

Groton Master Plan 2023-2024



What is a Master Plan?

A Master Plan, also commonly known as a Long-Range Plan or Comprehensive Plan, is a community's general "blueprint" for its future, guiding regulatory changes, land use policies, budgeting decisions, and informing community decision making across disciplines. It can help to direct the community's long-term physical development for a decade or more, and its results may be seen over generations.

The 2023-2024 Groton Master Plan will cover the required topics prescribed by Massachusetts General Law (MGL) Chapter 41 section 81D, including: goals, land use, housing, economic development, natural and cultural resources, open space and recreation, services and facilities, circulation, and implementation. The Groton Master Plan will seek to identify and provide for the unique needs of the community through thoughtful integration of climate resilience and other key issues identified across its chapters and recommendations.

What does the process entail?

Throughout this plan, the Groton Planning Board, Planning Director, and a team of consultants led by Barrett Planning Group, LLC, will work cooperatively with residents, businesses, and stakeholders to provide guidance on a variety of issues. The process involves careful analysis of existing data and trends, examination of previous plans, and coordination of a variety of public engagement and visioning activities. The timeline of the planning process is scheduled to proceed from June 2023 to September 2024.



For additional information on planning activity in the Town of Groton, please visit the Planning Board's website:

<https://www.grotonma.gov/government/boards-and-committees/planning-board/>