

What do you think are the most important issues in Brookline today?			
Non-Resident Landowner			
Reduce Taxes 2			
Renters			
Cell Service			
Non-Resident Secondary Homes			
Pave Grassy Brook RD			
Taxes to high			
Future of Putney Mountain Road year round access			
Residents -Head of Household			
high taxes			
Excessive taxation			
I think our town is fine just the way it is changes cost money, and quite often problems			
This was very difficult all of these issues are important			
Combine schools with Newfane			
Tax efficiency for education cost			
Conflict of interest / select members employed by road crew			
Taxes			
Not-Head of Household			
High taxes			
High taxes			

How do you envision Brookline in the future?			
Non-Resident Landowner			
Diverse Residential			
Renters			
Non-Resident Secondary Homes			
Second home community			
A nice mixture of residents and 2nd homers so as to keep the flavor of a small VT Town			
non-manufacturing home business			
we value the beauty, Quietfulness, charm of small scale and away from the city "daily grind"			
Residents -Head of Household			
Changes cost money			
A place where people can work from home			
A mess / Strong agricultural Community			
Organic Farming, Green awareness			
Business from home			
Diversified noncommercial			
Home based businesses			
Not-Head of Household			
Brookline residents working out of their homes more once high speed internet is brought here			
artisan enterprises			

Brookline's natural areas and resources should be used for:			
Non-Resident Landowner			
As Landowner sees fit			
Renters			
Non-Resident Secondary Homes			
Historical landmarks preservation of obvious areas (Church, Round School house, etc.) and stonewalls			
Teaching of the beauty of what the resources are and how we can protect them.			
Whatever the land owner decides			
Residents -Head of Household			
More housing development			
Whatever the land owner would like to do with their property			
We should be able to use our land for what we want			
hiking and biking paths			
Organic farming, Feed & Produce			
Recreation if not posted/ private property			
Land owners prerogative			
ATV's should be discouraged			
Owner's discretion			
Not-Head of Household			
Environmentally conscious and compatible timber harvesting			
limited timber harvesting			
biking, walking paths			
responsible timber harvesting			
education			

The town of Brookline should make a special effort to manage/protect its			
Non-Resident Landowner			
Renters			
Non-Resident Secondary Homes			
Taxes			
so far what we know is things appear to be well in hand			
Residents -Head of Household			
Noise Pollution			
Let land owners control there own don't need town or state telling us what to do			
precious and unusual small size and intimacy of community			
History, Cellar Holes			
Noise			
General Quality of Life			
affordability			
Property rights of individual owners			
Not-Head of Household			
Up to the landowners			
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Brookline should...

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Non-Resident Landowner

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Reduce Spending

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Renters

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Non-Resident Secondary Homes

affordable housing implies industry with places for people to work

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Residents -Head of Household

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Start movement for Green & Organic living

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reduce taxes consolidate schools and admin

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Not-Head of Household

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Promote Trails

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Collaborating the elementary school with Newfane

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If Brookline could achieve FIVE of the following objectives in the next five years, which five would <u>you</u> choose?	
Non-Resident Landowner	
Reduce spending and taxes	
Renters	
Cell Service	
Non-Resident Secondary Homes	
lower taxes	
Residents -Head of Household	
Control rate of tax growth	
I've lived here for 27 years and I love this peaceful little town just the way it is.	
Put Brookline back to what it used to be	
Windmills for energy	
Improve accountability in Elementary School	
Quality education that is fiscally responsible combine with Newfane	
roadside trees and stonewalls	
Consolidate schools and school administration for tax efficiency	
Reduce taxes through school cost controls	
I'd rather see wind turbines on the ridges than another set of power lines	
Waste Management	
Improve Education, establish after school & Vacation programs for children - to help working moms	
Make no laws abridging rights of property owners including zoning or use restrictions or eminent domain	
Not-Head of Household	
Expand and improve of merge the school	
Control tax growth	
Improving Elementary education strong philosophy, music, art, social and environmental. Merge with Newfane	

Are there any specific issues that you would like to see addressed by the Brookline Planning Commission?

Non-Resident Landowner

Maintaining the rural character is vital as is constant improvement in education services. Improvement to your telecommunications infrastructure can help in education for both children and adults and can encourage more cottage industry and work from home jobs. Some of this might require modifications, such modifications can be done in diverse ways like making towers look like look out towers. Also town should move to capital income from and telecom towers.

Renters

Brookline - Athens Rd, Maintenance, Trash

Non-Resident Secondary Homes

Make positive choices - do not loose sight of the heritage of Brookline. Keep low income housing at bay and remember, me, a taxpayer, as you make decisions regarding unnecessary & expensive projects.

Cut anything that will reduce property taxes

Comprehensive plan of development zoning

Maybe a few zoning regs

If you do affordable housing, it should be inclusionary with a range of incomes. Be careful where you get your money from, or you may be required to take anyone who applies no matter where they lived previously, you can thus import social problems and fail to care for your local peoples needs

Scenic ridgeline protection needed soon to save vistas, Note Westminster's ordinance

Pave Grassy Brook Road - to Athens

ordinance which can limit sustained and excessive noise

Anyone who isn't happy pack up and go back where they came from.

Future of access to Putney over Putney Mountain Rd. the Putney side of the Mountain has much to offer Brookline residents who are now largely cut off from it.

Residents -Head of Household

Guard rails on the old Athens Rd / Grassy Brook RD. Better road maintenance

Improving Putney Mountain Rd. to a year round rather than seasonal road.

Zoning, development controls

Make sure to keep Individual rights of homeowners. Do not want excessive Permits / Zoning regulations.

Maintain a very limited influence

maintain regain community of helping each other survive

Improve or relocate the school, install Cell towers/access to high speed internet

Junk yards

Stronger penalties and enforcement of existing ordinances
Pure air quality, protect its ridgelines, preserve its historical buildings
Noise ordinance clearly needed based on town meeting discussion. Should be win-win for all parties. Provide certainty that certain commercial activities are permitted and that residential quality of life is not degraded
Please do not let industry come into Brookline leave it the beautiful little quiet scenic town that it is unspoiled.
A noise ordinance was brought before the select board & town meeting. Such an Ordinance is needed to prevent disturbance to neighbors. People should be allowed to use their own property for their benefit & profit - but not at the expense of others
Any new houses should go on a reasonably big piece of land like 3 to 5 acres
I would like to see no Planning Commission the Town has done fine from the start don't see no unusual problems except high taxes which will drive local people out of area prices for homes are getting to expensive for any local to own.
We must have access to broadband and build a telecommunications infrastructure in this town or we will become obsolete and a backwater
Keep us in a quiet, healthy and rural township.
People need to work for a living, just like they always have. Positions in town government need to be taken much more seriously.
I am very distressed about the large taxes I need to pay for poor services.
Planning commission should have the best interest of the public in mind
Self serve recycle bins never work because people are lazy. I would be interested in a seminar on what is supposed to go into the dumpsters (so called -recycle bins)
Protect Baptist Church, Internet access, Encourage biking, walking on Grassy Brook RD.
Elementary school should be closed and students bused to Newfane Elementary
The feud going on between neighbors, Noise Levels-(Time Limits if used), Junk Yards, Decrease of land value caused by the above problems.
The Commission should clean up their own houses before trying to regulate the rest of the Town. This town has done well without zoning for many years.
Home based businesses regulated for pollution & noise, effects to neighbors
Residential housing development & affordable low income housing these should be close to stores, hosp.,grocery, public transportation, etc.
Dirt residential roads should be maintained by town
Remove Junk cars & Trucks, Remove Debris in Yards
Ellen Ware RD. needs attention, recycling bins seem to need improvements
Explore the Green - Organic arena huge demand for organic foods - farmers need organic feed for there animals - Brookline has valuable land for such purposes as those - help start the movement for VT
Noise ordinance stated against Stationary Commercial Manufacturing No louder than 55 decibels at property line
Protection of water resources includes ground water
Protection of clean air ie: burning piles especially from logging, wood furnaces
Protection of quality of life from noise
Protection of affordability by reducing education costs through efficiency
Protect roadside trees & stonewalls from grader
School to costly, Town government needs to focus on control of spending, Road Maintenance except for destruction of stone walls, Recycling bins could be emptied more frequently

A noise ordinance limiting excessive and disruptive noise over an unusual and sustained period of time incompatible with residential community
Southern Loop Project
Yes - Disband, This is a rural community. I live here because of this. I want it kept this way. There are plenty of building & environmentally laws sufficient to handle this Hamlet. EX. Act 250 don't mess with success.
Junk Yards
Get rid of Junk Yards
Make no laws abridging rights of property owners including zoning or use restrictions or eminent domain
Not-Head of Household
I would like to see laws and ordinances to address some of the issues that have been raised in town by residents. It seems our "officials" are powerless and the burden of dealing w/ such issues is left to the residents in some cases causing hard feelings.
Cell phone reception / cable for telecommunications
recycle area and junkyards would zoning help here? Its an eyesore and visually depicts
18. would pay less if education funding were not dependent on property taxes 19. wish more variety of items could be recycled
Removal of junk vehicles and junk and abandoned items from properties
Keeping the rights of the individual homeowners
quality of life would be facilitated by rules ensuing that residents use of their land and behavior do not infringe on the peace and quiet of neighbors and other residents. The type of rules for the community to agree on (zoning a development review plan or regulation of development) and the process for selecting and enforcing the rules should best be addressed by the Brookline Planning Commission. Examples include respect for others and their property as well as commercial uses of land that offend others, specifically loud continuous noise, offensive odor, or an eyesore aesthetically.
Development of noise ordinances to deal with new noise producing commercial activity which is basically totally unregulated. The town should take a much more active role in addressing these issues pro-actively so as not to have to rush into something. It should be done thoughtfully and fairly with consideration for all affected and plenty of public input, prior to any decision.
Town Clerk's office not open enough
I live here because it is a rural community. I would not like it to become a commercial one. I would not like to see any growth.
Education - how can we provide the best education for our youth? If we work w/ Newfane our tax dollars would drop and our children would have more opportunities in learning and social. I would like to see some ordinance or zoning to help protect our rural community. I would not want loads of trucks and noise due to industry growth in our neighborhood.