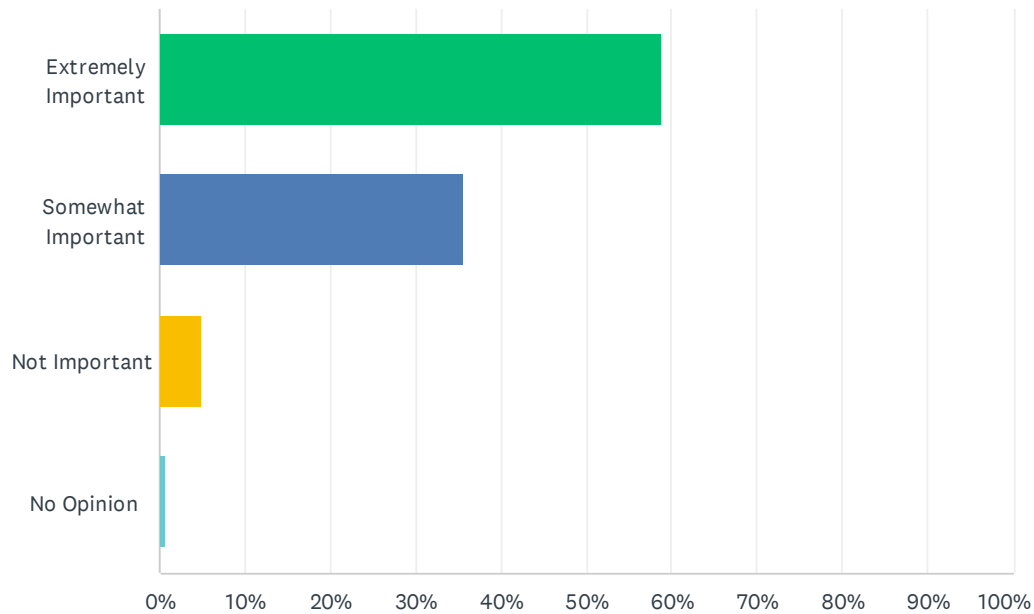
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely Important	35.66%	194
Somewhat Important	43.93%	239
Not Important	17.83%	97
No Opinion	2.57%	14
TOTAL		544

Q18 How important is it to preserve the historic character of the Town?

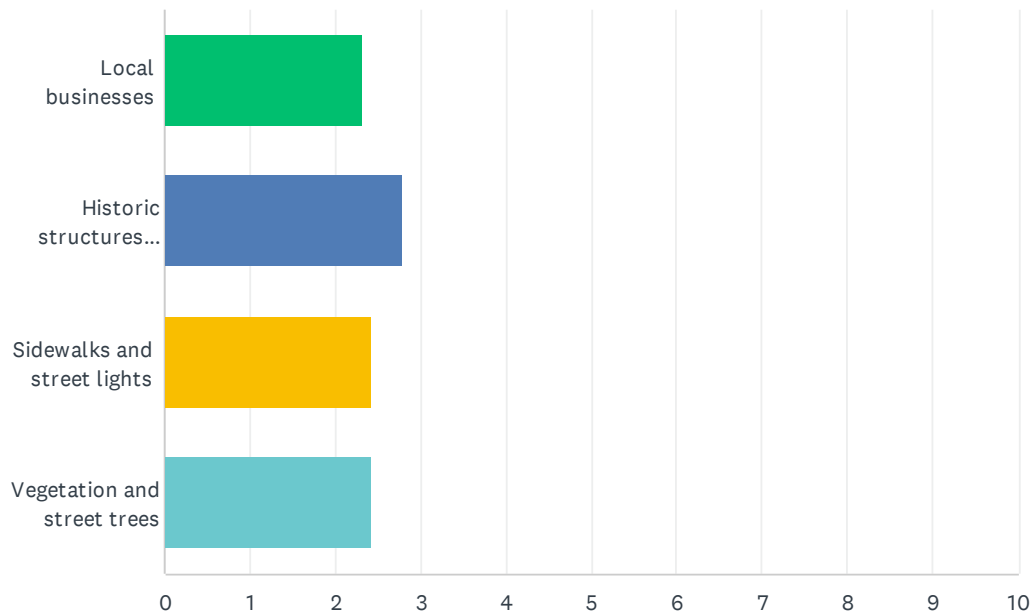
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Extremely Important	58.83%	313
Somewhat Important	35.71%	190
Not Important	4.89%	26
No Opinion	0.56%	3
TOTAL		532

Q19 What are the most important characteristics that should be preserved and/or enhanced in Harwich's seven villages? (1=most important, 4=least important)

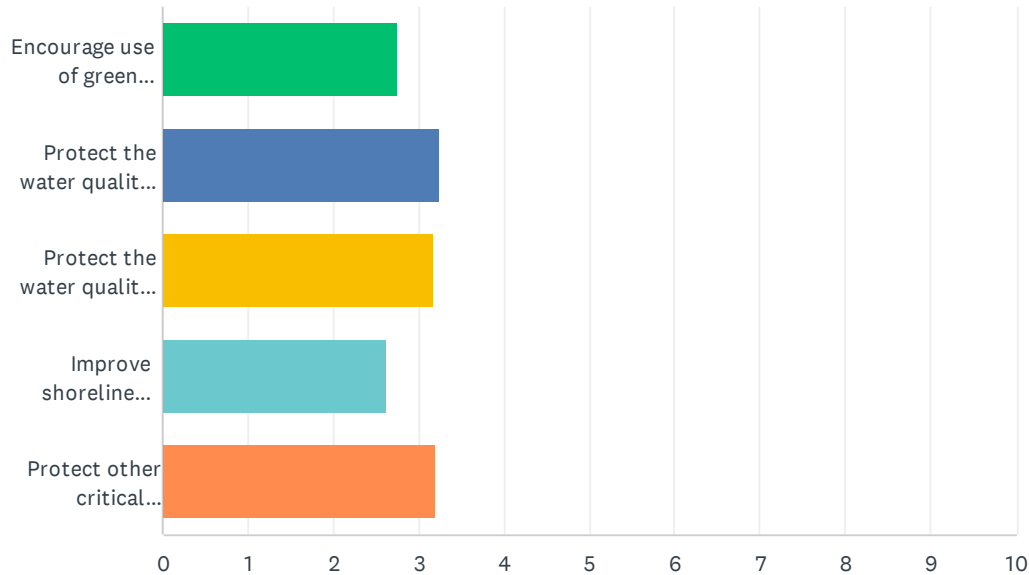
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	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	SCORE
Local businesses	19.24% 96	26.45% 132	22.65% 113	31.66% 158	499	2.33
Historic structures (buildings 50 years and older)	39.68% 198	19.84% 99	20.64% 103	19.84% 99	499	2.79
Sidewalks and street lights	19.64% 98	27.86% 139	28.26% 141	24.25% 121	499	2.43
Vegetation and street trees	21.44% 107	25.85% 129	28.46% 142	24.25% 121	499	2.44

Q20 Rank the importance of the Town taking the following steps to maintain the natural environment. (1=most important, 5=least important)

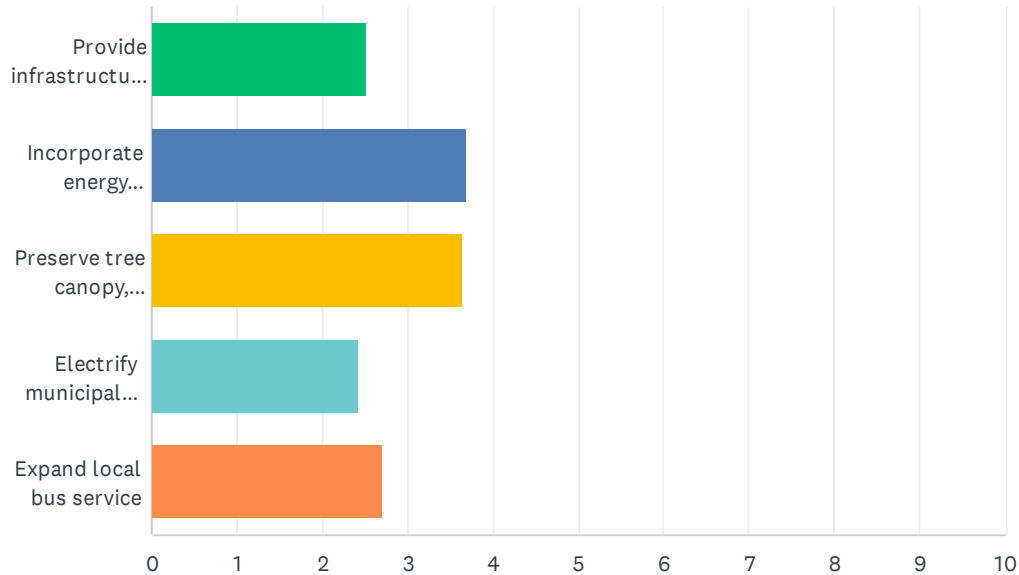
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Encourage use of green infrastructure practices, including but not limited to the use of tree banks and rain gardens, to treat and manage stormwater runoff	21.49% 104	14.26% 69	12.81% 62	21.07% 102	30.37% 147	484	2.75
Protect the water quality and habitat in the Pleasant Bay Watershed	23.14% 112	22.93% 111	19.63% 95	23.14% 112	11.16% 54	484	3.24
Protect the water quality and habitat in the Herring River Estuary	16.12% 78	24.79% 120	28.93% 140	20.66% 100	9.50% 46	484	3.17
Improve shoreline stability along Nantucket Sound	20.04% 97	14.05% 68	11.78% 57	17.36% 84	36.78% 178	484	2.63
Protect other critical water-based habitats (e.g. coastal plain ponds, salt marshes, barrier beaches)	19.21% 93	23.97% 116	26.86% 130	17.77% 86	12.19% 59	484	3.20

Q21 Rank the importance of the Town taking the following steps to mitigate the impacts of climate change. (1=most important, 5=least important)

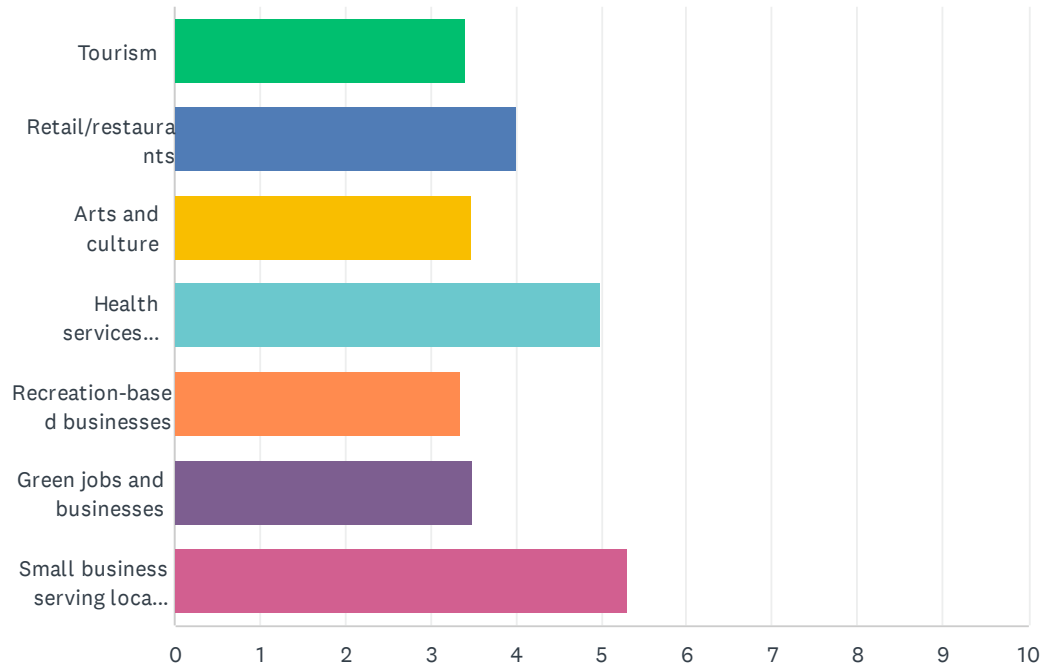
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	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
Provide infrastructure/charging stations for electric vehicles	9.46% 47	15.29% 76	18.51% 92	31.59% 157	25.15% 125	497	2.52
Incorporate energy efficiency in new construction (e.g. solar panels)	32.60% 162	29.78% 148	19.92% 99	9.26% 46	8.45% 42	497	3.69
Preserve tree canopy, including but not limited to, possible tree cutting limits	37.83% 188	21.93% 109	17.30% 86	12.27% 61	10.66% 53	497	3.64
Electrify municipal vehicles (e.g. DPW, school buses, etc.)	5.63% 28	14.89% 74	23.54% 117	29.78% 148	26.16% 130	497	2.44
Expand local bus service	14.49% 72	18.11% 90	20.72% 103	17.10% 85	29.58% 147	497	2.71

Q22 What do you think the economic development priorities of the Town should be? (1=highest priority, 7=lowest priority)

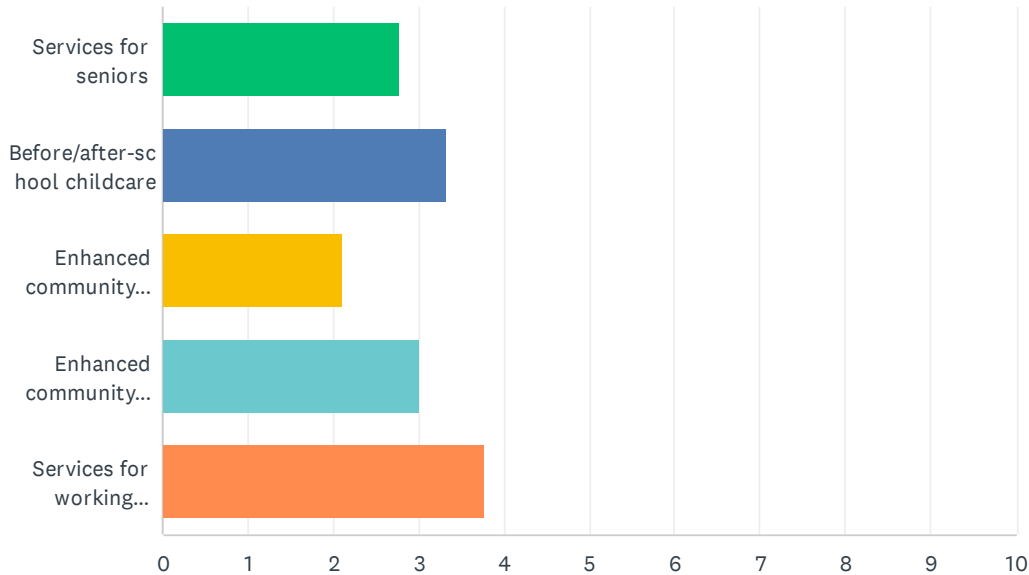
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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	SCORE
Tourism	10.83% 56	10.83% 56	11.41% 59	10.64% 55	12.38% 64	19.54% 101	24.37% 126	517	3.41
Retail/restaurants	6.38% 33	17.99% 93	18.57% 96	17.02% 88	16.44% 85	13.35% 69	10.25% 53	517	4.00
Arts and culture	4.26% 22	11.61% 60	11.99% 62	19.15% 99	20.12% 104	18.18% 94	14.70% 76	517	3.47
Health services (including mental health)	31.91% 165	16.25% 84	15.09% 78	11.99% 62	10.83% 56	7.93% 41	6.00% 31	517	4.99
Recreation-based businesses	4.45% 23	7.16% 37	13.93% 72	18.38% 95	20.89% 108	19.54% 101	15.67% 81	517	3.35
Green jobs and businesses	12.96% 67	9.28% 48	11.80% 61	12.38% 64	12.19% 63	16.05% 83	25.34% 131	517	3.49
Small business serving local needs	29.21% 151	26.89% 139	17.21% 89	10.44% 54	7.16% 37	5.42% 28	3.68% 19	517	5.30

Q23 What do you believe are the top community service priorities for the Town? (1=highest priority, 5=lowest priority)

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	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
Services for seniors	15.91% 77	19.21% 93	12.81% 62	31.20% 151	20.87% 101	484	2.78
Before/after-school childcare	21.07% 102	27.89% 135	24.79% 120	14.67% 71	11.57% 56	484	3.32
Enhanced community programming for seniors	7.02% 34	11.57% 56	11.16% 54	25.62% 124	44.63% 216	484	2.11
Enhanced community programming for children	14.05% 68	21.90% 106	29.55% 143	20.25% 98	14.26% 69	484	3.01
Services for working families	41.94% 203	19.42% 94	21.69% 105	8.26% 40	8.68% 42	484	3.78

Q24 Describe your ideal Harwich in the next 10 - 20 years.

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Don't turn into Chatham. Be the full turn key town in the cape balancing growth with open spaces to keep congestion and population down. Keep the charm!	12/31/2023 2:02 PM
2	Increased residential density by any means necessary. A walkable mixed use community where a car is not an absolute necessary for every resident to do literally anything outside of their house.	12/30/2023 2:39 PM
3	cleaner, greener	12/29/2023 3:40 PM
4	I would love to see a thriving small business driven downtown areas of Harwich Port, Main Street & East Harwich. This includes paces for retail, restaurants, shops, live music and cultural arts driven events throughout the year. Starting to tackle affordable/workforce housing issues by combing multiuse development in locations of opportunity. People able to access the amazing trails, bike paths, conservation areas by having more programs built around this beauty which is essential to the character of Harwich. A center for innovation, entrepreneurship and collaboration of ideas, business ventures & deep community essence. A sense of safety- think of a place that the children can ride down the street to school, business or friends house without a second thought. A place of artistic creativity and community where people can make a living off their passion through using tools/technology to reach audiences that may not physically sit on cape cod but be interested in their wares, arts and services. Beautiful well-kept beaches, bike paths and parks to be used by all and encouraged through programs built around enjoying them. A place where people feel free to enjoy the beauty around them and the broader community that enjoys that as well. ****Also make the downtowns more beautiful and timeless with a focus of upgrading the lighting, roads and sidewalks(not the 1980's style light poles and ugly broken cement paved areas we walk on now). The more ecstasically pleasing the more we will draw in the tourists to spend money in our town.	12/28/2023 2:59 PM
5	Harwich will be a vibrant community where housing size is restricted, as well as lot size, and there are numerous sidewalks to walk about the various villages. Affordable housing is available to young families as well as seniors desiring to live out their lives in their own homes. We have a wonderful infrastructure of services to meet the needs of all residents.(i.e. police, fire, healthcare, activities for youth and seniors.etc.) Our education system is one of the best in the Commonwealth. The roadways are maintained as are our historic buildings that are being maintained and in use.	12/28/2023 2:34 PM
6	Children growing up here now being able to buy their own home, in a traditional neighborhood, and run a small local business or work from home for larger companies. Watching their own kids play rec sports, get a good education, and learn about their natural environment and history.	12/28/2023 12:07 PM
7	i won't be here, but would love to have a varied and stratified population living here - right now, it's too one-sided and lopsided for me in nearly every way.	12/28/2023 11:14 AM
8	More trees Less traffic	12/26/2023 11:24 PM
9	A remaining small community feel	12/26/2023 8:22 PM
10	A closer more active community representing the seven villages. Consistent yearly activities for community.	12/26/2023 6:57 PM
11	Pedestrian friendly streets. More cultural attractions in the off season.	12/26/2023 5:47 PM
12	It will not be under water	12/26/2023 4:43 PM
13	Similar to today but with more emphasis on the environment.	12/26/2023 3:43 PM
14	For Harwich to return to more of a year-round community. Radical changes to housing to prioritize affordable single family home ownership for year-round residents - something that older generations took for granted, but has become almost entirely unattainable for younger	12/26/2023 2:53 PM

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folks - including those of us who grew up here. A Town that is invested in a year-round economy with stable, year-round employment opportunities. I think it is important for the Town to pursue options to disincentivize second-home/non-resident home ownership so that the existing home infrastructure can support more year-round residents/families.

15	Maintain the small village.	12/26/2023 2:49 PM
16	Net Zero	12/26/2023 2:23 PM
17	Quiet calm clean	12/26/2023 8:28 AM
18	History & Architecture incorporated into updates.	12/26/2023 5:52 AM
19	Less development of mega mansions. The character of the historic community will be preserved.	12/25/2023 10:35 PM
20	No more new homes, unless dedicated to affordable housing. Continue to preserve natural areas, trails, beaches and improved water quality would be attained.	12/25/2023 1:39 PM
21	Plenty of tree cover, hiking trails, very limited plastic use, affordable housing and climate change mitigation implementation.	12/25/2023 1:23 PM
22	Fewer rental properties. More owner- Occupied homes. A small town community feel.	12/25/2023 11:42 AM
23	Community preservation money goes to historic preservation! Funds for sensitive maintenance of private historic structures and landscapes. No more big trucks going thru Harwich Center. Community center more kid friendly.	12/25/2023 11:41 AM
24	Clean water, sewers, year round people, less summer rentals, more open space,	12/25/2023 11:20 AM
25	A year-round , economically and culturally diverse community with housing for local families would be great.	12/25/2023 10:33 AM
26	Better schools, much more alternative energy, plenty of open space.	12/25/2023 9:44 AM
27	bikeable, walkable, slower traffic	12/25/2023 7:41 AM
28	keep the historic , while engaging the future	12/25/2023 6:15 AM
29	Open space has been saved and environmentally sensitive areas protected. "Smart" development has been favored over growth for its own sake.	12/22/2023 5:38 PM
30	An area which permits me to remain in my own home with health services near by. Easy access to markets and the local shopping area.	12/22/2023 5:01 PM
31	A place where both young families and seniors have what they need!	12/22/2023 4:52 PM
32	A place to live , work and engage in the village you live in .	12/22/2023 2:58 PM
33	Economically and environmentally sound.	12/22/2023 12:51 PM
34	A place for people who work here can live here a place where seniors can afford to stay a place where children who are in need are taking care of	12/22/2023 9:43 AM
35	A Community of citizens focused on maintaining the quality, beauty, and integrity of our beloved town(s). A group of people dedicated to supporting each other and the needs of our Community.	12/21/2023 8:59 PM
36	Re-establishing the historic presentation of the cranberry industry, strong focus on affordable housing that is sustainable because of the high real estate values. Revised zoning to accommodate said housing. Small business friendly support and permitting. Strong focus on work force affordability.	12/21/2023 6:27 PM
37	no new developments	12/21/2023 4:11 PM
38	A town that provides opportunities for housing and jobs to young families and workers; maintaining high standards of water quality; improving infrastructure without having put financial pressures on the citizens; and overall improvement of the quality of life for its citizens-young and old.	12/21/2023 12:38 PM
39	Improve Board of Selectmen and Town Committees transparency and communication. Limit any additional growth of Harwich Port, improve other villages	12/21/2023 11:49 AM

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40	Safe environment for young families to live and enjoy the natural landscape of beach, waterways, trails and community. A place where seniors can enjoy the peaceful neighborhoods, natural beauty and have access to medical and recreational care.	12/21/2023 11:26 AM
41	A coastal village with charm that does not get overrun with developers building 2M houses, and tourists.	12/21/2023 10:39 AM
42	More sidewalks generally, and more bike lanes connecting to the CCRT and the Old Colony bike trail.	12/21/2023 10:38 AM
43	sewer system to minimize pollution of harbors, waterways more retail, restaurants	12/21/2023 10:34 AM
44	Better use of Harwich center including changing the traffic pattern which is often difficult to manage. I would like to see more restaurants and a good coffee shop.	12/20/2023 11:31 AM
45	Vibrant safe community	12/20/2023 12:30 AM
46	Slower development, change town code to not allow cul de sac developments, moratorium on number of town employees	12/19/2023 12:26 PM
47	An equal mixture of young and old residents concerned with the history and beauty of the environment.	12/19/2023 10:33 AM
48	Less visitors, less tourists, less traffic, more open space, less development, more affordable housing on lots that already have buildings on them - go after business areas - rezone if needed NOBODY wants more trees cut down for ANY reason	12/18/2023 3:02 PM
49	Keep the charm, slow down the commercialization, slow over development, slow down the traffic, lots of green space	12/18/2023 12:51 PM
50	Living in a community with many sidewalks, paths and cleaned up beaches for walking.	12/18/2023 10:53 AM
51	Focus on upgrading the villages. Use Orleans and Dennis as comparisons. Partner with local businesses to develop year round mentality. Focus on tourism.	12/18/2023 10:15 AM
52	static.....lack of further development other than housing oriented for a service community	12/18/2023 8:27 AM
53	Quaint New England town. Quiet, no big business, no fast food chains. A quintessential town that attracts everyone and doesn't have an elitist quality about it.	12/17/2023 11:04 PM
54	Bedford Falls	12/17/2023 10:27 AM
55	I would love to See Harwich take advantage of it's quaint costal access by having better walking access, and beautiful outdoor parks/recreation area people can actually enjoy, not just pickle ball courts.	12/16/2023 3:41 PM
56	I'll be dead.	12/16/2023 2:13 PM
57	Great schools. Healthy living - sidewalks, walking paths. Clean water. Positive culture and climate. Housing for workforce.	12/16/2023 10:59 AM
58	In 10-20 years Harwich should be a community where full year residents can afford to purchase a home or rent. These housing opportunities ned to be expanded and seasonal rentals need to be limited. Harwich should be a town with clean water, good infrastructure, and should have expanded affordable housing options for town residents.	12/16/2023 6:00 AM
59	Unchanged (but for more natural beauty and many more small local galleries and little shops to explore by all of our happy locals and visitors alike.	12/15/2023 9:30 PM
60	To be like it was 15 years ago. The nice quaint town	12/15/2023 10:01 AM
61	Seamless ebb and flow from busy season to offseason with increased offering for young families and seniors. Mindful elected officials focused of the preservation of our town and environmental future.	12/15/2023 8:37 AM
62	I hope Harwich can resist pressure to overdevelop this town and it remains much the same as it is.	12/15/2023 8:01 AM
63	Encourage families to move to community and to raise a family here. Also have enough well paying jobs for them to be able to stay here. Preserve what great things we have in this awesome community.	12/15/2023 4:30 AM

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64	No more McMansions, our beaches and conservation areas are in the same if not better shape, a single teacher working in the Harwich school system can afford to, and be able to find a place to live in town	12/14/2023 11:20 PM
65	A town that has been able to keep young families. The biggest achievement would be if we had an equal amount of students and young families as we do today.	12/14/2023 10:07 PM
66	Support young local families	12/14/2023 9:35 PM
67	Well funded schools (with stable population of children due to successful efforts to diversify the housing stock and retain and attract young working age people, vibrant community institutions and services (library/community center/COA/recreation) that create connections and a sense of community among residents, excellent broadband (no questions about that, btw, and that is critical to economic development, so I'll add - Town advance and support of broadband has solved the last mile problem allowing fast, reliable, affordable OpenCape service to residents and businesses in all areas of town, plentiful and fully staffed physician offices and medical facilities, walkable villages with sidewalks	12/14/2023 7:46 PM
68	No mandatory sewer hookups for existing owners. If home sells, new owner given 2 years to hook up.	12/14/2023 7:37 PM
69	A maintained village atmosphere similar to the Cape style that's invited people from around the world. But we NEED AFFORDABLE housing, otherwise there will be no Cape Cod except the super wealthy who have to import daily service people from the other side of the bridge	12/14/2023 7:21 PM
70	A safe place to live and raise a family	12/14/2023 6:48 PM
71	Strong economy, more architecturally appropriate housing/mixed use (especially in areas that are not now visually appealing (Bishops Terrace), protection of current open spaces	12/14/2023 6:32 PM
72	I would love to see a town less focused on senior residents and more inclusive of middle income families with school aged children	12/14/2023 5:39 PM
73	Public sewage, Sidewalk beautification, year round restaurants and bars, better parking at public beaches, more recreational activities available.	12/14/2023 5:26 PM
74	Fewer seasonal homeowners and those that keep seasonal homes pay higher property taxes; working families are able to afford a basic standard of living and expect a decent public school education and extracurricular activities for their children while seniors are able to live out their days in a dignified manner. There would be a lower priority on seasonal revenue and people who work in town can afford to live here.	12/14/2023 4:20 PM
75	Maintaining small town coastal feel where working families can afford to live and play. Community hubs with concentration of services and multiple public transportation options.	12/14/2023 4:03 PM
76	Not to harp on building and overdevelopment (but it IS a huge issue) I would like to see better use of existing structures renovated to fulfill housing and business needs and I'd like a law passed requiring builders reaping over x-millions of \$per yr to build, and forever maintain, quality smaller or 2-family houses. The ideal Harwich has its wonderful traditions of parades and Strolls and maintaining its lovely small town feel.	12/14/2023 3:47 PM
77	safe, stable, vibrant	12/14/2023 2:45 PM
78	Harwich will have affordable apartments to rent, and we will be able to zone for denser building- - apartments that include surrounding green space so renters are able to have a yard or access to green space. The town will decarbonize municipal structures and incentivize home owners to do the same, and Harwich will explore environmentally friendly efforts such as municipal composting, waste water recycling, and rain gardens in municipal spaces. Harwich will be bike friendly and have a functioning public transport system. Ideally people who live in Harwich can work in town too and vice versa.	12/14/2023 1:04 PM
79	Clean house on Select Board and replace TA. Incentivize repair and Rehab vacant residences before issuing new housing construction permit ; set up citizens group for feedback to local institutions and complete a new town master plan and cultural resources study - stop the increasing part- time housing units occupancy and construction; preserve historic buildings and places; establish more "pocket" parks on ponds to give better access to rail trail users; add walking and bike paths on busy roads; improve directional signage; increase taxes on seasonal rentals; remove petty taxes and usage fees on pets, trash, beaches, publish advance notices for all government and committee meetings and record minutes and keep	12/14/2023 12:50 PM

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open to residents who wish to listen during proceedings; digitize all local government processes such as taxing and permitting; prevent homeless camping on public property; refund annual surplus funds back to taxpayers

80	Get the community center back to what it used to be like in the 2000s for seniors and children. More affordable housing for family's and teachers	12/14/2023 12:45 PM
81	vibrant but classic town feel with shops and restaurants. preserve the cape cod aesthetic lots of conservation land	12/14/2023 10:49 AM
82	More affordable housing with preserving Harwich character, small town	12/14/2023 10:08 AM
83	Friendly for young families Adequate affordable housing Robust economy Strong school system	12/14/2023 9:58 AM
84	Maintain the feeling of old Harwich but meet community needs and curb overdevelopment.	12/14/2023 9:51 AM
85	More year-round recreational opportunities, including field/space dedication, for our youth. A new Director of Recreation would be great!	12/14/2023 9:46 AM
86	Better form of governing, less likely to be as today's almost dictatorship by Select Board. Time to stop small town politics from allowing natural changes.	12/14/2023 9:38 AM
87	Character and charm and a golf course for more resident use, too much non resident, the course is going in the wrong direction.	12/14/2023 9:30 AM
88	Well run town offices local govt that is based on working for the people of harwich. The current local government is a mess .	12/14/2023 9:27 AM
89	Stop giving permits for overdevelopment for non residents second homes	12/14/2023 9:26 AM
90	Growth in beautification and town planning to promote a small, stable and idyllic feel	12/14/2023 9:19 AM
91	A swimming pool year round in town is extremely important. More sidewalks. I'd like to see a sidewalk along Long Pond Rd connecting Route 137 to 124.	12/14/2023 8:57 AM
92	A town where the people who work here can afford to live here. Our natural resources mean that tourists will come regardless of what we do, so the town's focus should be on the individuals and families who make this place their home year round.	12/14/2023 8:52 AM
93	Better use of open land for recreation ie soccer turf field for the youth. More options for working families with after school and summer child care needs. Affordable Housing available for local year round families.	12/14/2023 8:42 AM
94	A town that welcomes all, seniors, children, families, who will feel they can rely on the elected officials hear their concerns and share their triumphs. When visitors come, the year round citizens realize the traffic and longer waits help pay our year round bills.	12/14/2023 8:08 AM
95	Continue local family support. What makes Harwich better than surrounding towns is the younger families.	12/14/2023 6:49 AM
96	Great schools, locally owned businesses, maintaining great staffing for police, fire, DPW and teachers with all being able to live on our community, affordable housing for our residents.	12/14/2023 1:11 AM
97	Care for working families with kids	12/13/2023 10:54 PM
98	We need sidewalks so everyone can walk instead of using their vehicles	12/13/2023 10:07 PM
99	More sidewalks, less flashy signs, more traditional street scapes, something around town to slow down the speed of drivers, school population growing.	12/13/2023 9:40 PM
100	Adequate housing stock for low moderate income residents, robust local businesses supporting seasonal and year round economy, comprehensive waste water system in process/ completed, town programs equally balanced between seniors and younger residents, A Harwich center with a strong village identity, businesses, sidewalks and street trees	12/13/2023 9:39 PM
101	Increased spaces available for youth programming. Splash pad. Increased housing options. Increased restaurants/retailers in vacant spots. Increased availability and affordability for young families to move here.	12/13/2023 9:06 PM
102	Increased rec programs for young children 3-5 years, increased rec programming for high school aged kids that don't play high school sports. Added fields (similar to Yarmouth middle	12/13/2023 9:04 PM

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	school) Added indoor gym space whether by expansion of 204 or community center or by new builds Renovate behind 204 sisson to make fields usable for organized sports	
103	Has old charm while keeping up with modern needs and trends. With focus on housing for young families and year round workers.	12/13/2023 8:45 PM
104	Small, local businesses, more community events, no large buildings or structures. Continuous focus on health and wellness. Families creating traditions within the community.	12/13/2023 7:54 PM
105	The way it was 30 years ago.	12/13/2023 6:42 PM
106	More sidewalks	12/13/2023 6:17 PM
107	Lots of young working families with kids enjoying our beautiful town. More community fairs. Kids walking and riding bikes SAFELY on our streets. Accessibility to year round residents to beaches. Preferable a resident (year round) beach for us to enjoy without the ridiculous crowds and idiots. A town pool for residents only. I keep saying g residents only- I feel like the cape has shifted from taking care of their own, to kissing ass to the big money, it sucks. We work hard. Throw us a bone and keep something special for the townspeople who truly love this place.	12/13/2023 5:24 PM
108	More programs for the kids	12/13/2023 5:12 PM
109	One that can support itself, with enough young families able to afford to live here, working here.	12/13/2023 5:07 PM
110	The ideal Harwich to me would have a balance of programs to suit all year round residents, both families with children and seniors. The key is prioritizing year round working people. We don't need more multimillion dollar properties that no one actually living and working on the cape can afford.	12/13/2023 4:55 PM
111	No more eastward companies and millions dollar homes. No air bnbs and short term rentals allows in the town	12/13/2023 4:43 PM
112	Support working families, support school system, support public safety, reasonable growth	12/13/2023 4:01 PM
113	Keeping the small town feel. Businesses and restaurants should enhance that vibe. Continuing and improving upon services for kids, families, sports and seniors.	12/13/2023 3:29 PM
114	Not building multi family homes or apartments. Keeping our small town feel but incorporating and supporting useful businesses	12/13/2023 3:03 PM
115	In 10-20 years I'd like to see a thriving community. Far fewer cookie cutter developments of million dollar homes, and more young families in AFFORDABLE single family homes or multi-family homes. More sidewalks around town with more public transportation options. A recreation facility dedicated to the children (under 18) of Harwich. An afterschool program NOT the ymca running to help the working families of Harwich. More dedicated green space, fields and such for community use. Continued community efforts to preserving water quality and the coastline. Harwich needs to invest more into the youth and young families if we'd like to grow!	12/13/2023 2:54 PM
116	maintenance of good water supply, beautiful beaches and welcoming villages without concentration of big/chain businesses. Green development	12/13/2023 1:21 PM
117	To have adequate housing for young adults and families. More sidewalks and streetlights. Continue the local community feeling	12/13/2023 1:09 PM
118	Areas of combined use, living, business, and activities with surrounding conservation lands with access throughout the town via walking, biking and public transportation	12/13/2023 12:17 PM
119	A place that supports year round families by providing a stellar school system, affordable housing, and better youth programs.	12/13/2023 11:13 AM
120	Affordable housing for local and year rounders	12/13/2023 11:07 AM
121	Affordable housing. Limits on the development of massive houses vs. plot of land. Clean streets and beaches. Free or very inexpensive Afterschool care for kids. Especially elementary aged	12/13/2023 10:40 AM
122	Small town full of year round families with vibrant and thriving local businesses. Sought after public school system and recreational activities.	12/13/2023 9:58 AM

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123	I would like to see sidewalks for safe walking, a revamping of Harwich Center, and programming for the youth of our town	12/13/2023 9:52 AM
124	-along with rest of cape: on public sewer to mitigate environmental degradation. -reduce growth of seasonal residents and encourage growth of year long residents. -Building big SFH on the cape to optimize economic growth is like cutting trees on Easter island.	12/13/2023 7:53 AM
125	A town that has adapted to change without destroying its historic heritage	12/12/2023 11:22 PM
126	Avoiding sprawl and overdevelopment	12/12/2023 7:11 PM
127	Much greener in every way including cars,ev stations,solar panel incentives etc...	12/12/2023 1:43 PM
128	Good water quality, increased sewerage, fewer new large homes with large fertilized and watered lawns, community feel with working families.	12/12/2023 8:07 AM
129	Health care #1!!! Get and retain more doctors! Affordable housing for people who work here!	12/12/2023 8:04 AM
130	A place where residents and visitors of all races/ethnicities are truly welcome and valued with affordable homes for families and individuals in all categories. One where we value and protect the natural beauty we are fortunate to have around us. Recreational opportunities for all ages and abilities.	12/12/2023 6:29 AM
131	A town with a mixture of young families as well as stable retired folks who are able to live and work on the cape. Not just seniors.	12/12/2023 12:58 AM
132	lots of open space for recreation and enjoyment. Important to preserve the beautiful town we have, and avoid over development	12/11/2023 2:29 PM
133	Maintain a this well run local small town. Focus on the character and feel for local residents (clean, quiet, and earthy neighborhoods). At the same time, catering to influx by maintaining existing natural resources and continue to offer seasonal activities.	12/11/2023 11:43 AM
134	A well maintained Town that provides adequate housing, school and child opportunities to families, including seniors, that takes pride on its history, natural resources and sense of community	12/11/2023 9:20 AM
135	Maintaining a quaint and safe place to live for our residents and visitors. Increasing the appeal for people to vacation and visit harwich- beaches, restaurants, shops, golf, pickle, etc.	12/11/2023 6:36 AM
136	Less short term rentals, more affordable housing for current year-rounders. We don't need more building, we need the homes and buildings that are already here to be available to the families who want and need them to stay here.	12/10/2023 8:53 PM
137	Remains a vacation spot but workers do not have to drive more than 25 minutes.	12/10/2023 4:56 PM
138	Maintaining the charm of each village and adding sidewalks to connect the villages.	12/10/2023 4:51 PM
139	More sidewalks and town wide sewer.	12/10/2023 2:44 PM
140	this town should be a safe and nice place to live. not too crowded with lots of retail and restaurant options for those who live here and visit.	12/10/2023 6:34 AM
141	In the short term 1) acquire more conservation land for the town before the land is all gone 2) develop housing for our young families and year round and seasonal workers In the longer term we need to 1) implement plans to protect against climate change	12/9/2023 11:58 PM
142	More local public transportation and frequency options to travel the Cape. Affordable housing for all (including seniors). More walkable areas.	12/9/2023 10:25 PM
143	Fully sewerred. Quaint, with housing for all.	12/9/2023 9:48 PM
144	A small quiet Cape Cod town with less tourists and where middle class people can live comfortably year round.	12/9/2023 5:58 PM
145	A multi-generational and multi- socioeconomic community of culturally diverse people living and working together. A town with excellent schools and medical resources, with access to recreational facilities and beautiful beaches.	12/9/2023 5:49 PM
146	Economically strong community while maintaining an Affordable tax base that offer services, recreation and joy to the community	12/9/2023 11:56 AM

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147	No onshore wind cables, no "chain" stores, minimal housing developments, smaller homes ie 1500 sq ft or less, excellent schools with non sports & sport programs, more sidewalks, active community center, low crime rate, protected natural resources.	12/8/2023 4:28 PM
148	Minimal to no commercial/industrial growth. Minimal new housing developments. Encourage building of small homes ie: 1500 sq ft or less. Protect waters & reduce usage for lawns & other superfluous uses. Preserve open areas & inland waters. Maintain current number of small businesses. Continue to provide excellent school system. Keep community center vibrant. Install more sidewalks in E Harwich.	12/8/2023 3:42 PM
149	Healthier, younger, cleaner	12/8/2023 9:47 AM
150	Fewer high-end habitat-depleted neighborhoods. Well-maintained bike paths. Far, far less roadside trash. Indoor swimming facility for school, business and public use. A Trader Joe's. Underground electrical systems!	12/8/2023 9:42 AM
151	Well managed development that allows middle income families to thrive here. Less mega mansions. Maintain small town feel. Vibrant restaurant and downtown areas	12/8/2023 9:05 AM
152	Robust land conservation to preserve natural beauty of the environment. This is what makes Harwich unique.	12/8/2023 7:57 AM
153	Protect the water! Complete sewerage Harwich with a new goal close to 20 years vs. the current 50 plus years	12/8/2023 12:22 AM
154	Affordable housing, Diversity, Equity, Incusion priority	12/7/2023 11:10 PM
155	Children will grow up and want to stay and raise their own families.	12/7/2023 10:48 PM
156	Rural, Cape charm preserved, unique local businesses, active sport lifestyles with water activities, bike trails, hiking, and golf.	12/7/2023 10:18 PM
157	Small affordable young families	12/7/2023 9:15 PM
158	Harwich needs to work to preserve the charm of a small seaside town. It needs to expand services that will attract young families to our town - maintaining quality schools through funding and recruiting quality staff.	12/7/2023 8:59 PM
159	Better paying jobs for young families and affordable homes for them to live in	12/7/2023 8:39 PM
160	An affordable town for families with young children both full time and summer residents.	12/7/2023 8:04 PM
161	A diverse community with increased numbers of year round residents . . . this can only happen if multifamily housing units are available. I would like for the people who do the work here to be able to live here and go to school here as well.	12/7/2023 7:02 PM
162	Vibrant villages, small business improvement, recreation lessons for all - swimming, sailing, kayaking, tennis, pickleball at a reasonable cost. Support from the Chamber of Commerce for activities planned by various organizations.	12/7/2023 6:39 PM
163	Stopped building permits,,,we're too over developed now	12/7/2023 6:38 PM
164	Affordable housing for low wage earners, end the ugly McMansions that are being built everywhere (think Elijah's Way). More reasonably priced houses. Allow ADU's with existing houses. A more welcoming ton that the people who live and work on the cape can live instead of have more second homeowners buying houses here	12/7/2023 6:28 PM
165	I would hope that Harwich can maintain its coastal New England charm, clean and protected waterways, a vibrant community for year-round residents, and still be affordable for people who are drawn to the beauty of Cape Cod.	12/7/2023 6:14 PM
166	A Harwich that a young family can afford. A Harwich where not half the houses are vacant in the winter. A Harwich where not half the house in the summer are short term rentals.	12/7/2023 4:23 PM
167	I'd like to see people who are from Harwich have the ability to remain here and buy or rent homes. I'd also like to see land preservation.	12/7/2023 4:22 PM
168	Slower traffic, enforce noise ordinance, stop loud motorcycles they are illegal. Stop off-road motorcycles and 4 wheelers on trails.	12/7/2023 4:11 PM
169	Preservation of the existing natural beauty of Harwich - - Significant restriction on new	12/7/2023 3:15 PM

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development. - Purchase for preservation of open space. - Existing older buildings and homes are retained.

170	Trees and open space. Parking for residents at beaches and marinas. Smart development without increased population. Focus on year-round and seasonal residents rather than weekly tourists.	12/7/2023 2:54 PM
171	Improved sidewalks throughout area - Route 28, lower county road, all villages — to improve sense of neighborhoods	12/7/2023 2:46 PM
172	A welcoming place with opportunities and housing for all different ages and walks of life. A place that loves the natural beauty and clean water. A place people can afford to live.	12/7/2023 2:35 PM
173	A safe place to live and raise a family with great restaurants and shops and services.	12/7/2023 1:23 PM
174	Wetland areas are preserved with wastewater treatment in every village. Young families will populate the area as there are many services that support them, including rent controlled housing. Housing for seniors will also be rent controlled and available.	12/7/2023 1:06 PM
175	Services for all residents in moderation. Clean environment	12/7/2023 12:44 PM
176	A town that has affordable housing for workers - that has open space for recreation...that is environmentally up-to-date and safe.	12/7/2023 12:43 PM
177	Positive management outcome of the Harwich shore line and conservation of the Harwich harbors.	12/7/2023 12:37 PM
178	The look and feel of the town remains the same. No large developments; and if they are done have zoning and community look standards. Also recommend a noise policy be put in place.	12/7/2023 12:07 PM
179	Clean water and air, land in conservation, stop commercial creep into neighborhoods	12/7/2023 11:52 AM
180	A town that continues to address the needs of current residents while striving to be more accommodating to those who cannot afford the million+ dollar homes that have become the norm.	12/7/2023 11:49 AM
181	Increased affordable housing, management of downtown parking	12/7/2023 11:31 AM
182	Affordable housing for young low income families. Environmental awareness regarding NO TOXIC PESTICIDE AND HERBICIDE use. INSTALLATION of solar panels on town buildings.	12/7/2023 11:20 AM
183	Red River beach resilient from sea level rise, EV charging stations everywhere, roundabouts at most intersections, local businesses including supermarkets and restaurants thriving	12/7/2023 11:06 AM
184	That in 20 years there are No regrets about what could have been done to preserve the reason why we live here as permanent residents: woodlands, ponds, and seashore.	12/7/2023 10:55 AM
185	More vibrant year round villages. More affordable housing for the workers that keep the town running: fire, police, teachers, etc.	12/7/2023 10:48 AM
186	Caring community that focuses on locals...seniors, education (children), and health. A green community that protects and expands conservation.	12/7/2023 10:48 AM
187	Similar look and feel and level of services with the addition of more affordable housing, and sewers/WWT to improve the quality of water which is run-off.	12/7/2023 10:47 AM
188	Preserve the character/natural resources.	12/7/2023 10:44 AM
189	Maintain the coastal village feel for the year round community. Residential & Commercial development continue but at a rate that does not affect the village feel of Harwich.	12/7/2023 10:44 AM
190	Live and work here	12/7/2023 10:23 AM
191	preserve as much green space as possible, preserve as much historical character as possible. Do not under any circumstances allow more condos and shrinking minimum lot sizes	12/7/2023 10:22 AM
192	vibrant	12/7/2023 10:22 AM
193	Maintain Cape Cod feel for any future growth, especially new housing and retail. Curb residential growth except to accommodate people who live and work here. Encourage retail, restaurant, and recreation that brings income to the area.	12/7/2023 10:17 AM

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194	Not under water and with enough affordable housing to allow people who work here to live here	12/7/2023 10:15 AM
195	Quaint, accessible small town historically preserved and differentiated. More diversity in every respect.	12/7/2023 10:13 AM
196	A town aware of the climate crisis and the fragility of the environment and a police force willing to enforce environmental laws already in place such as anti idling laws	12/7/2023 9:57 AM
197	There are sidewalks throughout town, especially Harwich Center, where people can walk and enjoy the beauty and nature around them. Instead of driving everywhere, you can walk, get exercise, see other people and enjoy the time spent.	12/7/2023 9:49 AM
198	Harwich will be cleaner & greener with adequate open space, walking paths (sidewalks on BOTH sides of the street) - there will be a good mix of local businesses, arts & culture programs & opportunities as well as adequate housing especially for year-round workers, seniors, young families. Town government will be responsive to community needs & willing to listen to resident input.	12/7/2023 9:48 AM
199	Keep it as close to what it is today. We must not let it become another Hyannis by allowing so much commercial growth that it ruins a gorgeous little coastal town.	12/7/2023 9:48 AM
200	A vibrant, highly walkable, green, healthy town with many small businesses enjoying success. A place that attracts young families and people who value the community. A Town that has bike trails, walking trails and protects the natural habitat.	12/7/2023 9:47 AM
201	More conservation land; no more building houses; no large affordable housing projects; no tall buildings; resident-only beaches.	12/7/2023 9:43 AM
202	Maintain small town character. Protect coastal and inland waterways.	12/7/2023 9:42 AM
203	Improved pond and estuary water quality such as the HCT programs taking place (e.g. Cold Brook) Sewer system	12/7/2023 9:33 AM
204	Expansion of opportunities for working younger families who will be able to afford to live here, raise their kids, attend good schools , swim in our waters, get summer jobs here and maybe decide to stay and care for all that we have and are what makes this home! Zoning changes and more cluster and other inventive forms of housing. Dennis has several good models. We need not look far!	12/7/2023 9:27 AM
205	Increased conservation space, more local health care, small additions of affordable workforce housing.	12/7/2023 9:26 AM
206	Sidewalks to and near beach areas!! Too many people dangerously walking on roads. Make them narrow if need be but make them.	12/7/2023 9:11 AM
207	Much the same as today, with the feel and character of neighborhoods preserved—an oasis of calm and neighborliness in a changing world.	12/7/2023 9:05 AM
208	Restored habitat surrounding Red River, especially the marsh currently blocked by the road between Harwich and Chatham near Red River Beach. Character of the town.	12/7/2023 8:52 AM
209	Respect and better communication between government and citizens. emphasis on what's better for everyone, now and into the future, rather than for the vocal angry mob now.	12/7/2023 8:51 AM
210	A more vibrant and diversified year-round business sector providing well-paid jobs and generating increased revenues for the ongoing investment by the town. More affordable housing for working families, more open space and continued expansion of public facilities for the enjoyment of all. Resolution of our water preservation and wastewater challenges thru advanced and affordable technology. Consideration of converting part of Harwichport Center into a no-vehicle zone for part of the summer.	12/7/2023 8:49 AM
211	A Town that helps the local population and does not ease the working/middle class out of Harwich and ultimately, Cape Cod.	12/7/2023 8:31 AM
212	An ideal Harwich would be prepared for climate change. We would have zoning laws that prohibit building in flood zones. We would assist residents and businesses in relocating out of flood zones. We would have eliminated the use of all fossil fuels in municipal buildings and cars.	12/7/2023 8:28 AM
213	Prevent overdevelopment, protect beaches and watershed, offer housing opportunities for	12/7/2023 8:26 AM

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	workers and service people, preserve natural habitats	
214	No major changes. Continue strategy of incorporating affordable or workforce housing into mixed use development. Also continued efforts to acquire / protect open space.	12/7/2023 8:22 AM
215	Protected land, services for seniors, affordable housing for seniors and families. Protection of our beaches. Health services.	12/7/2023 7:42 AM
216	Improving housing to be accessible for year round families	12/7/2023 7:38 AM
217	More year round residents living in an affordable, safe and well managed community.	12/7/2023 7:37 AM
218	A modern New England coastal community, encouraging year-round affordable living. Not just second homes, not just retirees, but growing families. It MUST contain modern infrastructure of which border-to-border sewers connected to every structure is paramount.	12/7/2023 7:31 AM
219	I couldn't rank items in 20 and 21: all are important to me, equally	12/7/2023 7:23 AM
220	Accept the reality of climate change as an existential threat, and act accordingly.	12/7/2023 7:15 AM
221	Less development of large houses, more conservation land and trails, expanded beach parking and more beach amenities, more parking downtown.	12/7/2023 7:03 AM
222	A town that adequately provides for the needs of local families to include affordable housing	12/7/2023 6:53 AM
223	Sewers will be put in, and no private tax for people who do not live there. Maybe a percentage should be done for amount of time spent in Harwich	12/7/2023 6:51 AM
224	slow down development and maintain/increase open spaces	12/7/2023 6:43 AM
225	Keeping it a high-quality coastal town with good education	12/7/2023 6:24 AM
226	A less restrictive town that does not feel the need to impose big government on our lives. Harwich has always had an independent spirit, and I worry we are becoming like Chatham (no loud music, limiting cigarette sales, etc etc). Local government role is "run the town", not dictate people's lives. I want to live in a town that has live music, and a vibrant bustling scene. Not just a town full of old people walking their dogs - we need more for young people, young families to help them. We need a town that has active seniors, who understand that a healthy community supports young people and families.	12/7/2023 6:18 AM
227	Acting on knowledge of climate change to electrify homes and businesses and transportation. Low income housing thru zoning changes, lot size and laws friendly. Maintain green space. Coastline stability and water quality.	12/7/2023 6:08 AM
228	We take bold innovative actions around wastewater and investigate all alternatives- sewer will not fix our issues in time and not all residents will be sewers and not everyone can afford it. Wastewater is one of our biggest barriers to more affordable housing being built. In 10-20 years I hope Harwich becomes a leader again for the nation, like we briefly were in the late 1980's-1990's, for pioneering alternative wastewater technology (like urine diversion/incinerating and composting toilets) and make a faster impact on nitrogen reduction, while paving the way for more housing, via ADUs- if we can use ADUs to pilot this new technology. We were once the focus of attention for the world due to our solar aquatics pilot at the town dump. We can be that pioneer again. It takes bold, curious, fearless leadership. My vision also includes a town rid of toxicity (not just in our waterways, but in our public discourse and government). I am not proud to live here as our town stands. We are seen as the laughing stock of many of the towns. We are seen as being divisive, fiscally focused at the expense of any culture, arts, public benefit or common good. When do we think of our neighbor's needs? Nature's needs? My vision is a Harwich where "the warmer side of the Cape" means we are more welcoming and gracious in how we govern, interact and advocate for what we hold important. We consider the stranger worthy of knowing and including and supporting. And we value the creatives and artists that make our town so unique.	12/7/2023 12:10 AM
229	A rural feeling town with beautiful and historic homes, wonderful clean beaches and ponds, and an increase in conservation.	12/6/2023 11:33 PM
230	A ban on short-term residential rentals, the reduction of sound & light pollution.	12/6/2023 10:41 PM
231	Children going to pre k for free. The rec center providing free programs for our youth. Affordable housing for us nurses, first responders and teachers.	12/6/2023 8:33 PM

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232	Look at Babcock Ranch in Fort Myers, Florida the community was developed on green tech and sustainability.	12/6/2023 7:53 PM
233	Affordable living for town residents and zero Land development	12/6/2023 7:24 PM
234	My ideal harwich would have a strong sense of conservation and protection for our open space. Harwich would expand its free activity spaces for multiple age groups including parks, out door attractions, meeting spaces, skate/bike parks and more open and accessible indoor gym spaces. Harwich would pivot back to supporting the local working families. Expand services for youth in the community. My ideal Harwich would include maintaining the look and characteristics of existing home styles. Limit the amount of over sized, over priced, empty second homes being used as businesses in our residential communities.	12/6/2023 6:50 PM
235	Add affordable housing each year until it is no longer a problem. The solution to this problem outweighs all the others.	12/6/2023 6:00 PM
236	More affordable housing, less \$2M homes, more energy efficient (electric) municipal vehicles, solar paneled public buildings, larger parking lots at seasonal recreation sites.	12/6/2023 5:39 PM
237	Still looking like Cape Cod using Design Guidelines at the planning stage. And reduce our tax bill.	12/6/2023 5:28 PM
238	More street lights, no pot holes	12/6/2023 5:17 PM
239	small town friendly place	12/6/2023 4:44 PM
240	Vibrant businesses, no homeless. Vibrant, highly sought after school system. Healthy housing market.	12/6/2023 4:14 PM
241	A rejection of consumerism and a community coming together to create a land based economy	12/6/2023 4:05 PM
242	Sewers installed, not overwhelmed with tourists and weekly rental properties.	12/6/2023 4:03 PM
243	A place that can have affordable housing for all its residents. Prioritize spending to provide good schools, good roads, a strong green economy and community services to those who need the.	12/6/2023 3:58 PM
244	Less clinging to an unrealistic ideal of quaintness and more focus on healthy, environmentally-sound development that allows young families to stay & move here to thrive as part of a diverse community. More emphasis on safe, green transportation, especially for cyclists and pedestrians. A better balance between recreation and tourism on the one hand and design for living on the other. CLEAN, HEALTHY WATERSHEDS. Managed growth that favors long-term community development over quick profits and allows greater density where appropriate. A thriving school system that draws from and gives back to the community. Continued support for elders and disabled persons. A sane housing market.	12/6/2023 2:43 PM
245	More middle class year round single family housing, more ADU housing options. Focus on youth and family activities. Sell 204 sission. The town should not be in the business of renting space. Upgrading that building to rent space is not what the town should be focused on.	12/6/2023 2:43 PM
246	Fewer traditional lawns, sewers to most of the town, more modern town planning and zoning, and better transport to Boston by train or mass transit. Enhanced communications to support medical care, education, and business. A vaccine against Lyme ticks and the wave of new tick diseases. Shark barriers. Less light pollution from business, residential, and town lighting. There used to be dark nights until a couple of years ago. My owls have left.	12/6/2023 2:36 PM
247	That Harwich does not become over developed especially with very expensive properties for second home buyers.	12/6/2023 2:04 PM
248	Harwich will be a community in which cars are not needed, families on public salaries will be able to live and own homes here, health care is accessible and 90% of energy is not carbon based.	12/6/2023 1:59 PM
249	a community where aging in place is a priority. And services for both old and young are available.	12/6/2023 1:52 PM
250	An inclusive welcoming community of mindful folks working together to the betterment of all.	12/6/2023 1:50 PM
251	Well managed sewer system a better building /zoning plan	12/6/2023 1:44 PM
252	Maintain the look and community feel of the town. Sewerage for all. Small class sizes.variety	12/6/2023 1:39 PM

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	of housing.	
253	financially sustainable	12/6/2023 1:30 PM
254	Governed by Selectman board members who are educated and have vision, and not hamstrung by ill informed 'small town' views.	12/6/2023 1:23 PM
255	Still rural, no more housing for investment by developers. Green, clean, affordable.	12/6/2023 1:10 PM
256	My ideal Harwich will have a community of mixed age groups, ethnicities, etc living together in well preserved historic villages which enhance the natural environment and local culture and arts.	12/6/2023 12:36 PM
257	Town that can support tourism and create housing for the work force	12/6/2023 12:29 PM
258	Keep the character of Harwich and improve the roads.	12/6/2023 12:27 PM
259	Vibrant schools, no more septic, Cape-leading quantity of green space, effective Board of Selectmen	12/6/2023 12:17 PM
260	stay as a small town - but need more retail stores in center to attract money and business Need major hospital presence ie: Beth Israel or MGH in area esp as community ages.	12/6/2023 12:16 PM
261	Bring young families back.	12/6/2023 12:07 PM
262	I would like to see MANY more sidewalks in town for our health and safety. Our beautiful old buildings will be improved like Brooks museum and trees will be planted in public spaces.	12/5/2023 5:45 PM
263	Peaceful environment, ability to commune with nature, businesses for needs within walking distance	12/5/2023 4:06 PM
264	An ideal Harwich would continue conserving priority watershed lands to protect drinking water, ponds, and coastal waters while providing affordable housing for a range of incomes and ages.	12/5/2023 3:34 PM
265	Eco-friendly, lots of preserved natural lands, with affordable housing for lower and middle class, and reliable public transportation	12/5/2023 1:58 PM
266	Need to find ways to ensure we have a vibrant, engaged year round community (I understand this is a challenge across the entire Cape) More effective zoning to slow down new developments of over-priced homes that become 2nd homes/empty communities	12/5/2023 10:31 AM
267	Hoping it feels the same as it feels now. Hoping we solve water problem with faster movement to eliminate septic systems. Hoping we do not overbuild such that Harwich does not remain a beautiful town.	12/5/2023 7:28 AM
268	Residents will vote in far greater numbers than currently do and take charge of the way money is spent and on what.	12/4/2023 2:00 PM
269	Diverse population with more cluster housing and ability to walk or take public transportation	12/3/2023 6:58 AM
270	Small town character remains, affordable to a wide range of residents. Not a just a summer playground for the entitled.	12/2/2023 2:51 PM
271	I would like Harwich to maintain a community feel and services for all ages. I would also like to see more affordable homes for our young people so that we maintain a balance between young and old.	12/2/2023 10:22 AM
272	A healthy community with plenty of protected open space, vibrant villages and a range of affordable housing options.	12/1/2023 11:24 AM
273	Maintaining its "small town" character, better traffic control, residential over commercial, no high density cluster housing.	11/30/2023 11:51 PM
274	Would like to see many "pocket parks". These are neighborhood builders. Just small areas with low maint lawn and a few benches. Maybe use some small patches of town land.	11/30/2023 1:14 PM
275	Slower calmer family friendly	11/29/2023 11:02 PM
276	Improve community services	11/28/2023 9:30 PM
277	I would like Harwich to keep the small coastline community feel. Keep open spaces for nature preserves	11/28/2023 2:59 PM

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278	I doubt I'll be around by then but keep the taxes affordable, Children comes first....they are our future... and keep the seniors happy!	11/28/2023 9:49 AM
279	Focus on creating affordable housing for people who can't afford to rent or buy in Harwich. Lifting up young families to participate in community activities for youth ages K-12. Involving high school kids to be on certain town committees (non voting) so that their voices are heard. Slowing development to protect the fragile environment.	11/28/2023 8:51 AM
280	Care takers of our natural resources and each other. Vibrant year round neighborhoods.	11/28/2023 8:45 AM
281	Green, clean water, equitable housing.	11/28/2023 8:08 AM
282	A community that has a good balance between industry and tourism business Bring more industry to Harwich more good year round jobs people will stay and mid size housing will follow. Please bring business and industry to the town support year round residents with jobs.	11/28/2023 2:05 AM
283	No more subdivisions. Village center. Dense housing. More conservation: every acre developed = 10 acres in conservation.	11/27/2023 8:43 PM
284	A community with a vibrant year-round multigenerational community. A place where children can go to great schools and choose/afford to stay. Where things like quality broadband enables remote workers and businesses to grow here.	11/27/2023 7:23 PM
285	Preserve the coast line. Support more small businesses especially in Harwich Center	11/27/2023 4:50 PM
286	More year round residents. Fewer short term rentals. Better health care(providers are leaving and it's getting harder to find and afford health care providers)	11/27/2023 4:41 PM
287	One that actively preserves historical structure by acquiring the. By eminent domain and creating public private partnerships where volunteers can fundraise, write grants and preserve and protect our heritage. Housing for seasonal workers , walkable area of town with sidewalks and retail/rental units design with respect to out historic roots.	11/27/2023 2:28 PM
288	Housing for all with a nice mix of tourism and year round businesses.	11/27/2023 12:58 PM
289	a historic village with loads of walking and biking across natural preserves. professional lifeguards that actually look at the water. an expansion of the arts programs at the old elementary school	11/27/2023 12:28 PM
290	After living here for over twenty years, I would hope that future Harwich residents can enjoy the same small town feel that is a hallmark of this town.	11/27/2023 11:56 AM
291	one that people can afford to live in. No more building.	11/27/2023 11:05 AM
292	A community with a solid balance of industry and jobs. Make Harwich attractive not just to tourists but to individuals looking to live and work year round. Bring jobs/ industry to town. Mid level housing will follow and the town will be able to focus on tree planting and recreation.	11/27/2023 10:59 AM
293	Slow and calculated growth with some minor tweaks to Harwichport to increase parking and encourage shared use (retail/housing) development. Creating pathways for the other villages to have similar success that Harwichport has had over the last 10 years. Increase the availability of housing for the working class by raising the minimum earnings standard to include the "missing middle".	11/27/2023 10:11 AM
294	Sewer/wastewater project resolved/finished. Greener economy/infrastructure. Housing affordability addressed.	11/27/2023 9:30 AM
295	Clearly a town that maintains its character and is affordable for all.	11/27/2023 8:30 AM
296	A community that can take great care of all age ranges while staying current with small businesses needs.	11/27/2023 7:20 AM
297	More families and year round residents, strong community services, better healthcare options	11/27/2023 7:00 AM
298	Workers such as teachers. Police and fire workers should be able to afford to live where they work.	11/26/2023 10:10 PM
299	Small town vibe with preserved ocean , walking / biking access encouraged	11/26/2023 10:08 PM
300	Viable town center with parking as well as bustling Harwichport. Preserve natural areas such as Cornelius Pond, Smith area etc	11/26/2023 10:04 PM

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301	The HARWICH I envision will put community preservation first along with keeping our communities green by use of trees and native plantings. Hopefully having limitations on housing developments by keeping density out if the new housing developments. Keeping Cape Cod as is not with housing tenements.	11/26/2023 9:55 PM
302	Keep or increase the number of families and children in the town. This would need more affordable housing.	11/26/2023 9:22 PM
303	Quaint, small-town feel, not overcrowded, happy tourists, happy locals, thriving businesses in the Port, the Center, East Harwich, and other local retail areas.	11/26/2023 9:20 PM
304	No more huge summer houses. Restoration of older homes to make them liveable for young families.	11/26/2023 9:08 PM
305	Overdevelopment has stopped. We are not reliant on tourism and can embrace it but not at the expense of year-round residents. Buildings are restricted in size and height. More community engagement and services. Preservation of our historic buildings.	11/26/2023 9:05 PM
306	we will have figured out the balance between protecting our beautiful land and waters and how to foster a diverse housing stock so that if a young family wants to make a life in Harwich, they can. If our school district kindergarten enrollment is steady with families living in our town, not just school choice, this is a sign of a healthy community. The tourists will come, but what makes Harwich Harwich is the children and families that live and work and thrive and create here year round.	11/26/2023 8:24 PM

Q25 What concerns (if any) do you have for your village/neighborhood?

Answered: 313 Skipped: 331

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Water and sewer increased management to protect water shed.	12/31/2023 2:02 PM
2	Housing costs. A community cannot function if working class people cannot afford to live in it. Harwich will become an ever more expensive retirement resort for rich out-of-towners so long as major steps are not taken to increase residential density/lower housing prices. Additionally, walkable infrastructure is key to preventing density from overwhelming the capacity of our roads.	12/30/2023 2:39 PM
3	Residents, especially those who are not year-round, with little regard to how their actions impact the future health of the community. One new neighbor continued to water their lawn when restrictions were in place. The same neighbor cut down every single tree on their property except for one. While I am concerned about affordable housing, I do not support the proposals, such as the Marceline property, that call for clear cutting large sections of land for new development. There seem to be existing cleared lots that are sitting idle that could be put to good use but the landowners do not wish to develop them for whatever reason. Perhaps better incentives are needed.	12/29/2023 8:27 PM
4	lack of sidewalks/ bikeways new construction with clearing of plants and trees water quality	12/29/2023 3:40 PM
5	There is an increasing trend leaning towards government overreach via its policing/regulatory policy powers on the body of constituents. There is a balance that needs to be struck between commercial enterprise, private property and government goals(public interest) via cooperation through incentives vs strict forced regulation & policing. I feel that the people trying to do the right things are sometimes restricted by the town regulations and varied enforcement of those regulations. This includes restaurants liquor licenses being tied to archaic noise ordinances (Music in bars/restaurants is a cultural enhancement to the business districts within reasonable day/evening hours). This includes peoples residential development of their private properties to better enhance their living space utilization(garages with usable space above, ADUs, private offices, extra family rooms, extra living rooms etc...). The town has awkwardly enforced updated versions of title 5 septic requirements that will eventually be replaced by innovative alternatives or sanitary sewer in less then 20 years. This can be a win win for the town by provide more housing space for people, better use of private land and force the homeowner to upgrade to be ready for sanitary sewer and/or incorporate IA septic systems which can reduce nitrogen levels upwards of 90% during attempted renovations.	12/28/2023 2:59 PM
6	Too much building of large homes and losing land that could be used for affordable housing or hiking trails. Quality of our drinking water and our beaches.	12/28/2023 2:34 PM
7	Loss of surrounding wooded space for the kids to play in to manicured developments with oversized homes that will be occupied for a few weeks a year. Lack of oversight and inspections during construction of developments. Creation of stormwater ponds that breed mosquitos. New developments creating open space that is treeless, fertilized, irrigated, and treated with pesticides. Having a high impact on our aquifer for a few people a few times a year to come and think the manicured look is beautiful.	12/28/2023 12:07 PM
8	I've already stated this.	12/28/2023 11:14 AM
9	Too many young people forced to leave	12/26/2023 11:24 PM
10	Stop building new homes in every piece of land available	12/26/2023 8:22 PM
11	Water	12/26/2023 6:57 PM
12	Traffic congestion and speeding cars and trucks seemingly without any consequences.	12/26/2023 5:47 PM
13	Apathy about the impact of climate change	12/26/2023 4:43 PM
14	Over development	12/26/2023 3:43 PM

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15	Overdevelopment, particularly with multi-million dollar homes	12/26/2023 2:53 PM
16	Over development	12/26/2023 2:23 PM
17	Over rentals	12/26/2023 8:28 AM
18	Affordability	12/26/2023 5:52 AM
19	Overdevelopment by contractors of massive homes that cost multi millions. Maintenance of a top quality school system which provides students multiple opportunities to reach their full potential and future employment.	12/25/2023 10:35 PM
20	Too many trucks and commercial vehicles, including "loud" vehicles. Speed limits should be reduced.	12/25/2023 1:39 PM
21	Unaffordable housing. Too many second homeowners owning properties.	12/25/2023 1:23 PM
22	Pollution/water quality degradation of Nantucket Sound. BOS members are self-serving - they are too politicized and do not have a 'what's best for the community' focus in all of their decisions.	12/25/2023 11:42 AM
23	Really poor historic resource protection. Too much emphasis on sports fields.	12/25/2023 11:41 AM
24	Too much building! Utilize existing buildings	12/25/2023 11:20 AM
25	Speeding, empty houses, constant leaf blowing,	12/25/2023 10:33 AM
26	I'm concerned about how fast people drive on 39 and Queen Anne Rd, especially near the rotary!	12/25/2023 9:44 AM
27	dangerous driving conditions with bully drivers	12/25/2023 7:41 AM
28	general maintenance upkeep, modern equipment .	12/25/2023 6:15 AM
29	The construction of multi-family low income housing and also huge multi-million dollar homes. Instead, build smaller single family affordable homes for people who live and work in Harwich.	12/25/2023 6:02 AM
30	Poorly planned or uncontrolled development threatens its natural resources.	12/22/2023 5:38 PM
31	Over development of large homes. These homes take a large areas of land. What is to become of them if they turn to rental or just summer dwellings?	12/22/2023 5:01 PM
32	Road safety and enforcement!	12/22/2023 4:52 PM
33	Town / conservation letting agriculture lands become dog parks. Killing the cranberry heritage in the name of conservation.	12/22/2023 2:58 PM
34	Pricing out working families.	12/22/2023 12:51 PM
35	Traffic congestion in Harwich Port especially with the new 14 foot bike rule	12/22/2023 9:43 AM
36	I am very concerned about the number of seasonal people who have purchased homes and property in our area recently, and who only live here 2-3 months out of the year. They do not have the same commitment to our town as year-round folks do, and it shows.	12/21/2023 8:59 PM
37	Greater focus on public education of individual methods to aid in water quality protection and local support of actual small plot farms that truly produce products, not resellers masquerading as as a farm in name only. Commercial zoning already provides space for them.	12/21/2023 6:27 PM
38	too many houses being built on every scrap of land	12/21/2023 4:11 PM
39	None	12/21/2023 2:44 PM
40	Main Street in Harwich Port is getting too crowded -- need additional parking, restrict additional development, ban additional retail/apartment complexes like recently built ones	12/21/2023 11:49 AM
41	1. Lack of drinking water and land conservation. 2. Need to control housing development especially for summer only vacation homes, 2nd homes and rentals. Landlords/owners who are not year round residence do not appear to appreciate the need for conservation requirements. Stronger regulations are needed for summer rentals/B & B/etc. Should we even allow them? Rental properties are important for the workforce, especially summer business needs/tourism. Fair pricing rentals for workers/college kids/ etc. need to be addressed. The vision for	12/21/2023 11:26 AM

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Harwich...we need to value the land and water as primary. All decisions need to be based on this. We need to lean towards protecting the environment even if it may cost us some revenue. In the long run we will have a town that folks still want to live in and visit.

42	very high spending by town paid for for part-time residents who don't have a vote in the spending	12/21/2023 10:34 AM
43	High taxes, inflation, low growth, too many restrictions	12/21/2023 10:34 AM
44	Sidewalks on all streets in busy residential areas. Street that are cut through for traffic. Forest, south by golf course, freeman Hoyt Gorham and miles Lots of walkers and cars in summer	12/21/2023 7:40 AM
45	Traffic... over development . Living in East Harwich, concerns about over development!	12/20/2023 11:31 AM
46	The school needs attention. The 500 students is causing a lot to fall through the cracks	12/20/2023 12:30 AM
47	We are quickly becoming a town of senior citizens with no young, working families able to live here.	12/19/2023 10:33 AM
48	preserve Pleasant Bay, why so many moorings allowed now? The volume and speed of cars on Bay Rd is a huge concern. Can no longer safely walk to the beach. The new guardrails make is hard to get out of way of traffic, there is no shoulder space. Alos, too many Eastward developments.	12/18/2023 12:51 PM
49	Overbuilding and zoning. No reason the town can't include cluster zoning laws. The town needs to be fiscally more responsible and make it easier for families and seniors to live here.	12/18/2023 10:15 AM
50	evaporation	12/18/2023 8:27 AM
51	That green space will be eliminated in favor of parking lots and business.	12/17/2023 11:04 PM
52	Excessive tax burden on people on fixed income	12/17/2023 10:27 AM
53	We need strengthened zoning laws.	12/16/2023 8:00 PM
54	The needs of Harwich's working parents and young family's are not being met.	12/16/2023 3:41 PM
55	The building of million dollar homes on postage stamp lots in the water resource district!	12/16/2023 2:13 PM
56	More village signage perhaps? Otherwise, no concerns.	12/16/2023 10:59 AM
57	The availability and cost of housing. There is just not enough housing for young families and the concern is that Harwich will continue to grow as a seasonal rental/living community	12/16/2023 6:00 AM
58	That the streets for the most part are filthy and the people throwing litter out of their cars should be caught and be made pay a \$100.00 "first time fine (\$50.00 added for each and every charge!). People should likewise be rewarded for trying to plant beautiful flower/shrubs and trees along the roadsides of their homes/businesses. We need to "clean up Harwich and maybe even ban butts being publicly disposed of and nip bottles from being sold (town's too damn drunk already).	12/15/2023 9:30 PM
59	Immigrants	12/15/2023 10:01 AM
60	Local sewer projects and lack of recreation offerings for children	12/15/2023 8:37 AM
61	I am concerned about the constant cries for More housing. The Cape can't absorb all the people who want to live here without destroying its character. What we need is better transportation and better paying jobs which would enable people to commute on and off Cape in a timely manner . A boat can only hold so many passengers before it sinks.	12/15/2023 8:01 AM
62	I am concerned about over development. I am also concerned about affordability of living in this small community.	12/15/2023 4:30 AM
63	Lack of sidewalks with narrow winding roads, and speeding cars, the 3BR \$3million homes being built. We need to take care of our younger people and their families who want to stay on the Cape year round, and raise their children here, and not cater to the wealthy people looking for a summer home that they're only gonna use a few months out of the year	12/14/2023 11:20 PM
64	That there will be no young families or working families. The town will turn into pure tourism like the Florida keys.	12/14/2023 10:07 PM
65	There are Not enough jobs that pay a wage that families are able to live on	12/14/2023 9:35 PM

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66	Expansion of sewer plans for Harwich Center (current plans do not extend very far east past Town Hall), Harwich Center needs to be a priority for economic development (Patel family has made great progress!). More mixed use development is needed, traffic calming measures, additional public parking, more density to support walkable villages and local restaurants and businesses. Historic structures need to be valued and preserved. Town-wide I am concerned this survey focuses on only "arts and culture" and not community-building functions and services. Without those, we can build new housing but we'll be a bedroom community where many residents have no connection to each other or a sense of being part of a community. When people have that sense of connectedness, they look out for each other, understand each others needs, and all other problems can be solved working cooperatively together. Finally, one concern I have with this committees discussions and the way this survey is phrased is that "preserve local character" and "small town community feel" are code words that when chosen by respondents will be pointed to by many to say "see, residents want to prevent overdevelopment" or to stop multi-family housing, for ex. Please bear in mind that many respondents wont have selected those choices for those reasons. A small town community feel or character is to me, and many others, a community where you know your neighbors (I.e. density - smaller lots and homes close to the street, walkable neighborhoods with a sense of identity. Please don't interrupt those responses as meaning what the loud voices are going to say they mean.	12/14/2023 7:46 PM
67	I may have to leave if I cannot afford sewer. I've lived here nearly 30 years. I am angry that the town is forcing this sewer hook up on me. I am a single income household trying to hold on. Town is making it harder.	12/14/2023 7:37 PM
68	My main concern is the complete lack of affordable housing. The "not in my back yard" mentality will only destroy Cape Cod. Most of those who are stopping the ideology of affordable housing, probably won't be living on the Cape in the next 10 - 20 years	12/14/2023 7:21 PM
69	Drugs, safety and stable board!	12/14/2023 6:48 PM
70	Lack of sidewalks	12/14/2023 6:32 PM
71	Our biggest issue is affordable housing and keeping families in Harwich	12/14/2023 5:39 PM
72	Crime, pollution, shoreline decay.	12/14/2023 5:26 PM
73	People are more concerned about their property values than the cost of living crisis -- and in general unwilling to make even short-term concessions to reap long-term benefits or to think about the community as well as themselves.	12/14/2023 4:20 PM
74	Overdevelopment of open space, nitrogen loading from lawn fertilizer and ineffective septic systems, large chain stores in place a small local businesses, lack of coastal resiliency preparation, and tolerance of bullies in local government.	12/14/2023 4:03 PM
75	Deep concerns about: over-development, particularly the continued building of large, uber expensive homes. I'd like to know who Eastward Co's has over a barrel to allow them the constant building permits and destruction of wooded lands. Also, the lack of stability in Town gov't positions as people shuffle in and out of important Dept Heads.	12/14/2023 3:47 PM
76	lizards	12/14/2023 2:45 PM
77	It's not affordable to live here, and we are not taking preventative measures to adapt to climate change.	12/14/2023 1:04 PM
78	Not walkable; speed limits not enforced; right of way maintenance is minimal; need leaf collection in neighborhoods; protect wildlife; many vacant structures are deteriorating beyond cost effective rehab, often a result of owners' disputes with local officials	12/14/2023 12:50 PM
79	Better and more affordable housing and more children's services	12/14/2023 12:45 PM
80	over development multi unit housing	12/14/2023 10:49 AM
81	Development of mansions and homes that are not in character with the town culture	12/14/2023 10:08 AM
82	Lack of connected community	12/14/2023 9:58 AM
83	Speeding cars and overcrowding at Red River Beach.	12/14/2023 9:51 AM
84	Too much catering to seniors. Do we really need another Pickleball court?? Focus should be on our youth!	12/14/2023 9:46 AM

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85	I don't want my town to look like like Dennis, better decisions by our very poor Select Board would help.	12/14/2023 9:30 AM
86	The housing growth being only for the wealthy. That there is zero affordable year round housing .	12/14/2023 9:27 AM
87	Overdevelopment of natural areas	12/14/2023 9:26 AM
88	Political dysfunction and lack of transparency in dealing with town residents	12/14/2023 9:19 AM
89	Over development	12/14/2023 9:05 AM
90	A sidewalk is need on Long Pond Rd.	12/14/2023 8:57 AM
91	Disincentivize the use of single family dwellings for short term rentals.	12/14/2023 8:52 AM
92	Properties are too expensive. Single adults and families cannot afford to continue living here. Children need more space and opportunities.	12/14/2023 8:42 AM
93	Disregard for the historic value, character and preservation of captain's Row/west Harwich by town officials.	12/14/2023 8:35 AM
94	Over building, ie large seasonal houses, rather than small 2 & 3 bedroom houses. If the town limited the size of houses, the Title 5 systems would work rather than a sewer system that costs year round population financially.	12/14/2023 8:08 AM
95	The sewer system. People having to pay so much money for hook up for something that may never come to fruition.	12/14/2023 1:11 AM
96	We need sidewalks and monitoring of traffic on Queen Anne Rd	12/13/2023 10:07 PM
97	Lack of side walks, and cross walks, too many giant houses being built on small lots, uncontrolled sign codes- businesses shouldn't be able to use those awful flag signs etc. Lack of affordable housing for work force and families. Youth programming is not easy to sign up for. Often use Chatham rec and drive 15 mins to their programs based on the ease of sign up.	12/13/2023 9:40 PM
98	Lack of sidewalks, lack of residential site plan review to control scale and character of housing in context with neighborhood, too many eastward company style developments, lack of planning board control/ oversight for commercial development to ensure appropriate development to maintain community character, lack of design standards and form based codes, lack of development regulations to limit amount of tree clearing for new development, lack of affordable housing and lack of diversity of housing stock, lack of regulatory controls on short term rentals, and corporate ownership of rentals, lack of enforcement for regs such as sign code and outdoor displays in HPort which help maintain town character, town staff levels need to be adequate to meet regulatory demands, lack of rec facilities in west harwich and east harwich Lack of sidewalk along Rye. 28 from star market to HPort	12/13/2023 9:39 PM
99	Lack of programs for youth, lack of housing for young professionals, lack of indoor gym space for youth, wasted field space behind 204 sisson	12/13/2023 9:06 PM
100	Lack of youth programs, lack of field access, lack of indoor gym access, lack of swim lessons, lack of pool.	12/13/2023 9:04 PM
101	Being a sell out to summer rentals and air bnb	12/13/2023 8:45 PM
102	Serious need for sidewalks and to much building new developments	12/13/2023 7:54 PM
103	Traffic. Cars fly by the bus stops in the morning and afternoon. I have seen cars and motorcycles pass buses on the left side while stopped. It is bad on route 124.	12/13/2023 6:42 PM
104	I'm concerned the affordable housing is NOT AFFORDABLE. Stop ripping down trees and pristine land to make dumps for scum to come live in that will milk off all of the wonderful services we have here for CAPE COD FAMILIES. These people are coming from Who knows where and sucking our resources dry. But why not move move to a resort area when you get housing vouchers, food, clothes, services, transport for FREE. I'm a local HARDWORKING person, so are all of my native family members. It makes me sick to see all these losers come into this town and contribute NOTHING, and get EVERYTHING for free. Make a lottery for long term residents ONLY to be allowed these affordable options. Create an escrow building system Like Chatham does with the MCI houses. But do it for LOCALS. Stop making it so easy to import all these people who have nothing to give back. Go somewhere else. Sorry I sound	12/13/2023 5:24 PM

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nasty, but my native kids deserve a future here. Not some scum that leaches off everything. Stop making it so easy for these people to come here. And stop these millionaires from building obnoxious houses they don't even live in. Stupid! Make some limits and boundaries to stop this development. Stop them from Poisoning our water with fertilizer and stop them from destroying our community. Hmph.. i could go on!! Thanks for listening

105	Over development of 2 million dollar houses	12/13/2023 5:12 PM
106	Increasing second home population, increasing senior population, decreasing young families and young children. Cost of living (not just home / rental) is exorbitant. My children will likely have to move away to find a job that pays their bills.	12/13/2023 5:07 PM
107	I am concerned that the town puts so many restrictions on existing homes that working families cannot make homes better suited to their needs housing developers can clear cut forests and build any kind of multimillion dollar property they want. The town needs to prioritize year round working families if it doesn't want to turn into a summer community that is completely vacant in the winter months with no economy to support itself.	12/13/2023 4:55 PM
108	It's becoming another strictly vacation spot only for the wealthy	12/13/2023 4:43 PM
109	In law restrictions becoming too strict	12/13/2023 4:01 PM
110	Businesses that don't fit the small town feel. Housing for year round residents. Other benefits for year round residents. Maintenance of dirt roads. Overcrowding and traffic.	12/13/2023 3:29 PM
111	Over building and encouraging low income families from off cape to move here when they can not afford to live here. The people that live here make it work. If you can't afford to live here we shouldn't have to support you living somewhere where you can't afford and are not working or contributing to the community. It takes up valuable resources that families whom have lived here for generations	12/13/2023 3:03 PM
112	I currently live in North Harwich off of Main Street Harwich Center; I have a huge problem with the speeding around the curves in front of my home. In the years since I've lived here (2019) there have been 2 accidents. 1 which led to the death of an older gentleman. I need more patrols and ticketing or a couple speed bumps placed to control the speed.	12/13/2023 2:54 PM
113	over building leading to degradation of what makes the cape and harwich special-water supply and for recreation, destruction of open space and habitat	12/13/2023 1:21 PM
114	Infrastructure. Streets are in poor condition, drainage is awful. Lack of lighting in year round neighborhoods	12/13/2023 1:09 PM
115	It seems like there is considerable turnover in Harwich government offices. Is there a reason for this? Is it something that needs to be addressed?	12/13/2023 11:28 AM
116	The lack of community programming and focus on young families.	12/13/2023 11:13 AM
117	Continuation of housing being built for the wealthy and ultra wealthy who don't spend the time here. It drives locals and people who want to live in Harwich year round away. The size and price of houses currently being built is astronomical and not sustainable for locals who grew up here and want to continue to live here	12/13/2023 11:07 AM
118	Overdevelopment. We have pushed so many people off cape. We have become a tourist /resort area. So many families can't afford to live here or are barely scraping by	12/13/2023 10:40 AM
119	Cost of living and housing for local working families.	12/13/2023 9:58 AM
120	Harwich Center is an eyesore.	12/13/2023 9:52 AM
121	Waiting list system doesn't work for Saq. It just encourages people WITHOUT BOATS to put names on waiting list for next generation. Need to think outside the box. All year long residents should have preference. The purpose of the waiting list should not be to generate income. - fishing the beaches, hunting the woods and marshes are also longstanding traditions on the cape and should be respected, if not encouraged. We do not need more walking trails in the woods on the cape. There are plenty. -Having workers drive from off cape consumes way too much fuel every day. Putting a solar panel on the roof isn't going to offset that.	12/13/2023 7:53 AM
122	Overdevelopment which destroys the unique characteristics of the town.	12/12/2023 11:22 PM
123	Traffic, speeding, parking	12/12/2023 7:11 PM

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124	young families are being pushed out. There are only resources for seniors	12/12/2023 5:52 PM
125	Overpopulation and too much development particularly the building of expensive homes when so many are under housed or homeless.	12/12/2023 1:43 PM
126	The building of large homes with lawns (especially near delicate ponds) and that homes that were previously owned by committed community members are now rarely lived in.	12/12/2023 8:07 AM
127	(Seasonal)Traffic light at Uncle Venies and Rt 28! Dangerous..	12/12/2023 8:04 AM
128	Too many of the homes are seasonal. Would love more year round neighbors	12/12/2023 6:29 AM
129	Loss of open space and degradation of fresh water ponds and streams.	12/12/2023 12:58 AM
130	I am concerned for the economic vitality of Harwich Port and Harwich Center.	12/11/2023 2:29 PM
131	Water quality of ponds and the causes of this deterioration. This includes lawn care and destruction of natural plants and vegetation in order to grow a lawn with grass. Overdevelopment and population density in a fragile environment.	12/11/2023 2:05 PM
132	New home owners cutting down trees, putting in lawns requiring water, fertilizers and pesticides, adding outdoor lights which are left on all night. Dirt bikes tearing up conservation land.	12/11/2023 12:21 PM
133	Over commercialization.	12/11/2023 11:43 AM
134	Summer safety, dangerous driving and speeding. Bike use on streets, dangerous and riders should be required to wear helmets and not use headphones. Short term summer rentals-drunk visitors, loud late night parties. Early morning trash pick-ups from business, not following noise ordinances	12/11/2023 11:37 AM
135	Uncontrolled growth and pollution concerns.	12/11/2023 9:20 AM
136	Keep woke politics out of the schools and town. Protect our children and parents. This isn't a place for high density or low income housing on a large scale. This could continue to be a great place for not only seniors to retire, but young families to come and raise their children. We need more services for them.	12/11/2023 6:36 AM
137	Lack of sidewalks on Route 28 between Dairy Queen and West Harwich	12/10/2023 8:53 PM
138	Affordable housing for working families.	12/10/2023 8:46 PM
139	Continue to build up the village approach. Also I liked 3 Harbors one town but it dwindled.	12/10/2023 4:56 PM
140	Adding sidewalks from Saquatucket to Harwich Port and keeping Rt 28 speeds down.	12/10/2023 4:51 PM
141	Short term rentals	12/10/2023 2:44 PM
142	we need to stay away for far left woke practices in the schools and town.	12/10/2023 6:34 AM
143	Habitats for the animals, bees, birds, etc. Water quality. Drugs (specifically the opioid epidemic).	12/9/2023 11:58 PM
144	Too much new development of high end neighborhoods in East Harwich. How did this happen?	12/9/2023 10:25 PM
145	Lack of affordable housing! Need to preserve our water sources.	12/9/2023 9:48 PM
146	During the pandemic Harwich was sold out to absentee, out of town investors trying to profit with Air B&B's. The result was middle class people (nurses, teachers, police, firefighters can no longer afford housing. The problem is not low income housing but middle class housing! This needs to stop. There should be a minimum of 5 days for short term rentals. My neighborhood has turned into 2 day frat parties for out of towners.	12/9/2023 5:58 PM
147	I would like to see sewers extended into my neighborhood in a timely manner.	12/9/2023 3:03 PM
148	Mega mansions, not preserving the public access to waterways,	12/9/2023 2:17 PM
149	Low income housing that is not situated appropriately in the community	12/9/2023 11:56 AM
150	Too much development & commercial growth in E Harwich. Need more speed indicator signs on Rte 39 & PBay Rd	12/8/2023 4:28 PM
151	Too many large, expensive new home developments.	12/8/2023 3:42 PM

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152	Water quality, Traffic, trucks, trash, speeding	12/8/2023 9:47 AM
153	Unsafe speed & usage Rte 39 by construction trucks. Very narrow, unsafe road shoulders for non-vehicular transportation. The loss of natural predators due to loss of safe habitat. AND not arresting & fining those who set off firecrackers from their home (i.e. Skipper Shay) that land in dry wooded areas and near or on neighboring private property (i.e. Glenwood Drive.).	12/8/2023 9:42 AM
154	See above	12/8/2023 9:05 AM
155	Overdevelopment, traffic and development that doesn't take into consideration the natural environment or natural resource protection	12/8/2023 7:57 AM
156	Fix the Queen Anne Road problem. More and more people now realize it's the quickest route to Chatham - take old exit, not 11, then follow Queen Anne to Chatham. I suggest traffic lights on Oak St. and John Joseph. Could cut both speed & traffic volumes	12/8/2023 12:22 AM
157	Monitor ADU's and abide by Town regulations.	12/7/2023 11:10 PM
158	Inability of middle income families to afford to live and work in harwich.	12/7/2023 10:48 PM
159	Overdevelopment, challenges to the value of zoning, folks living in the woods, traffic, high auto and truck speeds, and bikers at night without reflective gear for protection	12/7/2023 10:18 PM
160	Lack of sewers, lack of cooperation between towns to install sewers	12/7/2023 9:15 PM
161	Main Street Harwich Port has seen a positive growth in foot traffic and restaurant business over the past 5 years. The town needs to recognize that there is a limit as to what the area can support. Preserving green space, especially in Harwich Port is needed. Improving sidewalk and lighting through Main Street and on either side of the downtown areas is also needed.	12/7/2023 8:59 PM
162	Being taken over by short term rentals. Minimum rental period should be one week in season.	12/7/2023 8:04 PM
163	less teamwork in government activities	12/7/2023 7:06 PM
164	Over building in the community. Preserve open space.	12/7/2023 6:39 PM
165	Toooooo much build out!!!	12/7/2023 6:38 PM
166	That when the service sector people(restaurants, grocery stores, gas stations..etc) can no longer afford to live here because of high housing and rental costs, the town will no longer be what it is today, but will become a place where lots of essential businesses will close, tu ning the town into a place where people do not want to live	12/7/2023 6:28 PM
167	Concerns about traffic congestion in North Harwich if the 200+ units are developed on Queen Anne/Main St.	12/7/2023 6:25 PM
168	I worry about the quality of water of Harwich's many beautiful ponds and waterways, the impact climate change will have on the community and the almost obscene increases in the price of housing. I am a lifelong part-time resident of the Cape. I contemplate moving to the Cape in retirement but I have grave concerns about spending more money that I should on housing only to find twenty years down the road my investment has decreased substantially because of the impacts of climate change. Although, no one seems too worried about that these days.	12/7/2023 6:14 PM
169	Light pollution. Our kids won't know what a dark sky is if we keep building up and not taking into account the light pollution.	12/7/2023 4:23 PM
170	Lack of housing opportunities driving out young people families. The amount of homes that are only used in the summer, preventing locals from finding housing, are a concern as well	12/7/2023 4:22 PM
171	Traffic is too fast and reckless.	12/7/2023 4:11 PM
172	climate change	12/7/2023 4:09 PM
173	The largest concern is the building of new single-family homes that destroy the natural habitat. Case in point - homeowners have clear-cut their property while "conforming" to local zoning laws.	12/7/2023 3:15 PM
174	Speeding on Queen Anne/Old Queen Anne (Chatham side); LITTER - every time I arrive at my house I have to go out and pick up cigarette butts, alcohol cans/bottles of all shapes and sizes, and debris blown from nearby developers who have cut down hundreds of trees : (12/7/2023 2:54 PM

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175	Lack of infrastructure funding for water quality, sewer and sidewalks	12/7/2023 2:46 PM
176	I worry about rampant development of huge expensive houses. I worry about keeping our water clean. I worry about losing the natural beauty and small-town feel.	12/7/2023 2:35 PM
177	The school and town over rotating and adopting too many woke ideals.	12/7/2023 1:23 PM
178	Housing density has really happened in North Harwich. We used to be farm based with lots of woods. I would like to see less building,with the exception of low income housing.	12/7/2023 1:06 PM
179	Harwich is a very good place to live in.	12/7/2023 12:44 PM
180	affordable housing for workers	12/7/2023 12:43 PM
181	The potential negative impact of the Cold Brook Conservation Project on the quality and water level of Grass Pond.	12/7/2023 12:37 PM
182	Overdevelopment. Noise issues and more traffic. 3 monkeys is a good example of how business can come in and transform the character of the town from traditional cape to the jersey shore reality show.	12/7/2023 12:07 PM
183	water quality and affordable housing	12/7/2023 11:56 AM
184	end the 200 foot commercial strip on route 28. We need to protect the village residential housing on route 28.	12/7/2023 11:52 AM
185	The East Harwich village area has been stagnant for many years. The village plan that was drafted a dozen years ago was overly ambitious and never approved/implemented. A realistic plan with measurable and attainable goals needs to be developed and implemented.	12/7/2023 11:49 AM
186	4 way stops along Lower County Road	12/7/2023 11:31 AM
187	Summer time traffic control at intersection of Main Street and Rte. 124. Install a traffic light.	12/7/2023 11:20 AM
188	We are not improving our municiple infrastructure to promote energy efficiency, no EV charging stations and none planned, no roundabouts even thought of or planned, complete lack of forward thinking	12/7/2023 11:06 AM
189	Over-development. Loss of the reasons we live here as permanent resident : woodlands, ponds, and seashore.	12/7/2023 10:55 AM
190	Look and feel of the villages need to be substantially improved. Its feels to ad-hoc regarding sidewalk appeal and zoning. Large gas/repair station and Cumberland Farms don't belong in Harwich Port Center.	12/7/2023 10:48 AM
191	More street lights...sewer extension	12/7/2023 10:48 AM
192	Residential encroachment on current natural environments.	12/7/2023 10:44 AM
193	Over development of space in the Harwich villages. Affordable housing. Water quality. Pollution runoff to streams an ocean.	12/7/2023 10:44 AM
194	sewer system required	12/7/2023 10:23 AM
195	Continued crowding/subivision. year round jobs, enough kids to attend the high school. degradation of environment	12/7/2023 10:22 AM
196	traffic congestion on certain streets is high (Bank St), including traffic by BIG TRUCKS	12/7/2023 10:22 AM
197	Please do not let any chain establishments enter downtown in Harwich Center or Harwich Port. Traffic	12/7/2023 10:13 AM
198	The amount of loud polluting heavy truck traffic on great western road	12/7/2023 9:57 AM
199	The fast track of all the cars and people needs to be slowed down. A car is needed to get to most things.	12/7/2023 9:49 AM
200	As a low-income senior without a car, I am concerned about the lack of adequate public transportation & walking spaces. I am also concerned about the lack of responsiveness of town government & the (often) disregard for the opinions & input of town residents.	12/7/2023 9:48 AM
201	I absolutely love where I live. If there is one major concern of mine it would be as follows. The	12/7/2023 9:48 AM

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	need to be able to walk and ride a bike to stores, restaurants and elsewhere without placing my life in danger due to speeding and reckless drivers on the road today. Especially in season when the city people are here. With the increase of electric bikes more people want to use these as a better means of transportation, but feel that the only safe place to ride are on the bike trails. Though these trails are wonderful for recreational walking/biking they don't make the places that are needed to get to any more accessible. More traffic patrol personnel, and more bikeways along main roads are needed.	
202	The lack of affordable housing for families and year-round workers. Too many coastal properties sit vacant for most of the year while people cannot find places to live.	12/7/2023 9:47 AM
203	I worry that allowing ADUs will result in more traffic and street parking in small neighborhoods such as cul-de-sacs.	12/7/2023 9:43 AM
204	Expanded growth without strong control on the size, massing and height of development.	12/7/2023 9:42 AM
205	Two unrelated things. Speeding cars and reckless driving on back roads Climate change and water quality.	12/7/2023 9:33 AM
206	That if I need to leave my house, I will have to move to another town because there are not enough options for single older person independent living with options as needed.	12/7/2023 9:27 AM
207	At some point, Harwich is going to have replace residential septic systems with town wide sewer. That is going to be an extremely complicated and costly process but it needs to be done.	12/7/2023 9:26 AM
208	The rapid growth of business in Harwich Port in the last few years has negatively impacted us with noise disturbances, increased demands on parking, and traffic/safety issues. As this village has a large summer-only population, it sometimes feels as though the Town forgets us.	12/7/2023 9:05 AM
209	The Town approves building homes that do not meet setback requirements if the previous building was non-conforming. The size of new buildings in old neighborhoods is ridiculous. You had no questions about this. I don't know or other should have been an option in every question including the ranked ones. Maybe you should have asked what the questioner wants or needs. I don't have a lot of insight in the needs and demographics of the full time residents.	12/7/2023 9:03 AM
210	Sidewalks along 28 East and west of Uncle Venie's Rd for people walking to Red River Beach. Those sidewalks could reduce pressure on beach parking.	12/7/2023 8:52 AM
211	Loss of working people and families. Excessive wealth effect.	12/7/2023 8:51 AM
212	Traffic, infrastructure not keeping pace with growth and potential magnitude of individual homeowner cost for wastewater resolution which will drive many homeowners from the area and/or have a negative impact on home values and therefore Town revenue.	12/7/2023 8:49 AM
213	Year round resources must be a priority to keep up with the droves of visitors that beat down the environment	12/7/2023 8:31 AM
214	Moderate to low income people are having a hard time finding affordable housing.	12/7/2023 8:28 AM
215	the intersection of Uncle Venies Road and Route 28--one of the most dangerous in town--it needs a traffic light or stop sign	12/7/2023 8:26 AM
216	Traffic safety	12/7/2023 8:22 AM
217	Overdevelopment, lack of quality healthcare, concern for our beaches (protection of).	12/7/2023 7:42 AM
218	Developers over developing the land for the homes that push out families the need affordable housing.	12/7/2023 7:38 AM
219	Need for more bike/walking paths to link with the existing trails.	12/7/2023 7:37 AM
220	Our selectmen have kicked the can down the road long enough. We knew we needed sewers back in the 1970s. It's time to grow up, make some hard choices, and get the system installed and to stop passing it on to homeowners with "temporary" Title V systems. All properties have grossly appreciated in value. Attach a lien, install the sewer system, and pay for it as these properties turn over which they will as generations rotate. Title V does not stop pharmaceutical waste or chemicals from day-to-day household use.	12/7/2023 7:31 AM
221	Over development -especially clear cutting lots	12/7/2023 7:22 AM

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222	Over-development, not protecting natural resource's.	12/7/2023 7:04 AM
223	Increased vandalism, lack of police logs. Inability to walk or ride a bicycle on Chatham Road.	12/7/2023 7:03 AM
224	The continued construction of housing that is turning several villages into "Hampton" like communities.	12/7/2023 6:53 AM
225	Pleasant Bay road needs speed tables!!! Children do not have a chance walking near that road....	12/7/2023 6:51 AM
226	over development	12/7/2023 6:43 AM
227	To much growth	12/7/2023 6:24 AM
228	Over-reaching by town administrators	12/7/2023 6:18 AM
229	Governing bodies seemingly currently not believing or caring per above and statement and moving as fast as humanly possible to mitigate probable climate change damage and housing needs. Clean energy must become a reality or our lives will be radically changed forever and future generations.	12/7/2023 6:08 AM
230	I am concerned about the pollution of the Herring River, the Cyanobacteria in the Bells Neck Reservoir and the fact that sewer will not come fast enough to fix/mitigate that- we need additional tools and alternatives for water pollution and nitrogen mitigation and need to consider piloting that technology like Falmouth is.	12/7/2023 12:10 AM
231	Too much development and increase in traffic	12/6/2023 11:33 PM
232	Expansive over-reach of the select-board's involvement in and rejection the recommendations of duly appointed, volunteer advisory boards; and too many, noisy, public and/or proprietary landscape maintenance activities using too many gas-powered tools, chemicals & water	12/6/2023 10:41 PM
233	The housing prices just continuing to go up. Soon you won't have any of us nurses left to take care of all the seniors due to the cost of living here.	12/6/2023 8:33 PM
234	Too much development. It's got to stop! Clear cutting all the trees has got to stop! Where are the smaller, more affordable homes? Why are there only 2-3 million ones being built? No more mansions! You are forcing long time residents out by allowing these practices. Start being concerned about the people who live here and are struggling with higher taxes, insurance etc. Give a tax break to residents as other towns are doing. Help us out!	12/6/2023 8:21 PM
235	The building of developments such as Eastwards projects that strip land and build large ugly homes for a few wealth individuals. If I wanted a Chatham environment I would have purchased a home there.	12/6/2023 7:53 PM
236	Over development Too many multimillion dollar homes that our townspeople cannot afford	12/6/2023 7:24 PM
237	Concerns for East Harwich include over development, wildlife conservation, new road development and clear cutting of vegetation, lack of public parks and safe social areas.	12/6/2023 6:50 PM
238	None.	12/6/2023 6:00 PM
239	Hold on to their village charm. New builds should fit the Cape Cod historic look WITHOUT being beholding to the CC Commission.	12/6/2023 5:39 PM
240	The roads need to be kept up, the beaches clean. The political climate needs to be kinder to the towns people. They need to remember they work for us as do all the employees.	12/6/2023 5:28 PM
241	overdevelopment	12/6/2023 4:44 PM
242	Homelessness. Deteriorating housing. Too expensive for families.	12/6/2023 4:14 PM
243	We have destroyed the local land based economy and we believe the real-estate economy can continue without devastating consequences to the land and it's people	12/6/2023 4:05 PM
244	Too many weekly rental properties	12/6/2023 4:03 PM
245	overdevelopment, loss of trees, homes purchased for air b&b	12/6/2023 3:03 PM
246	Short-term rentals have upended the housing market, pricing young families and working people out. This has knock-on effects on the local labor market. Zoning and NIMBYism seem to have made it impossible for developers to offer multi-unit housing at density levels allowing	12/6/2023 2:43 PM

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working people to live here. Harwich has a golf course, a great library, a cultural center, a community center, tennis courts, a gym with showers, beaches galore, a bike path --there are so many recreational opportunities here OWNED BY THE TOWN, and yet local government seems unable to offer affordable housing opportunities. Why is that? If the housing crisis isn't effectively addressed, employers here, including the town, will be unable to attract well-qualified workers. The recreational and educational facilities will languish without proper staffing. Policing here is excellent, IMHO, except for traffic control. As for transportation, I don't envy Yarmouth and Dennis much, but it would be nice to have sidewalks and bike lanes that took into account something besides recreation and tourism.

247	Queen Anne multi unit housing projects, traffic issues and loss of open space for wildlife. 40b units being filled by sec 8 recipients from out of town that are on the state waiting lists and unable to contribute to the town economy because they will lose their benefits.	12/6/2023 2:43 PM
248	Drinkable, pure water with a water treatment plant that addresses chemical and PFAS contaminants as well as water conservation by more trees, fewer lawns, and no fake green lawncare polluters dumping chemicals on lawns.	12/6/2023 2:36 PM
249	Overdevelopment of alcoholic establishments in Harwichport. Lack of solid businesses that provide solid jobs. Empty commercial facilities along Route 28.	12/6/2023 2:24 PM
250	Over development.	12/6/2023 2:04 PM
251	affordable housing	12/6/2023 1:59 PM
252	Over development and lack of town leadership - newcomers cannot follow what is happening (many issues) due to all the in house disputes.	12/6/2023 1:52 PM
253	My closest village, East Harwich intersection of Rt 137 and Rt 39, has potential for workforce housing and mixed use development. Concern is the currently available large tracts of land (former car dealership & nearby vacant lots) are being converted into non-mixed use purposes.	12/6/2023 1:50 PM
254	Affordable housing for young families and workers. Clean water and energy	12/6/2023 1:39 PM
255	affordability	12/6/2023 1:30 PM
256	parking & unsafe traffic on local streets	12/6/2023 1:10 PM
257	Accelerate the water / sewer infrastructure improvements.	12/6/2023 1:10 PM
258	That too many houses are used just part time or rented just for tourists so that there is no feeling of community on a year-round basis.	12/6/2023 12:36 PM
259	Lack of affordable housing for families	12/6/2023 12:29 PM
260	Curtail the dormitory style takeover of old hotels for seasonal workers	12/6/2023 12:27 PM
261	Septic systems are a black hole. We are absurdly cheap when considering education for our kids. The lack of affordable housing will be the undoing of the Cape.	12/6/2023 12:17 PM
262	Growing too big. Knocking down older smaller homes to build huge homes which effect environment	12/6/2023 12:16 PM
263	Not enough for kids to do outside or space available inside.	12/6/2023 12:07 PM
264	Our unsustainable obsession with lawn turf. I would like lawn irrigation to be banned and everyone encouraged to grow a cape cod lawn for the benefit of the biosphere.	12/5/2023 5:45 PM
265	Housing built on old zoning codes allowing for structures that do not coincide with coastal, rural community feel.	12/5/2023 4:06 PM
266	Wooded lots are being clear cut for subdivisions that create more road run-off impacts to water quality and increase municipal service expenses, which impacts the tax rate. Meanwhile, the increase in the number of unregulated short term rentals is contributing to the affordable housing challenge.	12/5/2023 3:34 PM
267	1) Overdevelopment of upscale 2nd home communities I N East Harwich. 2) total disregard for speed limits which is making our roads dangerous, 3)incorporate limits on size of commercial vehicles using side roads as throughways (Pleasant Bay Rd comes to mind. We have oversized trucks speeding along what is a curving residential road well over speed limit. They should be getting off Rt 6 and traveling along the much wider, and straighter, Rt. 137	12/5/2023 10:31 AM

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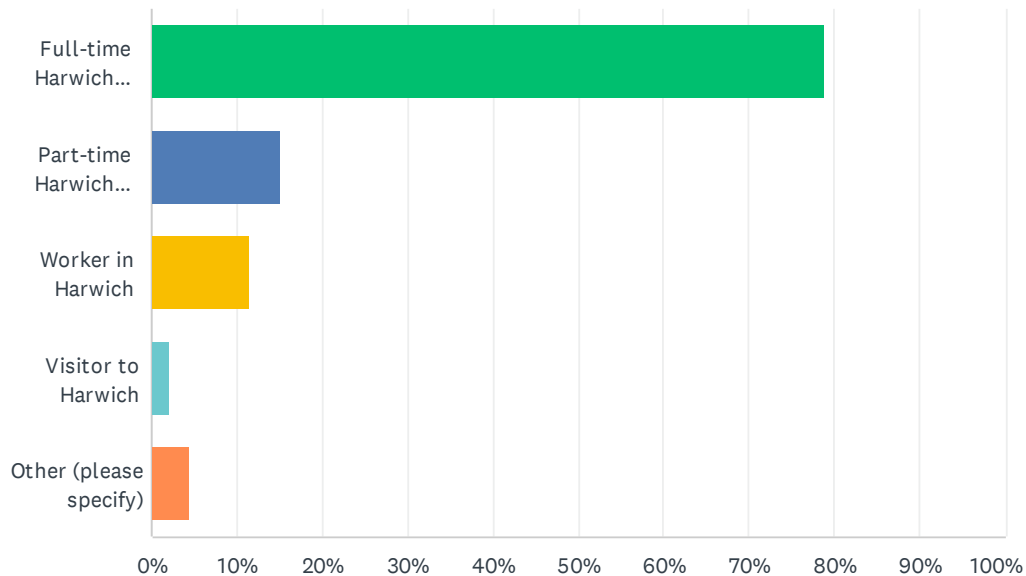
268	I am close to Nantucket Sound so I worry about global warming impacts on our village. I also worry that many charming houses will be torn down to be replaced by uninteresting larger houses.	12/5/2023 7:28 AM
269	Cost of single- family homes and condo units are unaffordable for most year- round residents.	12/4/2023 2:00 PM
270	Sewers, clean water, runway development, big companies building big houses that are completely unaffordable to local families. Housing for local workers like TEACHERS! If teachers/nurses cannot afford housing we are going to be in BUG TROUBLE!!!	12/3/2023 9:16 AM
271	Public transportation has limited hours and too many pricey Macmansions	12/3/2023 6:58 AM
272	Too many new McMansions, unaffordable for most, and occupied just a few months of the year. We need more single story patio-type homes (eg The Pinehills) for Harwich residents who would like to downsize while remaining in the community.	12/2/2023 2:51 PM
273	I know housing is a top priority, but I really don't like the idea of apartment complexes. I would like less muli -million dollar second a third homeowners and a focus on young families who would like to make roots in our town.	12/2/2023 10:22 AM
274	Continued destruction of the natural environment to build suburban style homes for wealthy second home owners.	12/1/2023 11:24 AM
275	Speeding and reckless driving which worsens as time passes.	11/30/2023 11:51 PM
276	transportation for elderly - long and winding roads	11/30/2023 1:14 PM
277	Year rounders slower traffic young families	11/29/2023 11:02 PM
278	Maintaining what we have	11/28/2023 9:30 PM
279	Too much building. Too many short term rentals, which is contributing to home insecurity. Need more oversight and restrictions for short term rentals. Such as limiting number of people they rent to. Noise restrictions. It would is out of hand. Also need more side walks and bike lanes. A lot if these roads are very dangerous to walk or ride a bike on	11/28/2023 2:59 PM
280	More safety concerns than anything. Traffic, speeding, and people walking the streets.	11/28/2023 9:49 AM
281	Young people and adults leaving the Cape because it isn't affordable. I fear that we may have gone past the point that we can fix the housing crisis. And it IS a crisis. The fragility of the Cape's water supply is also concerning.	11/28/2023 8:51 AM
282	Neighborhood empties out in the fall. Too many houses remain unused for a majority of the year.	11/28/2023 8:45 AM
283	Development of mega mansions and second homes	11/28/2023 8:08 AM
284	Never consider taking any property through eminent domain or easement. Good hard working people have purchased maintained this property. Do not allow trespassing	11/28/2023 2:05 AM
285	Over development and loss of green space. McMansions replacing smaller dwellings.	11/27/2023 11:08 PM
286	Over development. Expensive 2nd summer homes. Short term rentals, BNB	11/27/2023 8:43 PM
287	Nimbyism. Lack of vision from elected leaders with respect to year round community needs, including housing, jobs and schools.	11/27/2023 7:23 PM
288	I love Harwich	11/27/2023 4:50 PM
289	In east harwich-overdevelopment. Expensive houses popping up on every available 1acre lot. Needs to stop.	11/27/2023 4:41 PM
290	\$1M homes on giant lots where all tree cover has been removed. Lack of sidewalks on Rt 124 where people walk and ride bikes with all the summer traffic. No more real estate companies taking up retail space! Have a per capita restriction on them or redefine "retail"	11/27/2023 2:28 PM
291	The construction on 288 units of "affordable housing" being proposed. How to mitigate traffic at 124 intersection/lights especially since more "affordable" Housing is being proposed for Marceline property right on route 124. Will this housing actually be affordable or just a couple hundred off rack rate of monthly rent? Will there even be enough outdoor/green space for people and children with the 12 buildings proposed? Too much congestion, not enough room.	11/27/2023 1:15 PM

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292	West Harwich corridor needs to be improved but the dcpc does t seem to be the route to fixing it.	11/27/2023 12:58 PM
293	poor management by an inept board of selectmen. they follow big money, not disruptive solutions for the betterment of the community	11/27/2023 12:28 PM
294	We live in a lovely area built in the 1980's. The developer incorporated green spaces which are lovely and full of wildlife. However, the traffic entering and exiting the Headwaters area is always a challenge especially on summer weekends. Limiting the speed on route 124 would be very helpful as 45 mph is was too fast as cars approach the entry to route 6 east and west.	11/27/2023 11:56 AM
295	Too many Eastward giant homes in East Harwich. No one builds 1500 sq ft houses anymore.	11/27/2023 11:43 AM
296	way too many large trucks, jake breaks etc... Harwich center area, Queen Anne rd specifically	11/27/2023 11:05 AM
297	Taking private property through eminent domain or easement should never be considered as a reasonable or logical means of making anything better or improvement.	11/27/2023 10:59 AM
298	East Harwich should have some zoning incentives for mixed use. As commercial grows, we should encourage apartments as part of that growth.	11/27/2023 10:11 AM
299	Need sidewalks from Queen Anne Rd to Harwich Center. Also, need sidewalks and bike lane on Queen Anne from intersection of 124 to Bike Trail	11/27/2023 9:46 AM
300	Way too much traffic on roads. No concern for local residents. Too much emphasis on businesses. Getting too noisy.	11/27/2023 9:43 AM
301	Too much traffic	11/27/2023 9:30 AM
302	The fact that this survey 'assumes' that everyone agrees with the leading statements. Try adding "I disagree with the premise" next time you do a survey.	11/27/2023 8:30 AM
303	None	11/27/2023 7:20 AM
304	We are too worries about 'preserving' what a harwich WAS and aren't focusing on what we will. Red in the future. We're pricing out our workforce and small businesses and even town departments can't find staff because no one can afford to live here. ADUs alone won't solve that problem. We must increase density and create quality rental properties!	11/27/2023 7:00 AM
305	Losing its cape cod character. Honestly feels like living in the suburbs now.	11/26/2023 11:38 PM
306	As I grow older, I hope I can afford to live in Harwich	11/26/2023 10:10 PM
307	Loss of families year round due to cost of housing	11/26/2023 10:08 PM
308	Road maintenance	11/26/2023 10:04 PM
309	That in our haste to build affordable housing, we loose sight of the quaint community feel and go for the dense overpopulated tenement style of housing .	11/26/2023 9:55 PM
310	Seems like lots of BIG houses are going up on small lots.	11/26/2023 9:20 PM
311	The older homes in West Harwich are being allowed to fall down. Captains Row should be a neighborhood comparable to Historic South Deerfield., Massachusetts.	11/26/2023 9:08 PM
312	Stop letting developers like Bill Marsh put \$2M homes on every available parcel of land.	11/26/2023 9:05 PM
313	I am strongly supportive of an aggressive move on behalf of the town to limit clear cutting during lot development. I'd also like to see larger structures like the West Harwich Baptist Church put to good use for the community. (get those apartments when you can in the existing buildings we have!)	11/26/2023 8:24 PM

Q26 Please check all that apply. Are you a ..?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Full-time Harwich Resident	78.86%	414
Part-time Harwich Resident	15.24%	80
Worker in Harwich	11.43%	60
Visitor to Harwich	2.10%	11
Other (please specify)	4.38%	23
Total Respondents: 525		

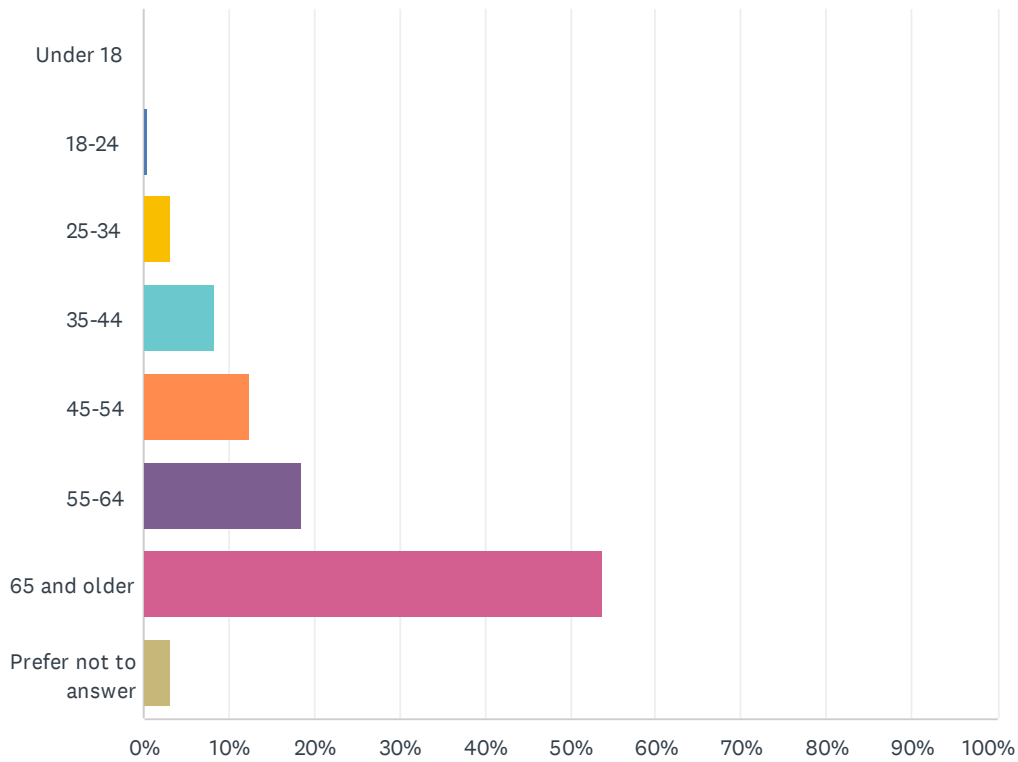
#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Rent in West Dennis	12/25/2023 1:24 PM
2	Pat-time Harwich resident but plan to move to the area permanently.	12/22/2023 5:03 PM
3	life long resident, business owner	12/21/2023 6:29 PM
4	Retired	12/21/2023 2:45 PM
5	Retired tradesperson whose lived in Harwich for 35+ years	12/14/2023 7:22 PM
6	I have lived in harwich all of my 45 years on earth- other than time away at college.	12/13/2023 9:41 PM
7	Cape Cod Native of many generations	12/13/2023 5:25 PM
8	I spend an enormous amount of time in Harwich and have a home in Dennis	12/8/2023 9:14 PM
9	neighboring town	12/8/2023 3:06 PM
10	Eight months Harwich, four months Florida	12/8/2023 12:25 AM
11	We live in South Orleans and frequently shop in and enjoy Harwich.	12/7/2023 12:43 PM

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12	Have place in abutting town.	12/7/2023 12:08 PM
13	Retired in 2023. Volunteering at COA with food delivery	12/7/2023 11:22 AM
14	Former resident	12/7/2023 11:17 AM
15	Chatham resident and homeowner	12/7/2023 10:06 AM
16	Currently 6 month resident, soon to be full time.	12/7/2023 9:07 AM
17	Live near Harwich	12/7/2023 8:32 AM
18	Part time meaning we are up every other weekend, besides other days during the month. And full time summer residence	12/7/2023 6:52 AM
19	Retiree	12/6/2023 5:39 PM
20	small business owner	12/6/2023 4:32 PM
21	self employed educator/ independent contractor	12/6/2023 1:54 PM
22	Buisness owner in Harwich	12/6/2023 1:19 PM
23	Born and raised Harwich resident who is now retired	12/2/2023 10:23 AM

Q27 Which category best describes your age?

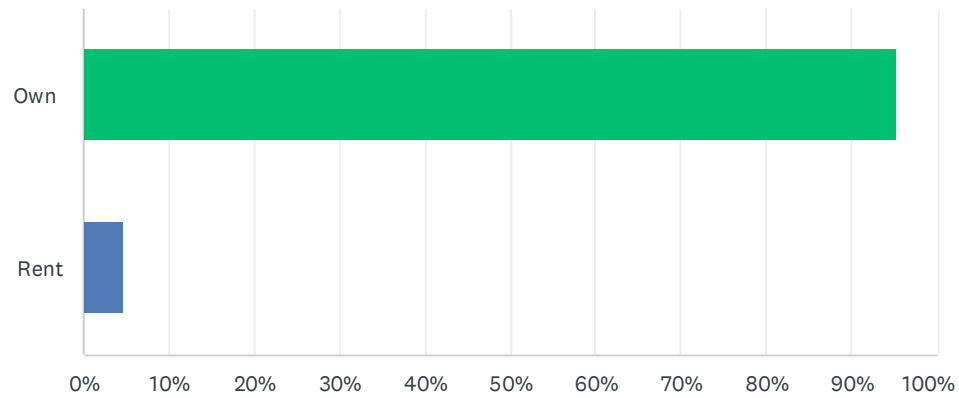
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 18	0.00%	0
18-24	0.38%	2
25-34	3.23%	17
35-44	8.37%	44
45-54	12.36%	65
55-64	18.63%	98
65 and older	53.80%	283
Prefer not to answer	3.23%	17
TOTAL		526

Q28 Do you own or rent your residence?

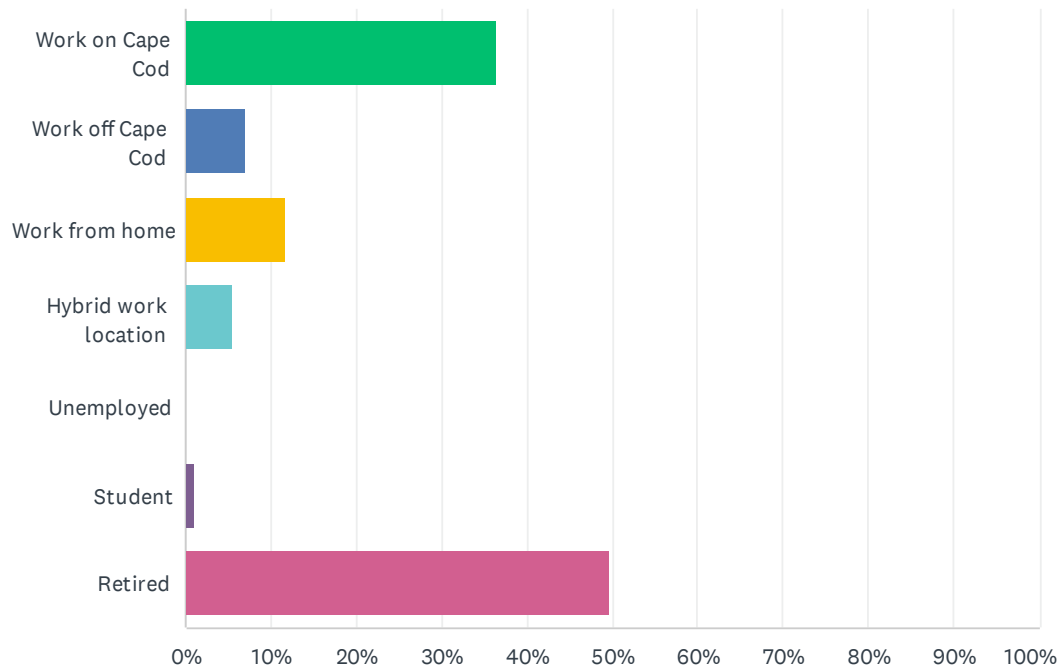
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Own	95.38%	496
Rent	4.62%	24
TOTAL		520

Q29 What is your employment status? (Please check all that apply)

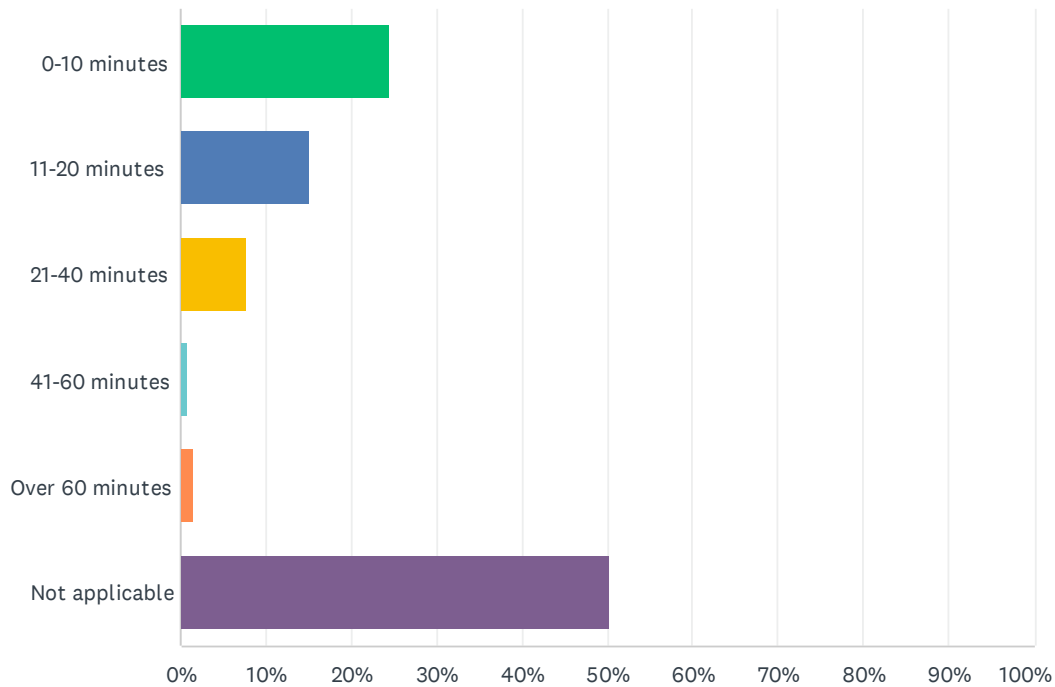
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Work on Cape Cod	36.38%	191
Work off Cape Cod	7.05%	37
Work from home	11.81%	62
Hybrid work location	5.52%	29
Unemployed	0.00%	0
Student	1.14%	6
Retired	49.71%	261
Total Respondents: 525		

Q30 What is your average commute time to work each day?

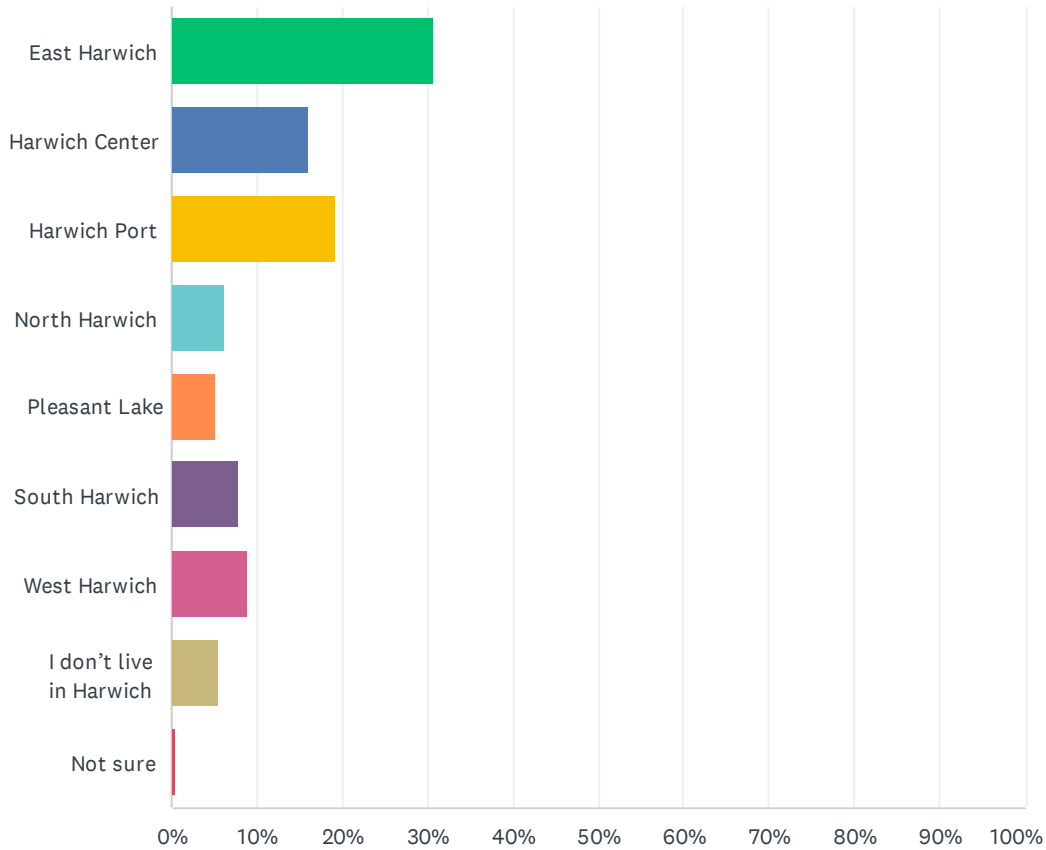
Answered: 514 Skipped: 130



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0-10 minutes	24.51%	126
11-20 minutes	15.18%	78
21-40 minutes	7.59%	39
41-60 minutes	0.78%	4
Over 60 minutes	1.56%	8
Not applicable	50.39%	259
TOTAL		514

Q31 Where in Harwich do you reside?

Answered: 525 Skipped: 119



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
East Harwich	30.67%	161
Harwich Center	16.00%	84
Harwich Port	19.24%	101
North Harwich	6.29%	33
Pleasant Lake	5.14%	27
South Harwich	7.81%	41
West Harwich	8.95%	47
I don't live in Harwich	5.52%	29
Not sure	0.38%	2
TOTAL		525