

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 various disciplines. It can help to direct decision making on the community's long-term physical development over a period of decades or even generations.

The 2023-2024 Groton Master Plan will cover the required topics prescribed by Massachusetts General Law (MGL) Chapter 41 section 81D of: goals, land use, housing, economic development, natural resources and cultural resources, open space and recreation, services and facilities, circulation, and implementation. Further, 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 various 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 several 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 the Master Plan and planning activity in the Town of Groton, please visit the Town of Groton's Planning Board website:

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