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Appendix: Survey-Q13**Q13: How do you feel the Town can entice business to come here?**

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Adjusted tax rate compared to nearby towns	1
Align with...Festivals. Establish mountain biking area. Tax incentives. Expand the arts	1
Allow new business and lower tax rates for them	1
Be more open to all types of business - cannot be "too" picky. Tax base help	1
Be more open to new types of business - work to get taxes lower - involve State of NH to rebuild their roads and to widen some areas for better traffic flow - offer lowered tax rates to entice new business	1
Be more receptive to new businesses. Tax incentives	1
Be proactive. Tax breaks	1
By being more receptive to plans which would benefit the tax structure	1
By lowering the tax rate for new and established businesses.	1
Chamber of Commerce. More than tax breaks.	1
Create tax free commercial zones	1
Develop an industrial park, tax breaks, but use impact fees	1
Do not vote everything down! Too much tax exempt Main St. Bethlehem is a pass thru town there is nothing here to entice anyone	1
Don't. Only encourage business that will fit the towns image and help lower taxes	1
Eliminate state business profit tax for 5 years	1
Encourage new businesses to build/settle in Bethlehem with tax breaks based on # of jobs created. Zone an industrial park	1
Find a way to lower the taxes	1
Lower property taxes	1
Lower property taxes to start, then advertise Bethlehem's assets	1
Lower property taxes. Commercial development area	1
Lower property taxes. The taxes in this town are ridiculous	1
Lower tax rate for all	1
Lower tax rate. Create a positive environment for new business. Stop the protectionism of current business - i.e. let the free market dictate success	1
Lower taxes	5
Lower taxes and/or tax breaks to get new businesses to come to us. Look to develop more wood industries - pellet manufacturing - saw mill	1
LOWER TAXES!!!!	1
Lower taxes, adequate amenities, limited development	1
Lower taxes, be more receptive to businesses	1
Lower taxes, better access	1
Lower taxes, promoting more cultural events to all ages, less regulations for businesses	1
Lower taxes. Less red tape. Put in business only zoning	1
Lower taxes...a more positive feeling within the town...there has been years of controversy and it has impacted new comers...they will go to Franconia, and surrounding towns that don't have a huge landfill, exorbitant taxes and controversy..	1
New Business tax incentives; free advertisement - electronic connection to town's website; free plowing maybe	1
New select people; less tax free or exempt; listen to taxpayers not your way or else; lower tax base, embrace all ideas vote on business interest by actual taxpayers	1
Offer tax breaks	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Offer tax breaks. Less regulations	1
Our school tax rate is double that of the town of Franconia whose children go to the same middle & high school. Until that rate is in line with other towns in the area business will stay away.	1
Pay less taxes for 5 years	1
Possible tax breaks for few years until solidified	1
Reduce taxes	4
Reduce taxes. Stop the Casella fiasco and move on. That issue has become based on so much personalities issues. Everyone needs to back up, take a breath, gain all empirical evidence (not opinion) and make a choice	1
Reduce taxes; stop not in backyard attitude	1
Stop attacking every business that shows interest. Give some type of tax break for 1st couple of years	1
Tax and zoning incentives. Don't fight every outsider and only work with townies. Make attractive Main St. properties available for development i.e. wasted basketball courts, skate park, tennis courts, gazebo	1
Tax break for tourist based businesses	1
Tax breaks	1
Tax breaks	5
Tax breaks, stick to zoning rules, don't try to impose visual standard that aren't in zoning rules, like was the case with Dollar General	1
Tax breaks. Reduce restrictions	1
Tax cuts and less complaining whiney residents that are against every proposal	1
Tax incentives	7
Tax incentives (i.e. NY State). Worker training credits. Enhanced town services	1
Tax incentives for building upgrades to current code	1
Tax incentives for first 3 years	1
Tax incentives. Town boards need to encourage new businesses to settle here, but they also need to keep out chains, box stores etc. in the village	1
Tax incentives; land purchase for commercial use. Internet	1
Tax incentives; be more open/friendly toward business	1
Taxes too high. Could use affordable restaurants like brick oven pizza	1
The current tax rate is excessive when compared other local communities. The tax rate is having significant detrimental impact on both commercial and residential development.	1
Capitalize on the small town atmosphere - cater to tourists. Lower taxes for new businesses for a few years. Have a plan and execute	1
Clean common areas. Reduce Taxes. Make police lighten up on traffic stops	1
Make small business attractive with town grants & tax exemptions for first 5 years. Big business will find its way to us	1
I think Bethlehem should retain its village feel and quaintness. Streamlining the process to have a business here while still protecting the village ambiance. Reduce taxes for 2 years with incentives to reduce taxes by having the business give back to t	1
Have a knowledgeable and fair planning board. Keep taxes stable / lower taxes. Change image of town as we are known for fighting business / growth	1
Offer short term tax incentives	1
Offer tax abatement program on town-owned land that is developed into new businesses. No property taxes for first 5 years and phase-in over next 5 years. Also, abandoned, partially destroyed properties on Route 302 should be torn down	1
Limit government interference in the lives of its residents. Keep taxes as low as required to run basic town functions. No new projects. Our pockets are empty. Can't get blood out of a turnip	1
Stop making them jumping thru hoops / lower taxes	1
Market ski industry. Encourage condo living - 2nd home owners increase tax revenue. Partner / Omni / need active Chamber of Commerce	1
Limited development. Offer property tax relief	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
More events like farmers market; grants or low interest loans to new businesses; sell buildings taken for back taxes for low cost to people interested in opening business	1
The town needs an "anchor" business or activity that will draw traffic. If people stop, they'll shop. Tax incentives. YMCA would be great. Free Land	1
Look at current downtown space, not all locations are being utilized. This town is not a commercial destination and developing more land for commercial use will ultimately raise taxes - look at the horror show that is Gorham. Town lost its character a	1
Spruce up Main St. of town and keep taxes reasonable	1
Town cannot be picky about which business is allowed in town based on historic look, etc....taxes are too high. Maybe new businesses get a tax break for 3-5-7 years?	1
"Heart of the White Mountains"	1
Assist with permits, share business needs of community	1
Be friendly. Less restrictions	1
Be more business friendly and make the application process easier and more welcoming.	1
Be more open minded	2
Be more receptive to folks wanting to start a new business....i.e. The Dollar Store	1
Be open to all interests / businesses	1
Be willing to listen to proposals and to get feedback from population on specific businesses looking to come to town	1
Become green town and slow down climate description	1
Become more business friendly. Lighten up on zoning laws. Do not let the loud minority run them out of town.	1
Better advertising of the town. More parking. More promotion of events and businesses in town. Better website. Better promotion of Main St.	1
Better government	1
Business that comes to town should be located in appropriate areas, so when trying to entice businesses the location should be stressed.	1
By allowing them in, first.	1
By having a more affluent community; this is accomplished through keeping the town attractive	1
By not being so hard on them, we should be easy on them	1
By Planning Board not giving in to some citizen pressure	1
By pressuring its current character as an attractive tourist area with interesting shops, the arts and history. We are unique and should emphasize that	1
By stressing the natural beauty of the area and small town, unique shops and business	1
Capitalize on Bethlehem's Art - antique - religious atmosphere. Encourage WREN - Colonial - private entity to buy the lost in center of town and build an arts college - hotel. Week - 2 week classes would be held in wood working, pottery, acting, weaving	1
Catholic Church would be nice. I believe the town should work with current business owners and real estate to improve the curb appeal such as Baker Brook Cottages and Cedar Croft Block. Safety concerns in addition to aesthetics.	1
Cheaper utilities: Municipal electricity, natural gas lines and so on.	1
Clean up decaying buildings in town. Provide reliable round the clock emergency services.	1
Clean up or eliminate Main St. buildings that have passed their prime	1
Close the dump! It is ugly and smells	1
Close the landfill	1
Close the landfill. Extend north sidewalk Main St. to Cherry Valley Rd. and Turner JT	1
Commercial development should be implemented with cautious forethought. We have two great golf courses some nice businesses down town, could use some more and a minimal foot print hotel. Walkable community. Ease of access to Route 93. Excellent schools	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Continue to develop tourism, an attractive downtown with specialty stores, like antique stores, WREN. Make it a destination spot. Give business incentives.	1
Develop land by the high way. Tear down abandoned properties	1
Do some research and figure that out.	1
Don't don't	1
Don't push them out! We should have gotten FEDEX here!	1
Don't want it, this is a small town and we love it this way	1
Dress up Main St.!!! Fix buildings. More restaurants!!! Trees and landscapes. Bethlehem needs diesel. Help small business! More small shops that "stay open"!! No Dunkin Donuts!! Outdoor ice skating behind basketball courts	1
Eliminate the dump	1
Encourage business to come in	1
Enhance environment	1
Enlarge the emphasis on artists / artisans studios and encourage more alternative healing centers - fix the swimming pool for use in healing PT as well as for recreation	1
Establish foreign trade zone on Rt. 116. Establish contacts in Canada. Press local legislators to advance more initiatives in Concord. Enhance tourism economy through expanded gaming and off track betting facility	1
Explore the increase in the golfing. The only hotels are too far away and they are not enticing. You have a plaza in Littleton - not "upscale". Main St. is not that pretty - needs updating - even keeping with the local flavor	1
Find a way to re-establish the town as a tourist destination. I currently live in Salem, MA, and although their main tourist season is October, they are able to offer many amenities to the residents and businesses that make it a great place to live and w	1
Focus on what makes us unique: cultural history, arts organizations. The Colonial Theatre. WREN, Cold Mountain. We need a better town website, one that focuses on the cultural events and landmarks. That connects to real estate available. What about a Ma	1
Get better understanding of small vs large scale business and adjust the demands appropriately as well as decreasing fees for the zoning board.	1
Get rid of dump. Stress nature - air water trees	1
Get rid of most zoning.	1
Have more to do	1
High speed internet not just in center of town	1
Highway access or tourism	1
I think Bethlehem is well suited for small "mom-and-pop" style retail and restaurants along main street. The town should highlight its access to 302 and 93 as major routes for visitors and locals.	1
I think the Whitefield Road 116 should have a mall instead of lumber mill. have outlets like shoes, market basket, new hotels, book stores, CVS, clothing, etc.	1
I think we need to encourage business that is compatible with village culture. Big or mini box stores would not encourage this. This might require a change in zoning to encourage and allow commercial on street level areas of a building even if it is a	1
I wish I had an answer for this because we could use a few more restaurants	1
I wish I knew	1
I would not like to see an excessive amount of businesses here and not many more small artsy and crafty businesses either. Entice the recreational equipment and outerwear suppliers to come and more fine dining.	1
Improve the appearance of the center of town	1
Improve the charm of Main St. Encourage zoning to require residents to clean up their yards - make the houses have curb appeal	1
Increase water and sewer lines	1
Industry will do more damage than good. Population too small to support more retail	1
Land Brook Road into plan for Lt Indus or Cottage	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Less negativity about businesses and planning ordinances that are not overly restrictive	1
Less regulations	1
Let them do it	1
Make a small resort the way it used to be early 1900s look was great; stop the bickering and less politics and keep the small town integrity	1
Make it a retirement town. Where people would want to retire	1
Make the town more attractive along 302	1
Marketing our community	1
More "robust" downtown - unclear what type of business makes more sense	1
More festivals, arts events	1
More hiking trails. More historical sites. More, bigger, brighter restaurants. A large info center with gift shop	1
More input from residents about this issue, rather than the same old group who want to drive away any business they don't approve of	1
More manufacturing companies, even small startups	1
More to offer - activities and good hospitality from people who live here	1
Must have high speed internet access in town and all around the community so people can work from home and the office	1
Not commercial in the sense of box stores and franchises. We need to offer incentives like PILOT's to small businesses.	1
Offer incentives, don't be so picky on who comes (i.e. dollar store and the egg farm)	1
Parades	1
Perhaps we could use some of the empty buildings to create an office park	1
Pursue businesses that are complimentary to environment	1
Planning board and select board should be there to help businesses when applying for permits, instead of putting up roadblocks!	1
Planning board should be open to new businesses express openness and willingness to welcome new business. Also, planning board should respect our zoning, i.e. when a farm applies for permit in agricultural zoned area, they shouldn't be objections over	1
Present a less hostile attitude	1
Promote the town's values. We are committed to maintaining and expanding strong schools, strong employment opportunities, strong and diverse community, sustainable use of our natural resources, and great recreation in our mountains, lakes, and rivers.	1
Provide parking for town buses	1
Provide property relief	1
Pursue environmentally responsible businesses	1
Rebuild in town streets and sidewalks. Cut down all the huge dead trees and grind stumps to widen sidewalks so that they can be plowed. Outside town roads have trees hanging out making tow way traffic dangerous	1
Rehabilitate worn/burned structures	1
Require up keep on buildings on 302. Center of town need improvement	1
Rescind site plan review. Lessen zoning restrictions	1
Small business only, focus on rural farm development	1
Stop discouraging business	1
Stop dragging people thru the ringer when they are trying to build something. Listen to the majority not the few who scream the loudest	1
Stop fighting businesses that want to come into town	1
Stop letting a few people run the town and not listen to the overall population	1
Stop trying to drive them out.	1
Stop turning away the businesses that do try to locate here	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Stress organic farm to table and cottage industries. I don't want big box stores. Stress unique artsy atmosphere like the Colonial and WREN. Expand the farmers market	1
Support the arts. Paint store fronts with grant. Tear down problem buildings	1
Survey town occupants to find what is needed & wanted & contact appropriate businesses	1
Sustainable tourism - more restaurants - support the Colonial which is the heartbeat of the town now days	1
The "Town" as defined by the Town Meeting does little to promote itself other than contribute to a few non-profits such as Gazebo Concerts. Perhaps it could spend some money on promoting/assisting existing business & nonprofits in Town(Wren, The Colonia	1
The area up Whitefield Rd. should be developed for commercial properties, industrial park etc.	1
The few business in town don't want any business coming in because they are afraid it will take away from them. I feel we need more to choose from	1
The schools are great! Great recreation, educated work force, cheap property	1
The town needs to look at what needs are not being met business-wise. A diner would be good. Even a small hardware store. Granted, our town is very small around the village area and we are spread out quite a bit so most people would go to Littleton or	1
With more retail sale type business	1
Work with Chamber - Create Economic Development Committee	1
Would bring additional revenue into the town	1
You have good schools - good golf - good winter sports - etc.	1
Zone areas for commercial development. Offer incentives to businesses that increase jobs	1

Appendix: Survey_Q14

Q14: Other Businesses...comments

- Antique stores, art gallery, a YOUTH HOSTEL
- Anything that will lower taxes
- Arts & Crafts Store or Gallery
- Banks that have many branches
- Boutique shops/book store
- Bowling center/Sports Bar
- Bus tour from Rocks to North Conway
- Business that will reduce tax burden
- Child/youth related activities
- Dependent on appearance & uniqueness
- Develop 116 instead of lumber mill
- Dog Park with separate area for little dogs
- Drug Store
- Dunkin Donuts
- Dunkin Donuts, bakery
- Family restaurant, dry cleaners
- Fitness facility - YMCA like
- Flea Market
- Hardware store
- Hardware store, drug store
- Help develop Village Golf Store
- Hobby stores, bike shops
- Hotels, boutique hotels and hotel chains
- I would support a light industrial park
- Industrial Park on 116
- Junk yards / metal recycle facility
- Keep towns charm. Not like a city
- Marijuana growing / dispensary
- Medical Marijuana
- More solid waste. More landfilling
- More things for kids.
- More tree farms
- Music store/performance coffee house
- Must be in zoned areas
- No "adult" stores. No bars/liquor store
- No box stores. Keep beautiful and tourism
- None we have enough
- Non-industrial tech (non-polluting)
- Orvis or Cabela's. Adventure Park
- Professional Offices
- Public Transportation
- Rec equip/outwear suppliers; fine dining; pubs
- Reduce taxes & restrictions, business will come
- Remain quaint. Business should add culture
- Retail
- Saw mills
- SCC #13
- Small Businesses
- Small gift shops
- Some no's could be yes if away from town
- Some small chain stores
- Tech companies, Bio companies
- Technology
- Theme Park
- Whatever
- Yes
- YMCA

Appendix: Survey_Q15

Q15: Natural Resources...other comments.

- 80% of town currently in conservation easement
- Balanced with need to expand business
- Border NF town doesn't need to promote more
- Bury power lines on Main St.
- Cooperate in projects with other towns
- Cultural Heritage
- Cut trees and bring view back
- Don't over regulate property rights
- Great job here
- Green spaces around town - develop areas
- Halt expansion of NCES landfill
- Have a national state & town forest, that's plenty
- I don't want to see a lot of new land restrictions
- Keep pavement free and environmentally friendly
- More involved in ACT and SPNHF for recreation
- Motorcycle/car racing; more pro concerts
- National Forest owns 52% of our land
- Need more wooded land that can be logged off
- No land for Northern Pass
- None of the above
- None, we have adequate protections already.
- NONE. Parts of town in National Forest
- None. Promote development
- Plenty of land!
- Protected drinking water
- Protecting the environment.
- This can all be done and still develop land
- Too much properties owned by town, state and fed
- Town has enough conservation
- Try to balance
- Views very important, but only if resident agrees
- We already have a high percentage of conserved land
- We already have plenty for these purposes
- We have enough
- We need growth, not more protected land
- Wilderness & wildlife nearby in White Mountains
- X-skiing on golf course. Partner w/ski mountains

Appendix: Survey_Q16.1

Q16.1: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...truck traffic?

*Number in () are total of same or similar answers

- 142 / 302
- 142 - North, Long Hill
- (17) Route 302
- 302 at night
- 302 is not a truck route. Use Route 2
- 302 Jake breaks
- 302 through Main St.
- 302 too fast
- 302 truck traffic is annoying, but.....
- 302. 142. Trudeau Rd
- Trucks and campers on 302
- Needs to be slow through town
- Heavy on Main Street
- Near School
- Too many trucks on 302Rt.302 Long Hill
- Yes - trash oil timber - Main St.
- Yes! Downtown Rt. 302 Main St.
- (11) Main St.
- Secondary Rds.; Main Street
- Main St. (Jake brake)
- Main St. / Rt. 302
- Main Street, Trudeau Rd
- Main St. 302
- Near School
- Needs to be slow through town
- Absolutely!! On Main St.
- Big rigs
- Blaney and Brook
- (2) Brook Rd.
- A lot in the summer
- Can't really comment
- Construction vehicle should pay for damages
- Hard to control when PD sits in office
- I occasionally think trucks should be re-routed
- Large trucks often follow too closely
- Large trucks on restricted roads
- Lewis Hill Road
- Long Hill
- Much too much
- On our roads, they fly by!
- On side roads
- Please curtail
- Prospect St.
- River Rd. even though a sign is posted
- They go too fast
- Too much
- Too much all roads
- Truck drive too fast
- Trucks from Twin by Maplewood
- Trudeau Road
- (3) Wing Rd
- Yes - Prospect Street

Appendix: Survey_Q16.2

Q16.2: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...traffic speed?

*Number in () are total of same or similar answers

- (24) Main St / Rt. 302
- Rt. 302 should be monitored closer by PD
- 302 / Cherry Valley intersection
- 302 and Maple Street
- 302 in Village; Passing in no passing zones
- 302, Trudeau Rd
- 302. Traffic circle by 142
- Too much Main St.
- Trucks on 302
- Trucks too fast on 302
- Yes, Main Street
- Main St. for trucks
- Yes 302
- Main St. and River Rd.
- Too fast going through town
- Should be lowered through town
- Needs to be enforced downtown
- Yes! Downtown
- Too fast through town - needs enforcement
- Truck Traffic - Main St & Trudeau Rd
- Speeding in the center of town, trucks
- Main St. in front
- Main St., Agassiz St. - no policing
- Rt. 302 West
- People go through Main St. at 50
- Rt. 302, Old Franconia Rd.
- Rt. 302, Rt. 142
- Agassiz downhill; 302/village
- Center of Town - Main St.
- All go too fast on 302
- In town
- Agassiz - Main St. Long Hill
- Absolutely!! On Main St.
- Truck going too fast downtown
- Agassiz
- Agassiz bad
- All town roads
- Almost all roads
- At times on Prospect St.
- Big rigs fly by house
- Cherry Valley Rd, 30mph
- Do not lower 30 is fine
- Drivers speeding through town
- Fine. Cops are good at getting speeders
- Hard to control when PD sits in office
- Jefferson to Cross St.
- Lewis Hill & Long Hill
- Lewis Hill Rd
- Lewis Hill Rd
- Logging Trucks
- Maple St.
- Monitor speed on Agassiz
- Most roads
- Near School
- No - Police does a good job
- Old Franconia
- Old Franconia Rd after closing time
- On 142 / Maple St. in the 30 mph zone
- People from Mass. VT drivers go too slow
- Prospect St.
- Reasonable
- Rt. 116 people drive too fast
- Rt. 142 aka Maple St., traffic very fast
- Rt. 142 Maple St.
- South Rd.
- Yes - old Franconia Rd.
- Yes - on my back rd.
- Yes; Mt. Agassiz to Copper Cannon
- Stricter enforcement or 25mph
- Too fast
- Too fast
- Too fast
- Too low
- Truck speed
- Trucks 20 mph
- Trucks from Twin by Maplewood
- Wing Rd
- Yes
- Yes
- Yes

Appendix: Survey_Q16.3

Q16.3: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...traffic noise?

**Number in () are total of same or similar answers*

- (16) Main Street/ Route 302
- 302 and 3
- 302, Trudeau Rd
- Absolutely!! On Main St.
- Agassiz
- Eliminate Jake breaks in town
- Except for trucks - ok
- Fine, except for occasionally the trucks
- Jake brakes
- Jake brakes used in town
- Jake break
- Loud
- Minimum - mainly truck noise
- No brake downshift!!!
- No Jake breaks in town
- Not unless the Dalton race track goes ahead
- Personally no impact - can hear 3 & 302
- Snowplowing 4 am
- Too many trucks
- Too many trucks/noise 302
- Too much
- Too noisy
- Truck noise
- Trucks - Long Hill
- Trucks and Jake brakes on Long Hill
- Who decides?
- Wing Rd
- Yes
- Yes
- Yes 302 I 93
- Yes! Downtown
- Yes, but expected

Appendix: Survey_Q16.4**Q16.4: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...traffic turning and entering?**

- 3 + Trudeau, 142 and 302
- 302
- 302 / Cherry Valley - Poor visibility
- 302 and 142
- 302 from Park Ave
- 302, 142, 116
- 302, Trudeau Rd
- Junction of 142-302 needs revamp
- Area around post office and town building
- At gazebo concert
- At the Post Office (accident waiting to happen)
- Bank 20' of double yellow line for town liability
- Bethlehem Post Office and Coffee shop
- Bethlehem School
- Blaney and Brook
- Bottom of Long Hill Rt. 302
- Cherry Valley Rd. / Rt. 302
- Corner of 302 and Maple
- Dangerous/Brook Rd; need blinking light
- Driver problem not towns
- Fine.
- Intersections Agassiz/Main and Maple/Main
- Lewis Hill @ Arlington
- Main Street
- Main Street -Post Office
- Onto Main Street
- Park Ave to Main St
- River and Wing Roads
- Small business, post office
- Too much
- Tr 142 @ Maple Hill (no sight distance)
- Wing Road / River Road can't see over hill

Appendix: Survey_Q16.5

Q16.5: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...inadequate street lighting?

**Numbers represent same or similar answers*

- Blank 265
- 302 in Bethlehem Proper 1
- All over town. Old + inadequate 1
- All streets..... 1
- Area from Park Ave to Long Hill very dark..... 1
- Back street lights are old. Solar LED 1
- Brook Road 1
- Bury power lines on Main St. 1
- Elim. 70%. People should pay, not whole town .. 1
- Good, but need upgrade 1
- Good; no more, got too much as it is 1
- Lewis Hill Rd 1
- Lighting along 302 from I93 to east end of town .. 1
- Like dark skies 1
- Long Hill Rd..... 1
- Main Street 1
- Maple Street..... 1
- More lighting coming into both sides of town 1
- No, opposite too much in silly places..... 1
- No; want light pollution ordinance..... 1
- Not enough 1
- not too bad 1
- on Main Street near Lloyd Hills Building 1
- On side streets..... 1
- Switch to LED fixtures saves money easier on eye 1
- Too many street lights on side roads..... 1
- Town 1
- Yes 3
- Yes - side streets 1
- Yes could use more 1
- Fine 3
- N/A..... 6
- No 21
- No problem 2
- None 2
- Ok 2

Appendix: Survey_Q17

Q17: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...inadequate parking?

**Numbers represent same or similar answers*

• Blank.....	160	• No traffic or parking concerns.....	1
• Additional parking needed.....	1	• No, I do not find parking a problem.....	1
• Adequate.....	1	• No, unless you go to Rosa's on Wing night	1
• Around theater	1	• None	1
• At Gazebo	1	• Not currently; Not Really	3
• BES.....	11	• Not for current level of business activity.....	1
• BES needs more parking	1	• Not that I know of.....	1
• BES. Police appearance daily would help	1	• On Main St. - town offices and Post Office	1
• Bethlehem Post Office and Main St. businesses.....	1	• On Main St. near theater & Cafe & Post Office.....	1
• Center of town.....	1	• Only for large events.....	1
• Center of town to accommodate town buses	1	• Park to 302 cannot see when turning	1
• Colonial Theater.....	1	• Parking area needed at BES	1
• Could use small lot near colonial for busier days	1	• PD. Town Hall. Shops. Need off 302 parking.....	1
• District 1 Main St.....	1	• Post Office	13
• Don't know of any.....	1	• Post Office & the Grammar School.....	1
• Downtown	2	• Post Office & Town Building/Office	12
• Downtown near theater.....	1	• Post Office / Mai Papaya	1
• Downtown, TH, BES	1	• Post Office and Coffee Shop, shouldn't be together	1
• During summer on Lewis Hill can be difficult.....	1	• Post Office and Elementary School	2
• Elementary School - Bethlehem.....	1	• Post Office area dangerous	1
• Elementary school, Town Gazebo / Theater area.....	1	• Post Office at times. Town Building	1
• Fire, Police & Post Office. Bethlehem School	1	• Post Office gets dicey especially handicapped spot	1
• Gazebo Events.....	1	• Post Office, town building, elementary school	1
• Gazebo park needs better parking on cemetery side...1		• Post Office, town building, Main St. by theater	1
• If tourism expansion happens yes. Parking BES.....	1	• Post Office/Coffee House	1
• Lewis Hill Rd	1	• Rosa Flamingo's, Post Office.....	1
• Main is poor. Traffic no visible from Agassiz	1	• Rt. 302	1
• Main near Colonial	1	• Rt. 302 and Post Office.....	1
• Main St during the summer	1	• School & Theater	1
• Main St. - District #1.....	1	• School and Post Office	1
• Main St. - needs off street	1	• School!! Town Building	1
• Main St. BES.....	1	• School, Post Office and Town Hall	1
• Main St. WREN - Colonial theater more parking.....	1	• School; Main St.....	1
• Main St. (movie time)	1	• Sometimes at the Post Office	1
• Main St. and Post Office	1	• Synagogue Strawberry Hill. Improve side walk.....	1
• Main St. and School.....	1	• The elementary school.....	1
• Main St. by WREN	1	• Top of Prospect Street for summer bands	1
• Main St. District I.....	1	• Town Building	1
• Main St. Downtown	1	• Town building - too many - hydrant parking.....	1
• Main St. during the summer.....	1	• Town Center; there needs a large parking area.....	1
• Main St., downtown, BES.....	1	• Town Hall / Fire & Police, Post Office	1
• Main St; BES, TH.....	1	• Town Hall and Post Office	2
• Main Street.....	6	• Town Hall Area	1
• Main Street and Post Office Area.....	1	• Town hall, pool & park; Rosa's & Elementary School ..	1
• More at BH School.....	1	• Town Hall; Post Office	1
• More user friendly parking downtown.....	1	• Unfortunately the town building and Post Office	1
• Most everywhere when there is an event(s) going on ..	1	• Unknown.....	1
• Municipal parking along Main St. near theater	1	• Vicinity of Colonial Theater / WREN	1
• Near the theater, gazebo Sunday nights.....	1	• When not where; Colonial functions & town function ...	1
• No; N/A	34	• Yes around BES	1
• No (as long as 302 parking allowed for concerts)	1	• Yes Main St.; should have municipal parking	1
• No business, how could there be parking problems?...1		• Yes. Downtown.....	1
• No problem. Main Street has ample parking	1	• Yes; BES; Rosa Flamingos.....	1

Appendix: Survey_Q18

Q18: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...inadequate handicap parking?

- Blank 225
- Don't know; Good-ok; I don't think so; N/A; NA; No Opinion; No Problem; None, Not apparently; Not aware of any; Not currently; Not sure; No sure, never really looked; Not that I am aware; Not that I can see, Not yet; Seems to be fine; Sorry – I'm ignorant on this subject; Uncertain; Unknown; Have not looked;?;We have handicapped parking? 65
- @ WREN..... 1
- Around theater..... 1
- Businesses on 302, town hall, Post Office..... 1
- Colonial; Colonial needs more than one space 2
- Downtown..... 3
- Downtown shops 1
- Elementary School 1
- Everywhere; Everywhere and better enforcement..... 2
- Main Rd. and Post Office..... 1
- Main St in front of WREN and the Colonial..... 1
- Main St. 3
- Main St. - Post Office 1
- Most everywhere 1
- Near WREN..... 1
- On 302 by the theater..... 1
- Post Office..... 1
- Post Office & Town Hall..... 1
- Post Office and store 1
- Post Office and Town Building 1
- Post Office terrible 1
- Post Office, School and Town Hall 1
- Post Office. Respect the spot..... 1
- School 1
- Theater..... 1
- Tough in all of northern NH 1
- Town Building..... 1
- Town Building and BES..... 1
- Town Hall 1
- Town Hall. Post Office. Shopping area..... 1
- Town Hall; Post Office..... 1
- Town Offices. Theater 1
- Village Center..... 1
- Yes, but snow makes parking more difficult 1

Appendix: Survey_Q19.1

Q19.1: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...inadequate roadway shoulders?

- Blank..... 272
- N/A, NA, No; Fine; Ok 17
- Long Hill..... 4
- Rt. 142 (Maple Street) 3
- 142 between Bethlehem & Franconia; Trudeau Rd 1
- 142 repair culvert..... 1
- 302 Long Hill..... 1
- Agassiz St. Hill View 1
- All roads..... 1
- Beaver Pond and River Rd..... 1
- Bike lanes on 302 1
- Brook Rd for bikes and pedestrians 1
- Brook rd. 1
- Brook Rd/blinking light..... 1
- Cherry Valley Rd 1
- Cottage St..... 1
- Entrance to Cherry Valley Rd. @ 302 1
- Gilmington Hill Rd..... 1
- Improved..... 1
- Lehan Ed, rock outcrop at top of hill..... 1
- Main St. and 142 1
- Maple Hill Street 1
- Maplewood Rd..... 1
- Maybe 1
- Prospect St. 1
- Prospect St. big trees too close..... 1
- Prospect, Maplewood and more..... 1
- River Rd. road erosion, getting worse 1
- River Rd. - 302..... 1
- River Rd. needs repaving badly 1
- River Road..... 1
- Rt. 302 1
- West farm 1
- Yes..... 1
- Yes certain streets..... 1
- Yes for biking..... 1
- Yes for kids..... 1

Appendix: Survey_Q19.2

Q19.2: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...better signage?

- Blank..... 295
- N/A; NA; No; No Problem; Ok 21
- 116 to 142..... 1
- 142-N + 142-S 1
- Banner over 302 for events 1
- Cherry Valley 1
- Enough 1
- Everywhere..... 1
- Fine..... 1
- for the town 1
- Long Hill..... 1
- Maple St. / Wing rd. / River rd. 1
- Mt. Cleveland/no outlet..... 1
- Signs are better 1
- Too much signage - eye sore 1
- Traffic Signage should be updated..... 1
- Transitions to 142 but it is the vegetation 1

Appendix: Survey_Q19.3

Q19.3: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...unpaved to paved?

- Blank 296
- N/A; NA, No; No problem; None; Ok; Fine..... 20
- All private roads need to be paved 1
- All unpaved should be paved 1
- Beaver Pond and River Rd. 1
- Brook Rd. & Prospect Street need repaving 1
- Check mark 1
- Church St. 1
- Deer run rd. Oakridge Rd..... 1
- In town up turner 1
- Maplewood Hill Rd. 1
- Most of the Town Roads 1
- Oak Ridge Rd..... 1
- Pave Prospect to the bridge..... 1
- Please pave the roads that need paving..... 1
- Rt. 142 from Main to Franconia 1
- When money allows 1

Appendix: Survey_Q19.4**Q19.4: Are any of the following traffic conditions a problem...other?**

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Blank	239
No; NA; NA; None Needed; They do ok on roads, sidewalks, etc.; All Fine	9
Repair paved streets; pot holes/patches terrible	22
Resurface Cherry Valley Rd	
Pave roads in subdivisions to proper standards.	
Paved to repaved	
Paved to repaved	
Paved to unpaved	
Paved to unpaved. Like VT not MA	
Must repave roads on a regular basis	
Repave	
Repave Brook Rd. Better drainage. Bike lane	
Repave Cottage St.	
Repave more roads every year	
Some roads need repaving to be up to standards	
General repaving to keep up with the frost heaves	
Repave Old Franconia Rd/Gilmanton Rd. Watch Speed	
All pavement is poor, repairs not done right	
More road should be repaved annually	
Cherry Valley Rd could use new pavement	
Brook Road needs new pavement	
More roads should be repaved every year	
All roads that meet specs should be paved	
???-guard rails	
302 should be widened. Long Hill and 142 to Franc	1
Across to existing side walls from roadway	1
Agassiz St.	1
All could stand a little work	1
Better drainage	2
Better drainage especially Route 302	1
Better drainage on Prospect St.	1
Drainage along side streets	1
Drainage to reduce pot holes; Trudeau Rd.	1
Bike lanes and painted line everywhere	1
Brook & Prospect Rd terrible surface	1
Brook Road and Trudeau Road need upgrading	1
Brook rd. could use some attention	1
Congress St. sunk in areas and tree limbs hanging	1
Cottage St. is bad! Metal sticking up	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Detour road off 302 should be improved	1
Extend the sidewalk on 142 and 302	1
Frost Heaves	1
Intersection of Main St. and Parker Rd	1
Lewis Hill - near 302 is seriously torn up	1
Main St. Truck traffic very unsafe, take 93	1
Main Street; school to library	1
Maintain roads as finances dictate	1
Many roads need an overlay of 2" not skim coat	1
Maple St. is horrid always	1
Maplewood Road	1
More sand/Agassiz/302; hill Bear Notch	1
More shoulders. Better paving and drainage	1
More sidewalks on side streets (pleasant)	1
More signs for littering and dumping	1
Most roads need attention. Highway crew means Highway	1
Mountain View Lane - Town Rd	1
My home on Cottage St.	1
Need pot holes fixed. Trudeau Rd is a mess	1
Old Franconia Rd. right side no parking signs	1
Parker Hill Rd needs to be redesigned.	1
Plenty of pot holes to fix	1
Pot hole repairs	1
Prospect Street and other minor roads very bad	1
Rebuild or improve Prospect St.	1
Rely on Road Agent to make recommendations	1
Road crew too much on Beech Hill, fire them all	1
Road next to Maplewood needs improvement	1
Roads fine except in front of PD can be congested	1
Roads in good condition. People need to slow down	1
See above. Bad intersection, need blinking light	1
Sidewalk; north side 302	1
Sidewalks all the way down 302	1
South Rd - Intersection of Main and Parker culvert	1
Sustained maintenance of R.t 142	1
Too many holes...Trudeau Rd.	1
Traffic light at Park	1
Trudeau is falling apart	1
Trudeau Rd needs potholes fixed	1
Trudeau Rd needs redoing from Casella	1
Trudeau should be state. Not just trash trucks	1
Upgrades should be left to road agent	1
Wider shoulders create faster speeds	1
Work done on South Road to repair damage	1

Appendix: Survey_Q25

Q25: Are there historic sites in Town that should be protected now?

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Blank	213
N/A; No; No opinion; Can't think of any; Not sure; Not aware of any; No opinion; NO!!!; Don't Know; ?	30
Yes	1
"Downtown", both Country Clubs	1
Maplewood, the Sinclair and Cruft Block should be protected so that any development has to fit with the historic character of those buildings.	1
Maplewood; Maplewood RR Station; Maplewood Train Depot; Maplewood Train Station; the old railroad station in town and at Maplewood Road; the old train station; Railroad station; old railroad station; Maplewood Train Station; Mt Agassiz; Old train station on Maplewood property. Ivie Chapel; Old train station, Reconstruct village, like Sturbridge Village; The rail station on maple wood hill is likely lost although perhaps not. Sad to see several homes that appear abandoned and will likely be lost. Too bad town can't obtain , sell and save	11
Maplewood, houses whose second story extends out, cemetery	1
Maplewood	1
Maplewood, the stone church and Theater	1
Theater, Maplewood, Stone Churches	1
Town Hall and Colonial Theater; Colonial Theater; Colonial Theater and Town Hall; Colonial Theater and Victorian "Cottages"; Colonial and Elementary School; The Colonial & Church; The Colonial Theater, The WREN condos, the Town Building; Colonial Theater, that small downtown area. Any old hotels, railroad stations. Few of the old boarding houses across from the Bethlehem Country Club. Kurt Gowdie's place; The Colonial Theatre - if not already. various historic house should be protected from bad renovations - difficult to do this probably but there are so many historic houses and the town's value is enhanced by that history which should be preserved; Old churches, Colonial Theater, Bethlehem County Club, any of the old Inns; Vacant lot at corner of Agassiz and Main. Colonial Theater and surrounding shops; How about the whole town as a scenic and historic landmark in NH. The Colonial, the Town Hall, The building that houses the Visitor's Center and the empty lot across from the Village Store should be town owned.	12
Absolutely not. Businesses are not interested in Bethlehem as it is. We don't need another roadblock put in place	1
All of the old hotels that are falling down; All; All of them; All of them that are in disrepair	4
All stone buildings. Church near Rosa Flamingos. Mulburn Bed & Breakfast	1
Any early structure that contributes to the aesthetics of the town	1
Any remaining hotels and well know summer residences	1
Ask the owners	1
But do not impede progress. Not sure	1
Center of Town	1
Church	1
Ivie Church, Christ The King Church	1
Churches	1
Cottages & Hotel remnants	1
Downtown looks pretty shabby in spots	1
Golf Club House. Selected homes	1
Grand old homes	1
House on Main St. that was wired by Bell	1
If not being done, the "downtown area"	1
It seems that a few old buildings need to be torn down before they fall Down.	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Lady of the links. Pool. Gazebo	1
Main St. from BCC to Maplewood	1
Main Street so varied, each unique - not conducive to historical district	1
Most are gone. Protect Durrell Church and Theater	1
Most definitely no historic districts. It will be abused to deter new business to come to town by a very small, but vocal minority in town...	1
Most of downtown - the old "cottages"	1
Mt. Agassiz should be protected more. Lights and towers to the most scenic area in town is not something we should ignore	1
No - most are beyond repair - eye sores	1
No. This would further slow economic development of our town and deter new business to coming in.	1
Not automatically	1
Not aware. Urge funds used for historic signs	1
Protect the ones that are here and insure that property owners will maintain and upkeep the appearance and preservation of the buildings.	1
Remnants of old hotels and Rail Road	1
Some of the older properties on Main Street	1
Stanley White House	1
Tear down abandoned properties	1
The Bell Cottage. Strawberry Hill St. should be cleaned up	1
The historically significant houses on Main St.	1
The horse watering station across from the Village Store	1
The old inns on Main St.	1
The Victorian homes on Main St.	1
The Village District/downtown	1
The Wayside Inn	1
The whole town should be protected	1
There are hardly any left.	1
There are some significant buildings	1
Town Building but not sure if necessary or the advantage to "protect"?	1
Town Hall, Heritage Museum, Watering fountain, some homes, churches	1
train depot- change to a coffee shop/art gallery	1
Train station, town hall, grocery store building ---actually, all those old buildings on Maine Street need to be preserved. They add a lot of character to Main Street.	1
Two some people	1
Unknown. Possibly catholic church also this needs to be reopened	1
Village. Farm buildings	1
Waste of time & money	1
West Farm Road	1
What's up with the old ccc camp site near Casella Landfill? Shown on 1936 USGS Map. Some of Agassiz's old trails and Tote Rd. if any is on market.	1
Yes. Structures on Main Street. Town Hall, Bretzfelder Park, Gables, mil urn, etc.	1

Appendix: Survey_Q28

Q28: Do you have any additional comments about alternative energy projects?

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Blank	242
No, None	7
Let's continue to say No to Northern Pass. This state relies on the tourism industry and I believe the Northern Pass project will hurt the economy very very badly; No Northern Pass	3
No towers in Bethlehem!!	6
Wind farms are useful but are a distraction to scenery - talk to people in Maine near wind farms before considering (a friend built a house, then the town put in a wind farm. He can't sell the house and the farm caused damage	
Rescind wind tower ordinance	
Only projects that don't affect our views	
This could be another way to create jobs in Bethlehem. Windmills are beautiful against the mountains - as long as the numbers are reasonable	
No wind farms	
Partner Casella; harness gasses from landfill	10
The dump is burning gas every day. Why not work with them to use it for something the town could benefit from?	
Landfill gas should be used to generate electricity or other form of energy	
landfill waste gas to energy projects	
Let's put a pipeline in from the dump to Main St. and use that gas	
The town has two areas that would make great alternative energy ex. the dam on river rd. The landfill for its gas.	
Any alternative energy should be considered. Landfill is wasting burning gas every day instead of using it better	
Use methane from town landfill for energy. See if town can enter into a profitable relationship to lower its electric bill	
Use gas from dump to power town, like dump in Rochester, NH provides power to UNH Durham	
Town project with landfill	
Should use generators turned by river	6
I wonder if the old damn could be renovated and harnessed for power	
What about the old dam what could be done with that and encase there is no other place to suggest How About A Dog Park In Town	
Water power / hydro	
We have a river, let's put it to use for energy for the town so we're not paying PSNH outrageous amounts. Bethlehem needs own power company	
We have the beautiful Ammonoosuc River going thru much of Bethlehem and there is no reason we shouldn't be getting clean and cheaper hydro power. Sooner the better	
"Propane" auto gas for town vehicles	1
A benefit to the whole world	1
Again, stop turning away those who try	1
Against more development of fossil fuels, pipe lines, power lines, etc.	1
Agree with alternative energy. No wind mills	1
All should be coordinated with impact on town and the region	1
Allow wind towers	1
Alternative energy projects could be good for area if fully researched and built so they do not negatively affect the beauty of town	1
Any available financial support/subsidies/etc. available for the town and/or individuals should be actively pursued and promoted.	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
As long as it isn't like the dump and can be seen from areas in town	1
Bio Mass - efficient and clean	1
Bio mass community heating	1
Conversion to pellet furnaces for municipal buildings and schools if possible	1
Do this	1
Encourage the private sector and small business to invest and create good paying jobs. Stop the drain of our young people leaving the area.	1
Everyone wants solar and wind power, but not where they can see it	1
Find a way to help lower electric cost in our area	1
Gas produces more contamination	1
Get off the "mad-made" climate change con. Utilize all available data. Science should be data driven, not "consensus"	1
Great idea as long as they do not impact the environment i.e. solar panels and wind turbines can be very unsightly	1
How about encouraging residents to do their own solar	1
Hydro, LFG to energy, Landfill geothermal	1
I am all for incentivizing private use of these projects, but certainly no town investment in these low or negative ROI projects. I cannot emphasize enough how over the top the Bethlehem tax rate truly is.	1
I am not familiar with the positive or negative effects of alternative energy projects in Bethlehem.	1
I don't think there is enough information out there about how these types of projects COULD benefit the town- or even if they WOULD. NO LANDFILL GAS TO ENERGY.	1
IF there aren't zoning regulations to determine location and the effect on neighborhoods there should be.	1
If we'd been thinking about it 20-30 years ago, we might not be so pressed to think about it now	1
Interested, but don't know enough	1
Let individual residents keep their hard earned money. They will take care and make decisions about how to spend and where to spend their own money on energy	1
LSLWR Power	1
Natural Gas	1
Need more government incentives	1
Need to consider space along with type of energy (i.e. solar panels/wind towers take up a great deal of physical space	1
Offer incentives to homeowners for alternative green energy, we use such in MA to have solar	1
Projects in any of these fields should be less restricted	1
Require solar water heating at Public Buildings including schools	1
Should be aggressively explored and incentives given for homeowners to convert	1
Should encourage wood pellet boiler because they are a good use of renewable resources and a smaller carbon footprint	1
Should look at solar options	1
Solar - pellets at schools and town buildings	1
Study use of wood pellets	1
The effect of each should be considered for their effect on the environment and quality of life in the town	1
The town should not be dabbling in things it doesn't have any information about	1
There is a lot of potential for renewable energy that is well thought out and developed.	1
There isn't any leadership / direction from Concord to advance these ideas. The town (Bethlehem) should pursue Federal Grants to support alternative energy	1
They should be self-funding - not tax payer subsidized	1
Town incentives to utilize alternative energy	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Town sponsored seminar would be nice	1
Water Conservation	1
We need to promote the use of higher efficiency electrical products, heating systems, and insulation. Smart use of energy is critical. Personal habits and systems that help people use less energy is critical.	1
We should encourage alternative energy projects	1
Wind helps tax base	1
Wind turbines, solar energy and energy efficiency	1
Wood to electric energy	1
Would favor wood pellet manufacturing facility small/med. in Rt. 116 area near Wing Rd.	1
Would like to see a town wide solar-wind co-op. People can buy as many KW of capacity they want - need	1
Yes, do it	1

Appendix: Survey_Q31

Q31: What is your opinion of the landfill?

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
(Good) only because the state wants it. We have no say with the state	1
A landfill needs to be somewhere - so be it....but I disagree with having non-local trash sent to it	1
A necessary evil	3
A necessary evil. Do believe it could remain profitable for the town if expansion were granted	1
Adequate	1
Afraid of it.	1
Agreement is working with closure in few years	1
All Good	1
All is good	1
Ambiguous - it's there - we have to deal with it	1
An eyesore at best; a health concern at worst. No more expansion - use it as an energy source and recover the land some day	1
Apparently a necessary evil since townspeople voted to cease legal opposition	1
Approve	1
As long as it is far away from the main town and housing and doesn't have an environmental impact it is fine	1
As long as it is regularly inspected and maintains compliance it is fine	1
At least the Selectmen are working on the problems	1
Bad	1
Be more receptive to ideas that come from the landfill.	1
Blank	55
Cap it	1
Cap it, End it, and Close it!!!	1
Carcinogenic - way too many cancer deaths in this town. Not happy at all about methane flare and toxic chemicals in water quality reports	1
Clean & efficient	1
Close it	1
Close it as soon as possible. Let them pay to repair Trudeau Rd from Landfill to Rt. 3	1
Close it or at least limit growth	1
Close it...we've paid long enough. Don't want other towns and states sending trash here. Very worried about the long term effect on ground water quality.	1
CLOSE. Bad for health and town's image	1
Closed as soon as possible. Does not benefit the town in any way. The trash cans are designed to be bear lunch boxes. Detracts in terms of people moving to the town and in terms of tourism.	1
Close it	1
Concerned our poor water quality related to it	1
Contain at present permit	1
Convenient - but having trash pickup isn't useful to some of us. Would rather take care of it ourselves, its lower cost.	1
Could be the ruination of our town; no only polluting natural resources but driving away potential home owners	1
Do not expand it.	1
Do not like - have we received any benefits?	1
Does not bother me either way	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Doing a great job	1
Don't expand	1
Don't have one	1
Don't know	1
Don't know enough to have one	1
Don't like it but I'm accepting of it as long as they do as they've agreed. I would like Trudeau Road maintained better.	1
Don't like it! Have to deal with what we have and make the best of it. Needs to benefit the town!	1
DUMP THE DUMP!!! NO DUMP!!!	1
Enough already - no more money on attorney's - let it go	1
Excellent operation	1
Excellent!!!	1
Feel that less activity from far away towns would be more beneficial for us here	1
Functions well as a transfer station.	1
Get as much as we can from it. Build a Co-generation plant and burn the trash and create electricity	1
Get it out of here	1
Get rid of it	2
Give it a rest!	1
Glad a compromise was reached and we are no longer throwing away money on lawyers	1
Good	3
Good - excellent swap shop. Very clean and organized	1
Good - necessary	1
Good deal, works great the way it is now	1
Good for town, recycle is great only business in town that's not tax exempt	1
Happy to have it	1
Happy with situation	1
Hate it.	1
Have no opinion	1
Have no problem with it. We have to dispose of our trash somewhere. Get as much \$\$ from them as possible	1
Heart breaking assault on nature. Stop them please	1
Heavy trucks are ruining Trudeau Rd and should be financially responsible for maintaining them	1
Hope it doesn't get too much bigger	1
Horrible cancer ruining water and air. CROOKS	1
I'm sorry that it is in Bethlehem, but now we need to live with it & prohibit further expansion	1
I am concerned about the safety of our water. Noise pollution. Odor.	1
I am okay with it	1
I am opposed to outside communities dumping here	1
I appreciate everything the Selectmen have been doing to maintain a relationship with this business. I encourage ongoing discussions on how to partner with landfill owners on energy projects.	1
I do not like the idea that a landfill is in Bethlehem, but it is here and we have to accept it. I think that NCES does the best it can to be a good community neighbor. As long as we live in a disposable society, we will always have a landfill	1
I don't have a problem with Casella	1
I don't know how the good people of Bethlehem let them into town in the first place and then let them stay and continue. The potential for damage to our environment as in not if but when. I'm sorry they are here	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
I don't like but if it is going to be there it should be generating energy by now	1
I don't like it. But I don't like spending tax dollars to fight it, because it takes away from the development of other important features in our town. I just want the landfill to be safe and not grow.	1
I don't love having them in Bethlehem. I worry about the long term affects with the water and land	1
I don't think it is right for our town. We have taken enough garbage I do not want to see it expand!	1
I don't think it should get too big	1
I feel that we need to limit/stop future expansion of the landfill. We are stuck with it now, but it should not expand to a larger size. Whatever revenue generation is occurring with the landfill in the short-term is not worth the long term loss of real	1
I hate it - this is the biggest blight on Bethlehem - I realize its complicated but so much money has been wasted - conflict created - I wish this horrible place did not exist	1
I hate the fact that the landfill seems to be unstoppable, continues to grow far above the tree line without any way to stop it. It has not in any way improved life in Bethlehem.	1
I have been consistently in favor of working with Casella and American Waste before that.	1
I have no issues	1
I have no opinion	1
I have no problem and actually pleased with how well it operates and the cleanliness of the facility	1
I have no problem with land fill	1
I like it	1
I look at it every day and can't wait for it to close. Smell and noise can be bad	1
I strongly think it should be permanently closed.	1
I think it's a shame that it has been such a source of divisive angst. But now that it is here to stay, I urge the select board to hold Casella accountable for what is outlined in the settlement agreement.	1
I think it is a little close to the river and in this day and age should have been an obvious consideration.	1
I think it is a necessary evil	1
I think it is improving since Casella has developed and recycle system and controls waste	1
I think it's an excellent operation - very neat and organized and I love the shed to take unwanted stuff down and pick up something needed	1
I think they are corporate criminals and the landfill is a blight on the town	1
I wish it never got into Bethlehem and I don't like to see its hills over the treetops. I think it is toxic to the air and ground water in town and if allowed to continue will only get worse. My late husband died from pancreatic cancer as well as other	1
I wish it was not in this town. We don't drink the tap water because of the landfill.	1
I worry about water pollution & leaky liners, as well as any incineration/air pollution	1
If we can send people into outer space we have to come up with a better way to deal with trash - the intelligence is there! Keep testing to see if the landfill impacts cancer rates please	1
Initially concerned for health threats. Would like managed audits / testing to confirm no health threats in ground water and air pollution. Control disposal by limiting only to local residents vs. accepting out of state disposal.	1
Issue if finally settled. We know how big it can get, but we're not bleeding money because of it.	1
It's a fact of life, get on with it	1
It's absolutely ridiculous. I don't have an eloquent way to express how much I hate seeing Mt. Casella get bigger and bigger every season on my drive home from work. I know a lot of trash is food scraps. Can we get community compost going? I know that'	1
It's awful and should be shut down. The Selectmen made a bad deal.	1
It's fine. It's been here forever, and it's not going anywhere	1
It's good, but the town blew many great opportunities to have it be a great benefit	1
It's here and not going away. DES does a good job monitoring and should continue	1
It's no longer a drain on town's budget.	1
It's ok, but should be strictly monitored for compliance with DES rules and agreement with town	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
it's operating according to state laws	1
It exists! It is working, discreetly located, well managed and a fact of life. The town has wasted enough money fighting it. Although the town should continue to monitor, they should not try to manage it.	1
It has been a defacement of the view encompassing the Presidential Range, environmentally unhealthy, and negative impact on the town, its residents and the environment. It should have been closed down years ago to preserve this beautiful area. It serve	1
It holds so much potential for the greater good of the town in a big picture view. Energy, host community potential is so great is could potentially reduce tax burden to everyone if we embrace a relationship with Casella and worked with them long term.	1
It is a blight upon the town and should be shut down	1
It is a danger, but legally is hard to control. The damage was done long ago. Do not spend funds on uncertain results. Identify actions which have high probability of success. Pick the battles we can win.	1
It is a regional asset that benefits Bethlehem. The town should inquire whether it can enter into a contract with the landfill operator and Eversource to use methane from the landfill to lower its electric bill	1
It is an eye sore and is a future black hole of expense to eventually clean it up	1
It is an eyesore and blight on the community. It pollutes the Ammonoosuc River.	1
It is fine and well managed	1
It is fine as it is	1
It is fine, no problems	1
It is fine.	1
It is great, hours of operation, staffed well but I am sure our taxes reflect it!!!	1
It is here - the 1st priority should be keeping it safe and up to date for our children's future. Maybe slow down the incoming garbage. Getting more money from them to help lower taxes.	1
It is here and not going anywhere. We could be getting a lot more if we had worked with them. Only people who won were lawyers	1
It is here, so why not use it to our advantage. It is not going anywhere	1
It is necessary. It is a shame that the methane gas produced goes to waste.	1
It is needed, but should not be taking so much refuse from other towns	1
It is very disturbing. Its location, operation and its efforts to influence town government actions should have been closed but now it needs watching for 10 more years	1
It poses a hazard to the environment and the future of the town	1
It serves a purpose - no more expansion (horizontal or vertical)	1
It should be closed as soon as possible and certainly by the date specified in the 2011-2012 settlement agreement	1
It smells and is noisy. The 18 wheeler traffic is horrid on Trudeau rd. I can see the mountain of garbage from my deck which doesn't enhance my views. I can also see the flame from my home	1
It sucks!!!! It SMELLS!!!	1
It was better when it was just for our town, now it smells here, we used to have clean sweet smelling air	1
It won't go away. Stop litigation and get the most - tipping fees, town service we can	1
It's fantastic :)	1
Its fine	1
Its fine, leave it alone - stop fighting it and wasting money	1
Its finished, leave it alone	1
It's got to be somewhere & seems to me that there are enough "watch dogs" that if they screw up, we will know it	1
It's here and its staying get over it	1
It's here take advantage of them; get anything from them we can!!!	1
It's here, deal with it	1
Keep it going. We need the tax base at the same time a viable corporation that will pay for any repairs in the liner. A small corporation owns the dump. Once it closes so does the corporation	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Keep it, but don't increase it	1
Landfill has and continues to generate division and dissention. It provides pollution to air and water and does not pay fair share of taxes	1
Landfill is serving community well	1
Landfill should not expand further - landfill should be used to produce electricity or heat of some kind - gas piped to Pine Tree Power?	1
Leave it alone - too much has been spent on it already	1
Leave it as it is and stop wasting taxpayer money in court!	1
let it alone	1
Let it go a settled	1
Let it lie! The people have said what they want	1
Let the agreement do its job and not listen to the anti-dump people	1
Let's finish the agreement and say good bye. Let's not spend tax dollars just because the same old bitches enjoy the sound of their voices	1
Like free trash and recycling. Don't want Casella to rush for more than what was done in negotiations and our vote	1
Like zero sort convenience. Hate "Mt. Washing Machine". Worried about long term leakage.	1
Live with it and stop paying law fees	1
Live with it. It's here	1
Monitoring ground water...and leave them alone	1
Mostly positive. I have lived in the area where the landfill contributed to taxes in addition to free trash removal for the residents. It was helpful and made the community very attractive to people wanting to build homes	1
Much ado about nothing. Provide good service	1
N/A	2
Necessary evil	2
Necessary evil however it should not be allowed to expand	1
Necessary evil; it here use it; utilize gas to energy initiatives; utilize gifts' from Casella for schools and woman's shelter	1
Need it	1
Need more information	1
Need to be maintained safely	1
Need to have it. More recycle the better	1
Need to work with and collaborate more. Missed the boat on this	1
Neutral	1
Neutral; it is far enough away that I (maybe mistakenly) do not think it is much of an issue; I am slightly concerned about runoff to the Ammonoosuc	1
Never saw it, so it must be well hidden	1
No comment	1
No landfill	1
No more expansion	1
No more expansion. Monitor smell	1
No opinion	2
No opinion, not current living in Bethlehem	1
No opinion. Doesn't seem to impact us. As long as we manage Casella and hold them to environmental standards	1
No problem	1
No problem. Look into other opportunities. What's next after it closes? It's not going anywhere. More benefits	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
None	2
Not a problem	1
Not a problem we all have garbage need a place to put it we don't want other garbage but we want to send ours away	1
Not cool	1
Not good; but with a begrudging acceptance of the current arrangement	1
Not positive - where are the significant tax reductions as a result of the "new agreement". Fundamentally a landfill should not be located in the greater White Mountains. Let's get it closed.	1
Not well informed, but like ability to recycle & have curbside trash & recycling	1
Ok	1
Poisonous - shut it down	1
Poor - built above an aquifer, too close to the river. No effective oversight	1
Private corporation. Settlement agreement is in place and we must honor the stipulations.	1
Real estate and tourism will suffer until it is closed. Close it Asap.	1
Seems to be working - Don't expand	1
Seems to be working adequately	1
Shame it has to be here, but here it is.	1
Should be closed sooner than later.	1
Should expand	1
Should have closed years ago. The town made a bad deal. That end of town smells of rotten eggs	1
should have let it close	1
Should have played ball a long time ago. Millions were lost	1
Should never have been allowed. Hate it.	1
Shut it down	1
SHUT IT DOWN	1
Shut it down...take trash elsewhere	1
Since we are stuck with the landfill I believe they should be utilizing the methane gas it produces. It seems such a waste when it could be used for heating homes.	1
Smells	1
Something no one in the town ever wanted. Forced on us by lies and treachery and by extreme corruption at the DES	1
Stinks - bums	1
Stop doing deals with the dump and get it capped and out of our lives FOR GOOD. It is a nuisance, it stinks, it STILL costs us money, and it does not benefit Bethlehem one bit. We were supposed to get a tax break by doing a deal and what did we get?	1
Stop the personality drive insanity. Work with Casella. We have to put our trash somewhere safely, cost effective, convenient	1
Strongly against	1
Sucks - too close to water lines and supply of both Bethlehem and Littleton	1
Take what benefits we can, don't fight it	1
Tax break, god knows we need whatever we can get	1
The board of selectmen should not have settled for 25 cents per ton. They should have walked away from that "deal" or negotiated a higher amount. They should make sure that the landfill closes when promised. Was a conservation easement ever signed	1
The folks who work at the transfer station are really nice	1
The landfill did not lower taxes as promised. I wish I had not believed the Select Board. It is a source of pollution and should not be allowed to expand. The town should monitor the river; have someone go when tests are taken. I am also concerned with t	1
The landfill is something our town government should be fighting to end, to terminate, with every resource	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
imaginable	
The landfill is too high. Please don't make it bigger	1
The landfill issue is over. There is a settlement and as long as both parties continue to up hold their parts the issue is done. It does not matter what my opinion is due to the non-issue. The town needs to continue to move forward.	1
The town has spoken - loaded question. No more "growth" for landfill	1
The town should have continued the right to not allow landfill expansion. It was a bad idea right from the beginning. Nothing has changed except the size of the landfill	1
They are doing a good job	1
They should work with the town to keep from ruining the environment	1
This is a necessary evil - so it needs to be managed properly. When we lived in Ossipee, the transfer station recycled everything and earned enough money to more than pay for the facilities and staff. We should decrease our dependence on Casella and t	1
This town should have embraced Casella years ago instead of spending 1 million + tax payer money fighting them	1
Too late now - yep selectmen settled	1
Town needs to have more control of landfill, receive more money dumping in town. It should be closed before it is higher than surrounding area monitoring of toxic discharge should increase its residents in area could have health issues	1
Town should benefit more	1
Town should not be involved in regulating the landfill. Select board should stick to running the town and not try to run the landfill. They spent too much of the taxpayer dollars on fighting the dump.	1
Trash has to go somewhere and is regulated. It keep town cleaner and less dumping areas into our resources	1
Trash must go somewhere, but why do we have to take it from other states & towns not near to Bethlehem? I think we should take only trash generated from a certain radius maybe 100 or 50 miles from Bethlehem. That would slow expansion needs	1
Ugh in general. No more expansion. Trash pickup and zero sort recycling great	1
Underutilized asset to the town. The town could benefit more and town agrees as shown in a 2-3 vote, but a few vocal artis stop any progress	1
Unfortunate part of Bethlehem's legacy!!!	1
Use them for more tax base	1
Very good opinion of landfill itself, but poor opinion of how town officials interact with Casella and how town residents view Casella	1
Very helpful. Considerate people. Good recycle program. Good for town! Could of been a great benefit to town	1
Very important asset to our community - job wise, tax wise and services to our community	1
Very risky - will there be significant health and environmental problems in the future? Will our quality of life deteriorate?	1
Very well managed	1
Want it closed!	1
Want there to be limitations on size	1
Want to insure it closes in the planned 5-8 years	1
We already have it so there is no point fighting it and spending huge amounts of money. I do think it should be carefully monitored and supervised to be sure all laws are being followed. If there are infractions or damages, Casella should adequately co	1
We got it might as well get as much as we can from them. It will never go away so suck it up and get all we can for taxes and whatever	1
We have it, why not take advantage of what they are willing to offer the town. The dump "issue" has been beat to death by a very few citizens in the town.	1
We need it, trash must go somewhere	1
We need to learn to live with it and minimized its impact. It's not going anywhere, and spending huge amounts on fighting it is wasteful and unproductive.	1
We spent way too much tax dollars fighting it	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Well mixed feelings about that. I look at it every day!! When I bought my property I was never told that it was a landfill. Maybe wouldn't have bought the property!	1
Well operated!	1
While it would have been desirable to have never had them in the town in the first place, I am glad the town is in better relations with them. I appreciate the free trash pickup and think they are doing a good job at that	1
Why waste more money on litigation when it is set to close anyway?	1
Would be nice if it wasn't there - but it is and always will be - need to receive whatever benefit we can from it	1
Would like to see it closed	1
Would like to see it done	1
Would like to see it stopped / capped off	1
Would want no further expansion beyond permitted at this time. Landfill should pay town higher tipping fees	1
You were not prepared for it	1

Appendix: Survey_Q32**Q32: What is your opinion about the Northern Pass?**

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Absolutely against it!!!	1
Absolutely do NOT need this!	1
Absolutely no	1
Again we need it, burying would cost a lot more money	1
Against	1
Against - should be buried	1
Against let other states take care of their own power.	1
Against Northern Pass - It will not help reduce electric rates for NH. It will have adverse effect on land usage and will ruin landscape	1
Against. No long term benefits to our region. Potential for long term decline in property values, loss of tourism, loss of natural resources to construct and maintain the infrastructure.	1
Another example of a corporate takeover in small communities that struggle to survive economically. So they exploit the people with promises of jobs, cheaper electricity with their convoluted lies and never looking back after they have destroyed the land	1
Approve it	1
As changed ok with me.	1
Bad	2
Blank	48
Buried underground using existing power lines "rights of way"	1
bury it and get a % of revenue ongoing	1
Bury	3
Bury in critical areas	1
Bury it	3
Bury it or don't build it	1
Bury it or forget it	1
Bury it underground.	1
Bury it!!!	1
Bury the line	1
Could help tax rate and temporary jobs	1
Definite no	1
Definitely NOT in favor	1
Do it 100% underground or not at all	1
Do not want to see any of our scenic value to be lost	1
Do not allow	1
Do not allow it	1
Do not allow. Preserve what we have.	1
Do not let them through	1
Do not like the idea	1
Do not need it - Power not coming to NH	1
Do not support	1
Do not want it	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Do not want to see it happen. Think it will - so would like to see it buried	1
Doesn't matter....it'll happen	1
Doesn't seem like a good idea as proposed	1
Don't allow it - another corporate boondoggle - does not help Bethlehem, NH or USA - NO	1
Don't really like the idea of huge power lines through the town. They should put them underground.	1
Don't see the need - lines should be buried and on state right of way	1
Don't want it; Don't want it. No towers!; Don't allow; Don't need it; Don't like it! Don't Want it!; Do not want!!	11
Enforcement of existing laws. EG signs, lighting	1
Fight it!	1
find a balance with power lines and views	1
Find that cons overweigh the advantages	1
Go away	1
Go for it. Need it	1
Green power for anyone is a good thing. Yes the world is changing, yes towers don't look pretty - But so many places can look beyond the negative and look at a big picture, the greater good prevails in my opinion.	1
Hate it unless buried and it generates long-term reasonable energy cost benefits to NH - otherwise we get all the pain but no gain	1
Hate it!!! NO NO NO NO!! Bury the line in transportation corridors	1
Hate it. Bury it.	1
Hate it. We must do everything we can reasonably do to stop it	1
I'll think of it more favorably if it reduces my tax burden.	1
I am fine with it	1
I am for conserving energy. NP is unnecessary and a disgraceful idea.	1
I am for it, but think it should be underground following major roads and highways	1
I am not a supporter	1
I am not interested in it	1
I believe environmental impact studies are "double talk" and fail to truly address the uniqueness of individual towns	1
I do not want it	1
I do NOT want it ...	1
I don't know enough about it beyond the rhetoric I've heard on both sides	1
I don't think it will serve the needs of the community other than pipe electricity to the south. I think we should be looking locally for solutions, not importing or passing power through.	1
I don't want it unless its buried underground & we get some long term benefit from it	1
I don't want the Northern Pass	1
I have no issue with NP as long as certain sections of line are buried underground.	1
I have no opinion	1
I have no problem with Northern Pass	1
I have not formed an opinion yet.	1
I hope it does not happen	1
I hope it does not run through Bethlehem. I am not overly for or against the project.	1
I really do not know enough about it to have an opinion, but I would hate to see any towers in my area	1
I think it should be allowed.	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
I think there would be more traffic and noise	1
I would rather it did not come through Bethlehem	1
I would rather look at power lines than wind mills. If it happens, please encourage hiking trails, ATV, snowmobile trails along the lines - bury cable if possible in areas	1
If all wires were buried it would fine	1
If allowed it should be buried	1
If it is done right it could be another great benefit	1
If it must go in, use existing site and burry line.	1
If it needs to be above ground, I would like to see it stay within current right of ways. I would prefer to see it be buried if possible. I also am concerned about the fact the power that is being generated is not going to be utilized by the NH grid.	1
If it won't benefit us - NO	1
If the Northern Pass helps pay for a new rail line from the Mass border to Littleton, NH then they can run their Northern Pass line beside the new rail line	1
If they bury the cables then fine, if not then no, I don't want them to ruin the scenery.	1
Initially I was opposed, but after watching the movie "Stop the Towers" now support it. Infrastructure upgrades including electricity are needed to advance all aspects of society. Hydro Quebec is a proven, responsible electric provider	1
It's a "power" play	1
It's bad for Bethlehem, bad for the north country and bad for New Hampshire	1
It has to go somewhere	1
It is inevitable. Work out the best deal you can for the town and people living along the right of way, otherwise you'll spend money on lawyers.	1
It is not good	1
It needs to be buried if it is going to happen.	1
It should be built	1
It should be stopped.	1
It should not be allowed. Realtors have told me perspective buyers are asking about it and it lower property values. The Northern Pass will do the North Country no good what so ever. Those tower will ruin views and the aesthetic beauty of our town, not	1
It should not be constructed. Many other options than the current proposal.	1
It should not come through the town...if it has to it should have to be buried. Overhead power lines are known to create health problems.	1
It should not happen unless it is completely buried. The impact on the North Country would be devastating, and it would not benefit the people of New Hampshire. The people pushing it think it would provide cheap energy and jobs for us, but that is not	1
It should not happen unless the lines are completely buried. No way if not.	1
It sits right on our property line. We are concerned.	1
It will ruin many vistas; I am opposed strongly; no benefit to us but great cost environmentally & aesthetically	1
It would take away so much of the beauty of the North Country...and decrease property values....and increase health risks. No Northern Pass	1
It's a shameless attempt by a corporation to exploit the landscape for its personal gain. There is no long term benefit to the state. Short-term jobs aren't worth the long-term damage.	1
Keep fighting!!! No Pass	1
Keep it out of New England	1
Let it fly	1
Let it come through	1
Let it happen all, ready have power lines here	1
line should be all under ground	1
Lines should be buried	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Lines should be buried or pass low to the ground as they pass over exposed and scenic areas	1
Listen to the people	1
Locate it in Vermont. Not here	1
Moderately for it	1
More money more jobs	1
N/A	1
Need it	1
Need more info	1
Needs more improvement in E-planning goals of program	1
Needs to be completely underground	1
Needs to go underground	1
Negative	1
Negative; I would like Bethlehem to join a large coalition to oppose it	1
Negotiate a solution. I think burying the line would be ok predicated on unbiased environmental impact statement / study	1
Neutral	2
Never ever	1
New England needs the energy, which comes from clean hydroelectric power in Canada. Power lines in scenic areas should be put underground	1
Nimby III they offer us and the rest of NH nothing but regret	1
No; NO NO NO NO NO; No; NO N.P.	10
No - unless it will help our town out with taxes	1
No comment	1
No do not want	1
No eminent domain, give us some of the power then if they acquire all necessary rows and easements, we can't stop it	1
No good	1
NO NO NO NO NO NO. The town should take more responsibility for educating people about it and its impact on Bethlehem.	1
No Northern Pass	3
No Northern Pass period!	1
No Northern Pass! It detracts from the beauty of the Whites and the tourism industry dollars.	1
No opinion	6
No opinion, necessary evil	1
No opinion.	1
No thank you!	2
No thanks. Should never have gotten as far as it has	1
No to Northern Pass. Lines underground might be fine.	1
No unless it is fully buried.	1
No way	1
NO WAY. If it's built it should be buried, especially near the high school. Some states wouldn't even allow it that close to a school due to possible health effects.	1
NO!	2
No! Just cannot see that NH / North Country will ever reap the benefits	1
No! No! No!	1
NO!!	2
No!! Will destroy beauty of area	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
No. I believe it will hurt the total economy of the White Mountains and the North Country. I will consider selling and leaving NH if that goes through. I love this state but feel this is wrong for NH.	1
No. Town should vote in a non-binding warrant to stand up against NP.	1
None; None particularly - don't know that I want it; Nope	4
Northern NH (including us) is too beautiful to be spoiled by a line to supply power to people who have spoiled their lifestyle already	1
NORTHERN PASS CAN KISS MY ASS!!!	1
Not a good idea	1
Not at all or buried. Preferably not at all. It will not benefit Northern NH and is a blight on our scenery	1
Not beneficial to Bethlehem	1
Not crazy about it!; Not crazy about this either	2
Not good.	1
Not in Bethlehem please	1
Not in favor	1
Not in my backyard. Any benefit to N. Grafton county has not been ably demonstrated to me	1
Not needed	1
Not needed by New Hampshire	1
Not sure	1
Of no benefit to the North Country	1
Offers no long term benefit to residents of NH. Property values will be adversely affected	1
Ok	1
Ok if buried	1
Only underground	1
Opposed	2
Overhead lines will be detrimental to the tax base and tourism industry. Not to mention subject to ice storm disaster. Many times I see tourists taking pictures of the Baker Brook Pond and foliage. The towers would ruin that area. Electro-magnetic r	1
Pass it	1
People - states need electricity. Hydro is the cleanest possible type. Let it pass through	1
People need to get electricity from somewhere and it would increase the tax base reducing the tax burden on the rest of us	1
People want cheaper power. Here it is. Stop fighting	1
Please move it somewhere else or bury it; don't do it all, no benefit to NH	1
Please no Northern Pass!!	1
Probably needed	1
Rather not see it built	1
Really, truly, bad idea - oppose Northern Pass	1
Sad to see - we are somewhat victims of clever planning! The area is going to suffer some if / when it's completed. Driving under and past it will be a downer	1
Shouldn't happen where we live if beautiful.	1
Should all be underground	1
Should be allowed to be built	1
Should be buried!; Should bury it; It should be buried	3
Should get something from power co.	1
Should let it happen	1
Should not be allowed unless totally buried - has no benefit to Bethlehem	1
Should not happen	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Should only go through if buried	1
Should pass	1
Shouldn't be done, taking private land not OK for foreign company	1
Some form is needed - prefer to bury lines	1
Stop it; Stop it!!; Stop it. No Way!; Stop Northern Pass; Strongly against; Strongly opposed	9
Sucks	1
The lines should be buried. No towers!	1
The Northern Pass must be stopped as it would be devastating to the landscape and the local economy.	1
There are pros & cons. A decision for the people & what is best for Bethlehem needs to be made. A "dangerousness" study needs to be looked at	1
They will do whatever they want. Also if it helps the majority, then let it go	1
Think it's a good idea. Have more jobs and lower cost of things	1
Totally against it. Unless it can be done entirely underground	1
Totally disagree. I don't like the idea of large towers spoiling our scenery	1
Unalterably opposed	1
Underground	1
Underground buried cables only	1
Underground is fine / no towers	1
Underground the entire way along state owned roads	1
Unless transmission lines are buried the length of the route through the state, it should not be permitted	1
Unnecessary evil - any and all monies should be directed towards alternative energy sources	1
Use existing row	1
Very poor!!	1
We absolutely MUST fight this. It is an outrage.	1
We all need energy and regulations maintain standards, let's get safer cleaner power	1
We are opposed to the current project plan, not alternative energy.	1
We don't need a new corridor for grid. Once, again if the corridors in existence were properly managed and updated, there would be plenty of room for the Northern Pass corridor to fit in the existing ones. I do not think they need to carve out a new co	1
We need additional energy, but the lines should be buried as they are in other states. The cost of burying the lines is being exaggerated.	1
We need affordable electricity, but placing the towers in scenic areas needs to be avoided	1
we need it	1
We need power. As long as people's property is not being taken from them I'm ok with it.	1
We need the power	1
We won't get any of the power from it, they can afford to bury the lines - let them do so	1
Would not benefit town	1
Yes	1
Yes, New Hampshire needs access to more power, especially non-CO2 power; it needs to be built	1

Appendix: Survey_Q33

Q33: What changes do you think would improve Bethlehem?

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Blank	73
1. Encouraging small business growth. 2. Improve marketing & Bethlehem promotions with a better online presence. 3. Promote town events / Colonial Theater, Farmers market, art walk, town day, Christmas	1
1. More public land (parks, forests, recreation). 2. More effort to attract and support small businesses, environmentally friendly business. 3. Zoning laws to support 1 and 2.	1
1. New "antique" street lights. 2. Paid town organizer for festival events	1
A big sign on Rt. 93 saying Rt. 302 not a good route for trucks – Rt. 3 is preferred Route	1
A little more/varied shopping. Small repairs or remove rundown buildings on 302. Internet and cable access for everyone	1
A more outreaching Chief of Police. Assistance in renovating the decrepit buildings in the town center	1
A select board that enforces the town laws. I believe there is a law about bear proof trash cans but there are cans tipped over everywhere.	1
Administrative assistant work during the week instead of on weekend's	1
Advocate for nuclear power	1
Affordable housing. Clean up Main St. Make more kid friendly activities / programs. Tourist friendly	1
Aggressively pursuing grant funding to reduce tax rate. Holding Casella accountable for tax revenue was contesting any tax abatement / reduction	1
allow more business	1
Allow real business in, not just little shops	1
Allow residents more freedom in building on their property. No restriction on newer mobile homes (manufactured homes.)	1
Allowing more business, including grocery & large retail & also more industry. Town & school budget should be discussed at same meeting.	1
An active Chamber of Commerce	1
Any way to lessen property taxes. Less regulation.	1
Anything would be improvement	1
Availability of needed services	1
Be more open minded	1
Be proactive in encouraging investment that will generate tax revenue and create employment. Add extra tax to seasonal and nonresident homes, perhaps in the form of a "homestead" tax exemption	1
Beautify downtown. Create a public parking town. Provide services for tour buses in summer	1
Become more business-friendly. Too many NIMBY (Not In My Backyard) opinions. Private property owners should not be subjected to the negative opinions/rants of those who simply want an "arts center" as the focus of Bethlehem.	1
Become more open to new business.	1
Better internet access to all, even in isolated areas. Cost of internet in isolated areas is prohibitive	1
Better post office building and parking; we need a dog officer	1
Better roads. Clean up middle of town / old buildings (falling down ones)	1
Better town leadership.	1
Bike trails; more open space	1
Bring businesses to town and create atmosphere which people in Bethlehem will prosper and property value will rise like in surrounding towns	1
Bring in a drug store / pharmacy	1
Bring in large taxed industry. Stop the schism - work together	1
Bring in more business so our tax rate would go down	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Bring more business into area - Hotels etc.	1
Bringing more businesses to the downtown area. Also, define zoning better. If you were to allow big box stores in Bethlehem, state in the zoning where they should be permitted.	1
Building improvements (a large percentage appear run down. Not a good model to the Town)	1
building ordinances to protect our quaint downtown	1
Business bike path	1
Central parking. Better sidewalks	1
Change Town Hall	1
Clean up abandoned and unsafe houses / properties. Require up keep of homes & properties	1
Clean up junk yards all over town. Encourage more agricultural activity with expanding season gardening and animals	1
Clean up messy buildings.	1
Clean up of blight properties, preservation and promotion of small farms, drive small businesses not industry.	1
Clean up the abandoned area coming into town. It gives a very poor opinion of the town.	1
Clean up the rundown buildings in the center of town. An ordinance against loud motorcycles and fireworks	1
Close landfill	1
Closing of the landfill is mandatory.....lower tax base is mandatory. We are one of the highest in the state. Property tax is important to anyone who is purchasing a home....encourage new small businesses...the landfill is a huge distraction	1
Commercial use of open space in town center	1
Condemn more old buildings or have them rebuilt or torn down	1
Continue to encourage the concept of the town being a cultural / arts / healing center	1
Cooperation among town leaders and agencies. Negative personalities need to go. Encourage growth tempered with wisdom. A positive happy town would attract more to come here. A bickering, angry town will keep people away. Perhaps a zoning law regarding	1
Cover the landfill with grass and bring more visitors.	1
Crack down on property owners who do not maintain premises	1
Do a better job maintaining appearance of public areas, park, gazebos - repair and replace - trim dead trees and remove others	1
Do away with the landfill and clean up the river.	1
Do not allow neighbors to leave their homes to become run down and looking like hoarder junk yards when everyone else tries to keep theirs looking nice	1
Dressing up Main St.!! Bring old school charm back to the town!!	1
Economic Development	1
Encourage small stores such as found in Littleton and Woodstock. Make use of land out of town for an industrial park or large stores	1
Encourage sustainable tourist friendly business on Main Street - how can it be that the Lloyd Hills restaurant space is still empty?!	1
Encouragement and incentives for small local businesses; zoning to keep out big box stores	1
Encouraging businesses like professional and health day care for seniors. Transportation for elderly	1
Enforcing zoning laws as they apply to junk on property	1
Establish a village district with strict usage guidelines prohibiting box stores, chains, etc. encouraging restaurants, shops & tourism	1
Expand the tax base	1
Explore feasibility of tapping rivers for hydro-energy/ solar on town bdlngs/gas to energy; brighter well-painted cross walks; ATV restricted access to downtown for gas & food	1
Fewer transient residents	1
Fewer vacant buildings on the Main S.t	1
Find ways to make Bethlehem more of a cultural/art center with things to do year round and that bring in more business for the town	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Fix the burned out eyesore on Main St.	1
FIX THE ROADS	1
Focuses on Main St, revise ordinances to preserve character/encourage similar dev. on vacant lots. Revise Dist. 1 to better preserve rural areas from development & preserve open space	1
Focus on Main St.	1
Full time police force, repair of secondary paved roads	1
Future development should address the balance of the tax base as it burdens the senior citizens who provide an inequitable portion of school taxes	1
Get Jewish business back - make homeowners clean up their property - Get rid of all junk around town	1
Get our financial act together. Stop all the polarized political BS	1
Get rid of dump	1
Get rid of dump. Newer structures going through town	1
Get rid of landfill	1
Get rid of our Police Chief and have Rick Ball. And let's get rid of most of the officers, they harass locals for no reason. We've been pulled over for no reason, after a cop came up fast on us high beams on, we stepped on it to get away and got pulled over	1
Get rid of the tree huggers	1
Get rid of the BOCA thing. All of the ridiculous inspections are discouraging people from building, which is going to keep the town valuation down and the tax rate up. The normal Joe should be able to build an addition without having to have the building...	1
Get rid the old guard. Close the dump now	1
Getting rid of / razing decrepit properties - Turners Tavern, House where AHEAD house will go, Baker Brook	1
Give half the golf course to an attraction like Great Escape / Great Wolf Lodge & Water Park or an Orvis Sporting Clay / Fishing Operation	1
Greater transparency / Expectations from local elected officials, i.e. legislative delegation	1
Growth-more incentives to attract small business. Maybe deferred on scheduled taxes on earnings/reduced property taxes while a business is establishing itself	1
Have fewer unsightly building structures on the Main Street; progress seems to be being made; hope	1
Have more things that teenagers can do.	1
Historical / Downtown District. More business. Less taxes	1
Honest Government	1
I am a 33 year old who moved up here 9 years ago to take a teaching job. I feel so out of place up here most days. Some kind of organization to keep the "transplants" here would be nice, it would allow us to network and learn how we can become involved	1
I do believe some environmentally friendly businesses would bring improvements, jobs, vitality	1
I think bringing in small locally owned and operated businesses to the village would be a great way to boost revenue and beautify the town.	1
I think health and human services should inspect trailers that have made it into ranch, but it's a trailer. I trailer should be inspected every year. The agage also because of refuse of hoarding refrigerators with rotten foods to be exact plus other was	1
I wish there was a cycle way or footpath that connected all the towns from the notch to notch. I feel such a link can connect tourists who only venture as far as North Conway or Lincoln to the rest of us in the White Mountains.	1
I would like to see place like the Maplewood Resort having summer activities to pull families from out of town to visit in the North Country	1
I would like to see small businesses. Restaurants, small gift shops, tourist type supplies.	1
Improve our town water! Or hire someone who knows how regulated the water system.	1
Improve the conditions of some of buildings along the Main St.	1
Improve the look of historic buildings and house. Paint them, bury the power lines.	1
Improve the look of Main St. Rte. 302 is horrible and the town is not set apart - you don't know you're there until you're passed through it. (I grew up in a similar town)	1

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Improve the Post Office which frequently misdelivers mail to wrong mailbox	1
Improvement of run down properties, especially on Main St. encourage small business to locate, with buildings that blend into the surrounding	1
Improving buildings on main street.	1
In the central Main Street area, bury the power lines. The view is spectacular, but is ruined by the lines. It would improve our ability to be a destination.	1
Incentives for small businesses to set up shop here. More support of the businesses that ARE here by the town. i.e. - Select board. The establishment of a Historic District and having the Select board to grow a spine and actually ENFORCE the laws and ordinance	1
Increased tourism	1
Increase downtown economic activity, more lodging on Main St.	1
Increased economy. Walking paths. Expanded farmers market (as opposed to craft fair)	1
Increased tax base	1
Industrial development	1
It is difficult for me to say. I have loved the town of Bethlehem for 50 plus years and I know that progress is necessary. Just be careful and maintain our integrity	1
It is time for Bethlehem to take a good look at the town owned golf course. Free golf for town officials is a not a reason to continue to invest in a money pit! A tax bill to a private owner would make more sense	1
It would be nice if we could all agree to disagree and get along!	1
Just about right.	1
Keep box stores out. Encourage more local artists & crafts	1
Keep doing what you're doing	1
Keep improving on the cultural events and keep large commercial development out	1
Keep small town feel but solicit a broader tax base	1
Keep status quo	1
Keep the town undeveloped, clean and visitor - friendly	1
Landfill has divided residents and the operation of the town will continue to suffer	1
Less government	1
Less old....	1
Less self-interest exercised by town government (so what else is new?)	1
let more business in, not just little junk shops on main street	1
Let people build and develop	1
Light industry / commercial business out of the historic downtown to support the tax base	1
Little more promotion.	1
Long term planning and dialog among all stakeholders. We need to create a vision for the Bethlehem we want our grandchildren and their children to live in.	1
Looking good! Can't think of any changes	1
Low taxes. Less government interference with residents. Fewer rules and laws	1
Lower property taxes; I've never seen anything like this in my life	1
Lower school costs! If I did it again I would retire in a different town based on taxes	1
Lower taxes	2
Lower taxes be more inviting to interested companies	1
Lower taxes less spending on police cars Library SIGNS ETC...WHO PAYS FOR THIS TAXPAYERS??? Put our taxes to work using for more important things!!!	1
Lower taxes so owners could put the money back into their property to improve the looks of their home.	1
Lower taxes to encourage working class families to move to Bethlehem. Encourage other businesses to move to Bethlehem creating jobs in town. Stop trying to be like Sugar Hill and Franconia	1
LOWER TAXES!	1
Lower taxes!!! People are selling / losing homes due to high taxes. More recreational activities	1

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Lower taxes, especially for schools. They must live within their means and need to do some drastic cutting. In 2014, I paid 28% of my adjusted gross income to property taxes. They also need to be more equitable.	1
Lower taxes. Less spending from the schools. The amount of taxes that go to the schools is ridiculous.	1
Lower taxes. State needs a sales / income tax to help lower rate	1
Lower the tax rate. We are the highest in NH. Only allowing business in to the town will help in this area. Going into Littleton for everything does not help Bethlehem	1
Lower the taxes so people can afford to live here. People look at our taxes compared to surrounding towns when they buy or want to see properties. Would love to see a cleanup / rebuilding of Baker Brook Hotel actually happen!	1
Main street is dead in Winter. Why? Why is Colonial closed half the year? We need to be open to more tourists in town.	1
Mandatory clean up junk places	1
Marketing	1
More 2nd home tax base	1
More acceptance of change	1
More active village center - fewer half used or unused buildings; implement a light pollution ordinance to preserve the splendor of night skies; so few places can still see the Milky Way at night	1
More attention being paid to its historic past - the old coaching parades were wonderful. Restore the train station building & move it to the empty lot by the fountain as the centerpiece of advertising the history of the town	1
More boutique shops to get pass through tourists to stop and spend \$\$ in our town. More hiking trails bike baths jogging trails would be great	1
More business	3
More business opportunity, growth in tax base brings better services, roads, let's get an active plan or committee together that could work on development and growth to bring revenue, jobs, families to buy many of the empty homes and bring the town forward.	1
More business, lower taxes	1
More business, reduce school budget. Appointed tax collector	1
More businesses	2
More businesses. Friendly small town feel	1
More commerce / business	1
More economy. Lower taxes. More restaurants	1
More industry, business. Less apartments and low income housing	1
More main street businesses that can link to other local resorts. We drive past Bethlehem to Littleton for groceries, drug store goods etc. we would love to not do that and be able to get basic necessities on Main Street.	1
More monies spent on Golf Course and open restaurant 7 days week at golf course, invest in golf facilities	1
More of an effort to attract tourists, including public restroom. I'm a believer in supporting public school but question whether Profile HS is doing enough to either control costs or try to bring in more non-tax revenue	1
More people getting along. Getting rid of some of the good old boys and clicks in town	1
More pride in appearance of downtown properties - it's the image of the town. Also - do something about the abandoned camp grounds (around the pond) - it's the gateway to town! awful first impression	1
More public transportation from the Mass border and in Bethlehem. Better health care and make it a retirement town	1
More recreational equipment and outerwear suppliers and more fine dining and pubs for some nightlife for tourists. No more artsy/crafty businesses - not needed as much as other businesses to bring more money into the community that would provide more	1
More restaurants and offices	1
More restaurants, hotels, tourist infrastructure & parking	1
More restaurants, small shops, reinstitute weekend flea market, offer more special festivals, events, as mentioned refurbish signs for historic main St. famous sites. Extremely interesting to tourists	1
more small business down town	1

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More small businesses in the downtown area. The Village and the Town of Bethlehem should be consolidated to eliminate layers of bureaucracy and wasteful duplication of effort.	1
More social things to do- more things for teenagers to do- keep parks nice- so people want to use them	1
More stores, more things for kids to do	1
More taxable properties	1
More things for the kids to do. A YMCA	1
More things to do and bring people to town to spend money and bring revenue to town. Lincoln would be a good example of a growing community	1
More tourism and events to draw a younger crowd and accommodations in the price range/targeted for millennials. This town is hopping in the summer with all the festivals, we need more town gatherings in the other seasons like an a chili festival/ contest	1
More town support to new businesses. Very few towns' people do this. Historically that has been true and needs to change	1
N/A	1
Need to get rid of the nay sayers	1
New selectmen who follow town laws	1
No landfill	1
No opinion @ this time, good as it is	1
No opinion, not current living in Bethlehem	1
Not sure	1
One or town bigger brighter restaurants. Some hiking trails to attract tourists and bring funds in. A large info center with gift shop, like toll booth center, but small. A large, clean, bright antique store	1
Paint the apartment house that is with the general store	1
People attitude towards the town	1
Planning / Zoning be more open to new businesses - not so "nit-picky". Make owners clean up areas that are detrimental looking in town	1
Plant more trees	1
Please PLEASE do something about our water. If you read the information our town water is HORRIBLE! I cannot even believe it is not a higher priority. Making our townspeople pay more to give us clean water is embarrassing and insulting.	1
Please tear down vacant falling down houses	1
Police Department could benefit from improved training and better supervision. No follow through on citizen complaints, which is a very easy fix. Officers could easily follow up with complaints to make sure people are satisfied, which would enhance pub	1
Police Department is out to lunch this is not New York. Reduce town government, police too big. Need select people that are open to opinions. Do not need full time Fire Chief with Volunteer Department	1
Promotion of business and the generation of jobs	1
Protect and improve the integrity of the historic downtown area from commercialization	1
Recreating (reclaiming) the field across from the town store, meaning cutting down brush and using the field again for the town's activities	1
Reduce Police Department, but budget use part-time Fire Chief we only have volunteer fire dept. what are we paying for. Remove all present select people	1
Removal of derelict buildings	1
Removal of some old buildings for renewal second or larger gas station. Restaurant that would serve full breakfast - lunch	1
Replace / eliminate street lights with lower cost, environmentally friendly lighting. Its healthier & costs less	1
Restoring Mt. Agassiz as a ski resort, similar to what Littleton has done to Mt. Eustice	1
Retail businesses that fit in with the town character	1
Revamp the old dilapidated buildings which are currently happening. Get Rennells back	1
Reversing 24/7 Police / No full time fire chief	1
Sell Country Club; Do away with full time fire Chief position; cut back on cruiser fleet & hwy trucks	1
Sell the golf course conditioned on the land remaining a golf course - open to the public. Encourage vibrant	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
downtown. More town wide events - community spirit. Christmas activities are wonderful	
Shovel sidewalks to prevent injuries downtown	1
Small business opportunities. Consideration of infrastructure investment to recruit capital/entrepreneurs to consider our town.	1
So glad to see the town pool back. Best thing that has happened to improve our little town. Keep it going	1
Spruce up the center of town - make it attractive for visitors and folks interested in being business owners.	1
Starting from the ground up. Separate the rec dept. into after school, community/athletics	1
Stay small	1
Stop being "anti" everything	1
stop blocking the baseball batting cage development	1
Stop making the planning and zoning process so lengthy and hostile preventing developments from coming into town	1
support small business	1
Tax incentives to upgrade historic buildings	1
Teaching tolerance in schools	1
Tear down abandoned properties. Improve the look of Rte. 302 through town. Keep taxes low	1
Tear down buildings that have caved in & redevelop those plots - preserve historic buildings	1
The addition of well-placed light industry	1
The Colonial is an excellent draw to the downtown - it would be great if the downtown area around it had businesses and activities to keep them around (cafe, bookstore, a real Jewish deli, newsstand) that provide places to meet up and enjoy	1
The current tax structure continues to adversely affect Bethlehem - SIGNIFICANT reductions need to be made. The current rate is far from competitive with surrounding communities. What is the justification for this?	1
The Politicians	1
The pool should be closed / filled with cement. It is nothing but a money pit for the legal taxpayers	1
The tax rates, the town selectman, the availability of newer homes, and adding more businesses/job opportunities to attract a younger demographic of professionals.	1
The town needs to have more activities for the children, keep them off the streets	1
The trail from the house / big tree in Bretzfelder Park (Heritage Trail) should be enlarged for x-country skiers in getting out to the other trails. I would like to see more x-country trails in town. Hiking trails too!	1
The water issue needs to be addressed. There should be no warning about drinking water....when will this be solved?	1
There are many old dilapidated buildings that need to be torn down and not just on Rte. 302	1
Too many run-down structures	1
Town looks dumpy - not sure how much can be done by town if issues of up keep are private properties though	1
Truck traffic on Main St. Route it around Bethlehem 93 to Rt.	1
Utilize golf courses better - sell condo lots for high value 2nd homes	1
We have to reduce property tax.	1
We need a Dog Park. There is a lot of land around downtown that could be fenced in and a fee could be paid at Town Hall or the Library so much for residents and more for non-residents and a daily fee for people vacationing or on their way though.	1
We need to get more businesses in town. Tax on people & family's living in town getting our services & schools for free tax them like everyone else	1
We need to increase tax base.	1
We need to preserve what can be preserved and have property owners maintain their property. The Arlington is one of the last remaining hotels on Main St. and it is in disgraceful condition. If they can't afford to maintain it, they should sell it	1
We need to welcome new private businesses to revitalize downtown and promote foot traffic year-round. Colonial theater should be open year-round	1
We should try to get some small business in our town so that people could find some work without driving out of town - Most all employed have to drive up to 30 miles for work	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Whatever will grow the economy	1
Widen the tax base. We need more businesses.	1
Would be good to have some attractions. People come to this area for recreation, have money to spend. Apple orchards, restaurants, wineries. If you build it, they will come. Keep it classy and use the areas natural resources. Clean up the Ammonoosuc Rive	1
Zoning ordinances to protect the fragile business ecosystem downtown, creating a downtown Arts and Business Association to focus on attracting businesses and increasing tourist traffic.	1
Zoning to include residents cleaning up their yards. It is so frustrating to travel in this beautiful area and then see everyone's junk all over their yards	1

Appendix: Survey_Q34**Q34: What is your biggest concern about the present and future of Bethlehem?**

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Dread a box store opening on the town field. that would destroy the town - do not allow a national chain box store in town - short term minor gain - long term disaster	1
187 properties for sale in Bethlehem and none are selling - means no one is interested in coming here	1
Abandoned buildings and high property taxes	1
Affordability	1
All of the above	1
All the trashy old buildings look like a third world town	1
Allowing more businesses for everyone	1
Apathy	1
Being duped by Coos Country ATV mafia (North Country ATV Coalition - Harry Brown) that this is a good thing for this community. Cluster development - condo's	1
Being able to afford to live here.	1
Being stuck in the past and being afraid of change	1
Bethlehem has no real future other than continue on the way that it is. To expand business on Main St. would need removal of old buildings that probably won't happen	1
Better town leadership - we were promised lower taxes for cutting a deal with the landfill and that didn't happen.	1
Big box stores and large industry coming into town which would destroy its charm	1
Big buildings are coming down and nothing is replacing them	1
Big businesses taking over our town!	1
Biggest concern is so many folks are afraid of change, they fear growth, and changes from the famous phrase often heard "How the town used to be". People need to realize the town needs to grow, needs revenue and can't support its current path.	1
Blank	70
BVD fees! It is getting too expensive to live in the district.	1
By ignoring the high budgets of this police, fire, country club we are allowing our taxes to rise to this point of no return. Schools should be supported but not by adding personnel for every problem	1
Can I afford to continue living here	1
Cleaning up Main St., fix those houses that are an eye sore	1
Commercialization	1
Concerned box / chain hunch will come in	1
Continued rape by the dump	1
Continue tax base / school and town expense ratio	1
Continued expansion of the landfill	1
Continued rise in real estate taxes will result in exodus of residence and deferment of young first time home buyers. Bethlehem will become toxic wasteland due to landfill catastrophe	1
Cost of education	1
Create more appeal for people to move here or 2nd homes	1
Currently it is the police department. I feel they need to be more engaging to the residence of Bethlehem and have better follow up regarding break ins and stolen property.	1
Declining tax base	1
decreasing and aging population	1
Dilapidated buildings that are dangerous and unsightly. Not being able to keep young professionals around due to lack of a sense of community	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Dishonest Government	1
Dump will expand. Taxes will keep going up	1
Dying community	1
Economic development at stand still because of behemoth landfill - Stop them now	1
Economy & tax structure	1
Effects of the landfill	1
Employment	1
Environmental Degradation	1
Everyone is crooked, stealing from town, remember refrigerator gate at BCC ambulance crew showing up drunk to a call (name: _____) firefighters starting fires (_____, who works for town now), Need to clean it up, Howard Sanborne must be very disappointed	1
Expanding junk yards	1
Find a way to incorporate more rec areas for kids. A rec center, perhaps in a place where kids can walk or ride their bikes to and use the facilities for sports and games	1
Future of Bethlehem not to bright - What people want or need to go to Littleton for food, medicine, shops/delivering pizza/dollar store, you name it	1
Getting away from the friendly small town rural feel and becoming more like a cold tourist trap city.	1
Getting more business into town to increase revenue and improve the infrastructure.	1
Going in in right direction	1
Growing too fast for our taxes	1
Health affected by the landfill (cancer, etc.)	1
High property taxes are making it impossible to remain in this town	1
High property taxes, hostile attitude toward new businesses coming to town. Main St. business owners don't want competition, colonial theater is not open in winter	1
High taxes	4
High Taxes	1
High taxes ,out of control school spending and very poor roads	1
High taxes and driving people away. Becoming a ghost town due to lack of desire to change. No businesses around to support labor force to afford Bethlehem revenue demands	1
High taxes can't afford to live here	1
High taxes, poor roads, out of control school spending	1
High taxes, poverty, many homes for sale. Not a good tax base.	1
High taxes. Lack of revenue	1
HIGH TAXES. HIGH TAXES. HIGH TAXES! We need to promote tourism, hotels... People don't stop in Bethlehem.	1
Higher taxes	1
Higher taxes for the poor people	1
I'd like to maintain the character of the town but encourage people to move there too. It doesn't seem appealing to a person who is looking for a home when I come down Main St. It's really dated.	1
I am afraid the town will lose its small town feel.	1
I am concerned about the high tax rate for 2 reasons. One is that it will keep potential new residents away. Two it creates a mentality in which people look for a quick fix. I would be worried that a quick fix would solve a short term problem but cause	1
I am worried about zoning, frankly. I bought a house downtown because this town is so charming, and unique. If a dollar store goes up, or some other big box crappy plastic nonsense, I will not only be heartbroken, but I will move.	1
I don't want to see any expansion of the landfill, I want it shut down. I also worry they will try to make it a trash to methane facility, that would be totally unacceptable. Also ruining the rural character of Bethlehem by encouraging industry. No ex	1
I have no say in how this town is run, but it's the highest rate of all 5 towns/cities I pay property taxes in!	1

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I probably won't live long enough to see great changes	1
I think Bethlehem is a lovely town which is in a good position to attract vacationers who want to visit a beautiful area. I worry that things that would uglify it will be allowed.	1
I think taxes should be reduced	1
I think that we need to be careful about the scale of a development - as in no box stores as this can quickly destroy the sense of a small village center	1
I want our standards to grow without allowing large malls and other large commercial development	1
I wish Bethlehem would continue to be a small town void of any strip malls	1
I worry about it being overrun with big box shopping stores that take away from its charm. I also worry about the questionable apartments and abandoned cottages outside of the town by the highway.	1
I would like to know why our taxes are so high compared to neighboring towns!!	1
I would like to see a Catholic Church Parish in Bethlehem in the future. Also would like to see quick disposition of unsafe structures like the Cedarcroft building and the Cruft Building	1
If taxes continue to go up - fewer people will move in - need tax revenue from businesses	1
Incompatible development to offset taxes - a balance must be found between growth & retention of the charm of Bethlehem	1
Increase in taxes	1
increased taxes , constant bickering within the town officials	1
Increasing number of vacant buildings due to a lack of investment	1
It is becoming a place for many drug problems	1
It is quaint. I would like it to stay that way. Some tourist businesses would be good but not too much	1
It's a lovely part of the world. People are very interesting and live well	1
Keeping small town character	1
Keeping the town friendly while insuring that the community grows to cover the increasing tax burdens	1
Lack of economy - needs an influx of business / arts	1
Lack of growth	1
Lack of knowledge and training in some very important positions such as tax collector	1
Lack of local jobs	1
lack of opportunity for growth	1
Land values	1
Landfill	2
Landfill liability. Any relator will tell you it's scaring people away and it depresses property values	1
Landfill polluting the river. No drag strip	1
Large scale commercial development	1
Like most of northern New England - it will be nothing but old people as younger people leave for better jobs and more opportunity	1
Look of property improvement, allowing buildings to deteriorate, presenting an eyesore to the community and tourists and decreasing property values	1
Losing the friendly atmosphere	1
Lousy Management	1
LOWER TAXES!	1
Lower taxes, people don't want to move into our town after seeing taxes (tax rates)	1
Mail delivery	1
Maintaining the character and ambience of our town and the diversity of residents	1
Money. Somehow we manage to be over taxes and yet underfunded	1
More development that is planned	1
More freedom, less government	1
My biggest concern is that the town will not be able to keep up with the times because it cannot attract	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
businesses or young professionals to the area. There is a balance between maintaining a "small town" atmosphere along with welcoming new individuals	
N/A	2
Need more tax revenue from businesses? Too much of a burden at present on home owners.	1
Need more young people with vision & new ideas	1
Need to change with the times	1
Need to grow	1
Needs to have a sense of direction for the future - a plan. Appearances are everything - very spotted. Landlords/property owners need to be held accountable for the appearance of their properties	1
No Big Box stores or heavy commercial or industrial development except on route 116	1
No enough businesses, taxes too high	1
No expansion of the landfill or the creation of Northern Pass	1
No one can or wants to live here taxes out to lunch, town employees to many dept. heads should be tax payers	1
Nobody seem to do anything with Main St. it is a ghost town	1
None	3
Not enough business	1
Not enough business to offset private landowners' tax burden.	1
not enough business, not enough employment	1
Not enough young people here. We need to grow our population base in order to remain self-sufficient and not become dependent on Littleton for services like fire ambulance etc.	1
Not good	1
Not to lose its history & small town charm. Not to be over developed. Always to remember the town's past	1
Not to lose the small town in the mountains atmosphere	1
Old	1
On concern is maintaining the integrity of Main St. Having the oldest continually operating theaters in the states on one corner and a big box store or family dollar type on the next would be a shame	1
Opposition to any and every new business by the same small group of vocal residents. They have access to press and scare new business out of town.	1
Our young people will not return.	1
Out of character developments	1
Out-of-staters (like me) move and change the very thing that brought us to the area in the first place!!!	1
Over development	1
Over development brings crime & higher taxes	1
People who don't keep up their property and put blights on neighborhoods	1
People will be losing homes - more foreclosures. People don't want to come because taxes are so high.	1
Phasing itself out by not staying current	1
Pollution from the dump	1
Potential disaster at landfill with insufficient resources to cure it.	1
Present concern=Town residents needing to leave area which could turn population down; effect on schools/families. Future Concern=Infrastructure investment, ensure we can support growth by planning now.	1
Present: None in particular; Future: Possible traffic change from proposed Dalton Speedway and Northern Pass property value implications	1
Present: downtown is dead in winter. Future: if we don't bring more tourism, population to town, we'll be paying for it in taxes	1
Preserving the beautiful land and architecture that exists - making prudent decisions about that	1
Property tax - very unfriendly to fixed income families	1
Property taxes way too high. Drug problems in the region	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Property taxes. The town has made tough decisions to keep costs down. Our schools are the largest impact on taxes. Sick of hearing that if you do not support teacher salaries- they will leave for higher paying districts.	1
Property values	1
Raising taxes	1
RE taxes, school expenses increasing much faster than incomes leading to declining conditions of properties. Too many renters making rich landlords at the same time not covering the cost of town services	1
Real estate taxes too high	1
Reducing tax burden - very high for retirees in particular	1
Reputation of the landfill and diminished property values	1
Retaining young families with decent paying jobs. Garnet Hill's recent changes are a great loss for Bethlehem, even though it's in Franconia. Also, I don't think that the size of the town justifies the size of the police department or a full-time fire	1
Right now-out town is stagnant and needs more business.	1
Rising taxes	1
Rising taxes forcing average people out & only wealthy vacation home owners being "houses - people"	1
Safe water	1
Same as 33	1
School budget way too high - get realistic. Need to promote Bethlehem to bring in more industry and tourists	1
School taxes - out of control - unsustainable when 70% of tax goes for school support. Tax free NH unless you own property	1
School taxes too high	1
See question 34.	1
Select Board	1
Spending	1
Stagnation - loss of younger generation due to lack of employment and housing opportunities	1
Tax burden. Next year I reach retirement age and will not be able to afford living in Bethlehem. I live outside the district in a small home that is over-valued. I won't be able to pay \$4K plus in property taxes. I'll be moving after living here for 30 y	1
Tax liability-too dependent on property tax. need a homestead exemption for senior citizens	1
Tax rate - need to get businesses in and to stay	1
Tax rate appears high for the amount of money reinvested in the town	1
Tax rates when we retire in Bethlehem	1
Taxes	4
Taxes - how can we get them down?	1
Taxes - landfill	1
Taxes - our taxes are way too high and with more development will only go higher	1
Taxes and a small click running the town	1
Taxes and bringing younger people in that want to raise families and participate in town events and politics	1
Taxes and Northern Pass	1
Taxes are high	1
Taxes are out of control. The Board of Selectmen needs to get their act together and work for the people. Businesses need to be allowed in this town	1
Taxes are too high	1
Taxes are too high - I believe this is a deal breaker for some people looking for properties to purchase	1
Taxes are too high for homeowners, especially retirees	1
Taxes are too high! Compared to other areas	1
Taxes are very high. I'd like those to go down by getting more business here. I don't want big box stores, but rather keep the quaintness of the town.	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Taxes elderly. Who wants to live here. Town employee heads should live in town	1
Taxes especially school rates.	1
Taxes going up	1
Taxes much too high	1
Taxes rising and no tourism or full time jobs and cliché government!	1
Taxes too high	1
Taxes!	1
Taxes, land, price of properties	1
Taxes. Low housing assessments	1
Taxes. Schools need to be controlled RE: spending	1
That a Dunkin Donuts or other chain would be built. That it will lose its small town feel	1
That high tax, no conveniences, no jobs and house market is driving residents away and not attracting younger people to live in Bethlehem.	1
That I can't stay here due to high taxes	1
That it becomes shabby, neglected and loses its small town, artsy appeal	1
That it will become dilapidated looking and lose its attraction to tourists	1
That it will lose its identity and become like surrounding towns	1
That it will stay status quo	1
That our town government can't agree that we need to move forward. We have a beautiful town that could be great with cohesive leadership. Actively seek out and help potential business owners, rather than create barriers.	1
That the children will be so bored and hopeless they'll all leave	1
That the Colonial would be closed down	1
That the loud minority will cost the quiet majority more tax money by running future businesses out of town or trying to figure out ways to sue landfill.	1
That the schools BES and Profile HS cost the tax payers \$19.80 a thousand on tax bill	1
That the town settles for low income housing and box stores to subsidize its running costs. That	1
That we are not attracting young families who are invested in the Town.	1
That we will let the town have poor economic growth & see more shops / restaurants close. We need thoughtful development that encourages a small, historical feel with busy shops, restaurants etc.	1
The community could kill itself economically with over regulation and failure to adapt to the world's changing economy	1
The current ultra conservative views of town leadership that impacts an adventuresome approach to Bethlehem are moving "outside" the box	1
The demographics. Everyone is getting older.	1
The dump, property taxes, village district taxes	1
The environmental impacts of the dump and the general health of people who live here. Our crappy water supply that we pay a fortune for. That the small town charm of Bethlehem will be ruined by box stores and big business (or junk like dollar stores)	1
THE EXCESSIVE TAXATION!!!	1
The growing divide between "US-Them". Growing sense of bureaucracy and loss of "local control"	1
The historic look of Bethlehem. I remember when most the buildings were white with green trim. It made the town harmonic	1
the lack of openness to growth	1
The landfill and northern pass creating unsightly views and health risks. Taxes are too high.	1
The small town politics	1
The tax rate and the landfill	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
The taxes are killing people - we cannot afford to fix up our properties	1
The taxes are out of line with what most towns in N.H. This needs to be addressed or current owners will not be able to afford their homes when they retire. Too many police officers doing nothing at night, just harassing drivers	1
The tendency to seek a return to the diverse past	1
The town will let big business in and it'll become a mini Littleton	1
The water system should be of great concern. We used to have 30 hotels. We had little in the way of shortages. I don't think we should drill wells. Purification system for what we have should be looked into	1
There is very little tax base beyond property tax and I think this will force all desirable property owners elsewhere. There needs to be some business and industry or the town's future is bleak.	1
There needs to be a cross walk for pedestrians next to Hill View Apartments on Agassiz St. for the elderly and handicapped residents	1
There's no long term planning	1
This is a wonderful community and should remain so; however consideration should be given to create an ordinance requiring hazardous properties to be demolished. There are too many burnt buildings left standing	1
To have neighbors on our street clean property up. That affects resale value of home to get a fair price for sale. Enforce encroachment on other properties. Trees too close to power lines. No trailer or double wide allowed in village and existing one ha	1
To maintain a good level of life	1
To see it grow with the presentation of being bright, clean and friendly. instead of being held back with old fashioned hateful, idealists ways and the hate of flat landers	1
Too much commercialization	1
Too much in fighting	1
Too much population growth	1
Unprofessional "Leaders"	1
Water supply quality	1
We lack a plan - we have a solid art basis now that could be developed, advertised and championed by locals. Pride in the town could improve	1
We need more tax payers.	1
We need to attract business... Protect our downtown so that we grow RESPONSIBLY.	1
WE need to bring back tourism. The Hasidic Jewish visitors add nothing to our economy	1
We need to expand for the future. Create jobs	1
We will be bankrupted in the near future, our home owners cannot support this town any more taxes are high enough	1
What will be the long term environmental issues when the landfill closes	1
Why restaurants cannot make it on Rt. 302	1
Would love to see another reincarnation - not sure what it would be based around though at this point	1
Zoning is definitely needed now and in future	1

Appendix: Survey_Q35

Q35: What do you consider the best thing about living/owning property in Bethlehem?

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
A nice quiet town that hopefully maintains progressive values and is a great place to raise kids. Folks seem very nice here	1
A very welcoming, caring community	1
Access to all the outdoor activities, rural charm, shops and growing emphasis on arts and friendly small-town atmosphere	1
Access to wonderful views and outdoors activities	1
accessibility to the outdoors	1
Atmosphere, people, police & fire department	1
Beautiful area	1
Beautiful area to live in. Close to I-93 for easy access. Great outdoor opportunities. Excellent schools.	1
Beautiful environment with a rich history	1
Beautiful location, friendly people, small town benefits, new library, weekend summer concerts, close access to ski areas and golfing	1
Beauty	1
Beauty - the Rocks Estate	1
Being in the heart of the mountains	1
Being surrounded by the woods and wildlife. A unique Main St. with shops and a village grocery store - a wonderful theater - a real "old time" village feel; yet everything you could want in a modern world	1
Bethlehem has been a wonderful place to live based on our family priorities - simplicity	1
Bethlehem is a community filled with good kind people and is a "small" town.	1
Bethlehem is a wonderfully historic town	1
Bethlehem is just not that special. I do like having street lights	1
Blank	75
Christmas in Bethlehem! I love the artist / farmer community. This and the schools are our strength. The history of this village is crumbling and we might as well be pragmatic about this and start taking charge of how we build new structures and demolish	1
Clean air and water	1
Close to everything, good schools, two golf courses in town, ski areas close to town, hiking close to town.	1
Close to Littleton and its businesses.	1
Colonial Theater	1
Colonial Theater, WREN, antique stores	1
Community members	1
Community village store, WREN, Bretzfelder, Cold Mountain, Rosa's, Maya, Art shows, Colonial	1
Cost of ownership; outstanding natural beauty; four season recreational opportunities	1
Country Atmosphere	1
Crime rate very low - (good!)	1
Cultural center in area of Colonial Theater and WREN. Small town atmosphere with village grocery and Methodist church	1
Excessive tax rate; we never should have built the high school we should have expanded education regionalization options	1
Friendliness of most all. Tax rate reasonable	1
Friendly atmosphere	1
Friendly people, small town	1
Friendly people. Fabulous location. Quiet. Air. Views	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Friendly, helpful community, accessible PD, FD, Town Officers	1
Friends	1
Good "village" vibe. Small town feel, stores, Colonial, gazebo concerts, The Rocks, Bretzfelder, golf courses. Neighbors are amazing	1
Good air, good water? great golf courses. People are starting to think about bringing things back to the way they should be	1
Good friends & beautiful county	1
Good neighbors	1
Good neighbors, fresh air. Colonial, WREN and Cold Mtn.	1
Good people, fresh air, location	1
Good question?	1
Good schools.	1
Great community	1
Great library - Bretzfelder Park. nice little downtown area	1
Great place to raise kids	1
Great school system	1
Great schools	1
Healthy living? It's great. Great pool. Great efforts by many people. BHS alumni, library workers, gazebo concerts, etc.	1
High taxes	1
Home town closeness, everyone helps each other out when they're hurt or in need	1
I am somewhat isolated from Main St. area	1
I find the street well plowed in the winter and the phone notices when there is an impending storm or power outage	1
I like the small town atmosphere	1
I like the small town charm, the quiet and the natural beauty	1
I like the smallness of living here and the safe atmosphere	1
I live close to Littleton. Not many homes. Convenient location	1
I love being able to walk around to the local businesses and love going to the farmers market in the summer and the Colonial theater. I love going to Bretzfelder park and I love the community feeling in Bethlehem.	1
I love living in a small town and Bethlehem provides me this. I can walk to the Library, Post Office and the Village Store. I especially like Bretzfelder and its trails	1
I love my quiet spot, the wildlife that visits my yard, my privacy. I love being close to many mountains for skiing and hiking	1
I love that I own land and the people in the town are so nice.	1
I love the natural areas in and near the town. Local hiking, skiing, snowmobiling, etc. I like the local shops and coffee shops. The school is doing a wonderful job with a wide range of students. The library is wonderful.	1
I love the rural, small town feel of Bethlehem. I also like how easy it is to get to great hiking, backpacking, fishing, and biking spots.	1
Interesting and friendly - love schools, library, pool, etc.	1
It's a great home town	1
It's a nice quiet little town.	1
Its natural resources, proximity to Littleton, skiing, hiking, mountain attractions. Peaceful and quiet.	1
Its proximity to all that the North Country has to offer, the clean air, neighborly attitudes of current residents	1
It's rural without being remote. Convenient to Littleton and my employer	1
It is a great place to bring up children but they don't stay because there is nothing here	1
It is an absolutely beautiful small town area with great views and people.	1
It is quiet and safe. There is a rare sense of community here.	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
It is so quiet, lots of access to hiking, snowshoeing, the mountains, and the town has restaurants and shops to visit.	1
It was recommended that I buy a house in Bethlehem when I moved to the area because the residents were more open minded, liberal, tolerant than Littleton or Franconia. I have great neighbors	1
It's small country charm and beauty and country atmosphere	1
It's a small town - that's it	1
It's beautiful here!	1
It's gorgeous	1
Its home. Would like to pass on to next generation some of the things that make it special to me. Schools, air, water and the small town feeling	1
It's quiet. Lots of wildlife	1
Library - hub of our town. Create a cohesive partnership between all businesses profit and nonprofit - I would be glad to organize Kay Kerr	1
Live remotely, but have amenities and services fairly close by	1
living in the country, clean air not the city	1
Living in the White Mountains - natural beauty! No box/chain stores!	1
Living on / near the golf course	1
Living so close to outdoor recreational activities, and beautiful scenery.	1
Located in scenic area with great out-door recreation	1
Location	1
Location / small town atmosphere	1
Location against White Mountain National Forest	1
Location to outdoor adventures	1
Location White Mts.	1
Location, people.	1
Location, proximity to nature, outdoor activities, services	1
Location. We have downtown with lots of potential, close to hiking, skiing, outdoors, interstate.	1
Love the Colonial Theater, "town" benefits, but still access to skiing, hiking, golf	1
Love the small town atmosphere. People are friendly and helpful	1
Love this town! I loved family here because of school system and town's support of education. Safe community to raise my family.	1
Loved raising my family here - excellent education	1
Lovely new library	1
Low crime, small town feel, friends and neighbors that care although that's becoming a thing of the past with all the cheaply made housing going up by Lahout's	1
Low crime. Close to WMN Forest. Good schools	1
Low population density, scenery	1
More to offer people	1
Most of the people. The Durrell Church - very welcoming and warm to people	1
Mountains, not being crowded	1
My friends and neighbors. The hometown feel. The very best thing? The Jason Somerville Fund for college bound kids. That's why I moved here over 20 years ago.	1
My property I like, but have to look at deteriorating build across my property which isn't fair to neighbors too who have to look at trash and smell from neglect and fire issue	1
N/A	2
Natural Beauty	1
Natural beauty - slower pace of life	1
Natural beauty - small town feel. Encourage downtown expansion like WREN / Cold Mt. Cafe, etc.	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Natural beauty of area	1
Near golfing and skiing	1
NH is beautiful, clean and well maintained. We look forward to an active retirement there.	1
Nice neighbor hoods. The new town pool. The theater. The beautiful trees	1
Nice small town feel, with great access to everything	1
Nice small town, vibrant community, good to great schools, convenience to I-93	1
Nice town - good people - most take pride in their property - get rid of dilapidated hotels and buildings on Main St.	1
Nice town, access to WMNF, Ski, Snowmobile, ATV areas	1
Nice, peaceful area but nothing to do in town. Have to go to Littleton and Bretton Woods, North Conway.	1
Not living in a city	1
Not much. If I had to do it over would definitely relocate out of this town	1
Not one thing	1
Not the rising taxes!	1
Nothing! Yuppee. Tax exempt town. Too many pay no taxes	1
Nothing, I wish I had purchased a home in another town	1
Only because I like Bethlehem	1
Open space; no traffic or haphazard development	1
open spaces	1
Our privacy and land beauty and the small town.	1
Over the years wish I had picked another town. Taxes are too high	1
Overall I love it here	1
Peace and quiet	1
Peace and quiet. Small shops. Bethlehem's small town flair! Love the pool!!	1
Peaceful, bucolic, friendly, charming, quiet, clean mountain air	1
Peaceful, historical, scenic. Considerate & caring neighbors & residents. People always helping one another	1
Peaceful, quiet atmosphere. Somewhat friendly	1
People and proximity to White Mountains	1
People. Restaurants. Quiet. Colonial. Shops	1
Pleasant people in town office. Very polite police and fire officials - always available - personal services - volunteers in town do a lot - community spirit - Library awesome - great small town feeling	1
Privacy, Serenity, Quiet, Peaceful, Fresh air	1
Privacy simple life	1
Proximity to Franconia	1
Proximity to National Forest / natural beauty	1
Proximity to open space and small town atmosphere	1
Proximity to recreation	1
Proximity to recreation combined with nature.	1
Proximity to the beautiful White Mts.	1
Quality of life	1
Quality of life, closeness to Littleton "culture", vibrant community	1
Quiet & Friendly	1
Quiet & peaceful	1
Quiet country atmosphere	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Quiet friendly town	1
Quiet no big business	1
Quiet peaceful environment. Great location	1
Quiet streets, neighborly feeling	1
Quiet, peaceful area to retire to, small town atmosphere.	1
Quiet, small town atmosphere, not a lot of traffic.	1
Recreational activities, proximity to mountains	1
Right now it's hard to think of much that is positive in light of the high taxes we pay	1
Rural character	1
Rural mountain living at its' best.	1
Rural setting	1
Rural, Mountains, Reputation	1
Safe - Quiet - Good quality of life - my neighbors	1
Scenic beauty of the town, proximity to services and growing cultural atmosphere led by Colonia Theater	1
Scenic beauty, outdoor recreation and wonderful air and water	1
Serene natural environment	1
Small and quiet	1
Small safe community to raise children	1
Small town	4
Small town-clean air- no congestion	1
Small town atmosphere	1
Small town atmosphere, beauty, growing art and offerings, good schools, good library, some diversity.	1
Small town atmosphere, park and concerts	1
Small town character	1
Small town community atmosphere	1
Small town feel	1
Small town feel and mostly friendly	1
Small town feel. Close to outdoor recreation, but a short drive to the big box shopping	1
Small town feeling with people caring about each other.	1
Small town feelings	1
Small town flavor	1
Small town with a big heart. Love the thriving arts community! Great schools.	1
Small, personal and simple life	1
So far not much; taxes go up, water and sewer fees goes up no matter if we use them or not	1
Some of the prettiest views in NE.....	1
Summers!!	1
Terrific Library	1
That it is small with just enough down town to attract tourists	1
That's a tough question!!!	1
The beautiful small town which is centrally located in the North Country to so many great surrounding towns with jobs, stores, opportunities while travel to or from conveniently you have to go through our town. Bethlehem has a lot of natural beat, love	1
the beauty of the area	1
The beauty of the area - walkable downtown - town sewer	1
The beauty of the area & the people in Bethlehem	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
The beauty of the town - the people who live there	1
The beauty, however the property taxes prevent me from wanting to become a permanent resident	1
The beauty, the history, the relaxed lifestyle.	1
The beauty; the location; the Colonial Theatre, WREN and the Library; not the taxes	1
The best thing about living in Bethlehem is the location along with the school district.	1
The closeness of people in the town.	1
The colorful downtown district that has so much charm and character and has so much to offer in the summertime- movies, music, food, a Farmer's Market, hiking and walking trails, tennis, basketball, the pool...	1
The community events and concerts. Balance Bethlehem is an awesome addition.	1
The Community feeling	1
The community has a lot going for it with many events like the concerts at the gazebo, library programs, rec programs, soup community meals, etc.	1
The community is friendly and it has a wonderful history that needs to be maintained.	1
The community, the people, the small town with big culture.	1
The downtown area is unique and the towns position amongst the White Mountain Forest and several ski areas	1
The fact that it is quite, a sense of community is starting to develop once again. Great elementary school and library.	1
The fact that we have a walkable village that could be attractive to the non-tourist trap visitors	1
The involved, enthusiastic residents and small business owners	1
The longer I live here the less I think there is anything good about this town	1
The natives.	1
The natural beauty of area. The warmth and friendliness of a small town community	1
The natural beauty, the small town feeling and neighborliness, the quiet.	1
The peacefulness	1
The peace and quiet, beautiful scenery, growing up here as a child during the summer	1
The people	1
The people and accessibility to great outdoors	1
The people and the landscape. We are blessed by MANY interesting and creative people. Stephen D from the Colonial - Marilyn from WREN and on and on make the beauty of the landscape even richer	1
The people dare wonderful and the location beautiful	1
The people first. Sense of community	1
The people in our region. The landscape. The great businesses and community resources of our town.	1
The people, shops, restaurants, Colonial, WREN, skating rink, Basketball courts, Library, schools	1
The people, the facilities (such as the library and yoga center), the market, the general feeling of peace	1
The people, the small town feel, and the schools	1
The quaint town, pool, library, beautiful views, biking, hiking, gold	1
The quiet landscapes.	1
The resources of the beautiful white mountains, lakes and freedom that we all deserve	1
The rural characteristics of the town and the wonderful access to natural resources and the White Mountains	1
The scenery, peace and quiet	1
The school is great and it is beautiful!	1
The sense of community and in time to enjoy the benefits of the school system.	1
The small town atmosphere and friendliness of the people who watch out for and who care for their neighbors	1
The surrounding area	1
The theater, the people, architecture, living in town	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
The views - the open spaces - convenience to 93	1
The views and easy access to nature. I like Bethlehem as is, if I want bigger I go to Littleton or North Conway. I don't want Bethlehem to lose its small town flavor	1
Tight knit community, people, fresh air	1
Tranquil beauty	1
Vibrant community with alternative culture - in a gorgeous physical environment	1
Views	1
Views / scenery	1
Views Nature	1
Village, picturesque settings. Great people who are proud of the town	1
We live where people want to vacation	1
We moved and built here because of the views, the quiet, the clean smells and the peacefulness....which have all been impacted by the landfill. So with windows closed. The day is Sunday (the dump is closed.).This is the only time we now enjoy living here.	1
Wonderful blend of rural/village life	1

Appendix: Survey_Q36

Q36: What service (or services) is not being provided that should be?

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
? Not sure	1
A bank that has more branches across New England so money matters can be done no matter where you travel. We need a TD or Citizens branch up here	1
A better system for disposing of trash and recycling; the rest of the world is way ahead of Bethlehem and "zero sort"	1
A large info center with gift shop. A large (outside) info board with map detailing historic sites and local amenities, camp sites, hiking trails	1
A lot of bicyclers come through here in the summer - we need safer accommodation. Also need more activities for children in the summer	1
A mid-priced restaurant or a watering hole for locals and tourists alike.	1
Activities for pre-teen and teenagers	1
Affordable high speed, reliable internet access.	1
All basic needs are being met	1
All is good.	1
Assistance for drug addicts	1
Attracting business, look at N. Conway, Lincoln, West Lebanon, all are growing without ruining the beauty of the area	1
Bear proof trash containers	1
Better and more high speed internet options. Mobile Homes (Manufactured homes) should be allowed on any property. Building standards have changed in recent years so that mobile homes are in many ways better built than "stick-built" homes. Aesthetical	1
Better cable internet. Better trash pickup off the highway and or enforcement of litter laws. Our street is always full of garbage at the side of the road and around telephone poles etc.	1
Better care of smaller streets	1
Better rec for children, person not good at it	1
Better road maintenance	1
Better road maintenance	1
Better, more polite and courteous town government, government officials and employees.	1
Blank	181
Broader public transportation (beyond Bethlehem)	1
Bus service	1
Bus service and/or shuttle service from Littleton to Bethlehem and from Bethlehem to Mt. Washington Hotel	1
Business development assistance	1
Cable / High Speed Internet. (Peppersass Lane)	1
Can't comment	1
Can't think of any	1
Center Bethlehem could / should be a Lincoln / Woodstock - Bethlehem is missing a lot of revenue by people getting off at Route 3 in town or going to Littleton	1
Clean water!	1
Committees to help take ownership of and assist the Select board in development, financial plans, Chamber of Commerce to get MORE business, more visitors, vacationers to come to Bethlehem not just travel through it.	1
Community - building on a regular basis, like Christmas in Bethlehem gets everyone out - lets have more and consistent things like this throughout the year	1
Community center	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Consider public transportation step. I.e. shuttle service stop for people who do not have means. Think we have a population who could use this service.	1
Cross country ski trails, snow shoe trails, more for young kids and families	1
Cultural services could be encouraged - a decent place to have town gatherings. Our town building is in great need of improving on that. The top floor is a disgrace	1
Cute little shops. Sage into housing	1
Departments should not be micro managed but committees should be formed to remind department heads what is expected by us and not what they want on their wish lists	1
Don't know	1
Drug Store! Rite Aid, Walgreens. A pedestrian cross walk on Agassiz St.	1
Drug store, medical office, walking park like what they have in Portland< ME, more elderly subsidized housing, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	1
Drug store, more banking options	1
Dry cleaner...small pharmacy	1
Enforce health and human services to inspect rundown buildings and trailers every year and to dispose of waste in garage and inside trash. Hoarding issues that affect other neighbors on street.	1
Family affordable eating, grocery store, hardware	1
Free high speed internet for town provided by a federal government grant	1
Full service gas station	1
Gym - exercise facility	1
Helping the older people on taxes	1
High speed internet and cable to all areas of town. Cost is prohibitive if available, need separate dishes. Which also detracts from the beauty of this area.	1
High speed internet is not available for an embarrassing high percentage of the town	1
High speed internet is terrible. Town will need to help with development here.	1
High speed Internet outside of the downtown area. Lack of cable/Internet is a huge deficit that has affected property sales and relocations into sf homes in the less populated areas	1
High speed internet. Diesel fuel. Better cell service	1
High-speed Internet	1
Historic District emphasis, Environmental emphasis	1
Hospital for small animals & vet supplies. Horse / Mule stables where tourists can rent for trail rides	1
I do not make use of any service except Casella and library and town hall	1
I don't know	1
I think Bethlehem does a great job of providing services. I also think we should be focusing on reducing costs so our property tax goes down.	1
I think more services for elderly should be included	1
I think the town does very good overall	1
I think we could use a cool laundromat. And more destination stores (bakery for exams, or a bridal shop. Something that people tend to look up and travel to get to.	1
I wish the town pool could be re-opened permanently and developed a bit more as a community resource. a maintained skating rink would be good - let's take advantage of assets and invest in recreational services (other than golf!) that help locals and attract	1
I would like to see high speed internet accessibility increased. My first residence in Bethlehem was along 302 and it had access to cable internet. After I moved I lost that connection and needed to make other arrangements in order to work from home. Add	1
Improve skate park - warming hut benches etc. Improve recreational facilities	1
Internet	1
Internet access that's affordable	1
Is there transportation for seniors to get to shopping, doctors, etc.	1
It must be difficult for residents to get prescriptions etc. and medical needs. Consider a ride-on bus, small fee, etc.	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
It would be nice to have a few more restaurants	1
Job opportunities	1
Larger grocery store. Small drug store. Possibly a dry cleaner	1
Larger medical facilities, etc. hospitals.	1
Lectures, good music, community center	1
Legal Aid	1
Less police we are not a big city	1
Lessen services to lessen the tax impact.	1
Local bus between Bethlehem, Littleton, Franconia, Whitefield	1
local emergency medical care	1
Main street is dead Winter. More foot traffic is desperately needed. Colonial should be open all year.	1
Many (all listed in front)	1
Mass transit for elderly and poor	1
Maybe something for the senior citizens and teenagers	1
Maybe transportation for commuters. Not sure this is necessary and there is the TCCAP bus. I think there should be more housing for families that is affordable	1
Medical clinic / general store	1
More 1 on1 from the police department being seen - at school - walking around. Ability of being able to put sewerage from homes are plant, not having to pay to take to Littleton	1
More dining. Update village store to carry more items maybe even enlarge it	1
More events that make the town stand out.	1
More shops and restaurants.	1
More things for kids to do	1
N/A	2
Need more housing for the elderly.	1
NH DES not monitoring landfill	1
no opinion	1
No opinion	3
No pre-school in town	1
none	2
None	5
None have too many now	1
None. Too many as of now. Reduce what we have	1
None; you people find something to spend money on, you're spending it. The elementary & Profile schools are the only thing about it	1
Not a service, but a frustration; as a second home owner here who pays real estate taxes, I feel I should have locate voting privileges; I believe this is an issue that needs to be addressed at the state level; still a frustration though	1
Not enough information	1
Not enough sidewalks. Are there enough hydrants? Winter culture events	1
Not sure at this time because not living there full time	1
nothing	1
Pharmacy access. Grocery store	1
Plenty of good services	1
Plowing for elderly/homebound incapacitated home owners	1
Poor water quality for village district, but let's remember - the more services, the higher the taxes. Library	1

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and pool are examples even if you support them	
Post - HS training programs	1
Pre-school age daycare, however, I do not want it run by the town, but to have a business open to provide the service.	1
Public Transportation	2
Public transportation to shopping and services in	1
Restaurants (more than what we have), Hotel on Main St., real estate office, hardware store	1
Restaurants are needed	1
Restaurants, vibrant downtown year-round	1
Road maintenance	1
Road repair	1
Road repaving service. Tree care and new tree plantings to replace trees that have died or been cut down on Main Street to maintain that home town appearance	1
Services are adequate, but how they are fiscally supported is preventing generational growth of our community. Seniors are unable to afford the current tax base, therefore robbing the community of a key resource - experience!	1
Some type of public transportation. Better ambulance service.	1
Street lights on Cherry Valley Rd.	1
Tax assessment is not realistic, very inconsistent	1
Taxi service, maybe?	1
Teens need something to do or go that is low cost and safe. Need better public transportation	1
This is little, but the town phones no longer provide the hours that the town offices are available. This actually really makes things difficult. Please add the times of service and whether the offices are closed back to the message.	1
Too many services	1
Train to Portland	1
Transportation link	1
Transportation for those who are unable to drive in Bethlehem and surroundings	1
Vet - (animal Docs) & walk-in clinic	1
We have everything one can reasonably expect to have	1
We have everything we need just be careful on what is needed.	1
We have no medical claims or sources for prescription drugs. IE no drug store - no hardware store	1
We have enough, let's not make it Massachusetts	1
We need a Dog Park. There is a lot of land around downtown that could be fenced in and a fee could be paid at Town Hall or the Library so much for residents and more for non-residents and a daily fee for people vacationing or on their way though.	1
we need a visionary chamber of commerce	1
Whatever happened to the free ambulance Howard started? GONE!	1
Would love a small hardware store/ gun store in town.	1
Zoning board should not allow tractor trailers/busses to be parked on residential lots	1

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Q37: Please describe your vision of what Bethlehem should be like twenty years from now?

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
10 restaurants / more shops / lower property taxes	1
20 years from now I see it being a year round tourist attraction with lots of events, lectures, festivals that celebrate its history and surroundings	1
2035 well I hope they take care of the grave yards and do nothing to detract from the natural beauty of this town	1
A balance of development and sustainable growth with charm & character being retained	1
A busy small town with low taxes	1
A changing, growing, smart, developing town to encourage tourism stops, shops and revenue to maintain towns operation budget demands, without penalty to residents	1
A cleaned up neat country town	1
A community offering its residents a springboard to the beauty of nature that surrounds it; a place where families can comfortably raise their children on modest means; a town not overrun by commercial development	1
A community where families are able to bring up children with old fashion values	1
A cultural center for artists / artisans and healers	1
A destination community offering great cultural and natural attractions. Population about 5000 with good working, riding trails and roads	1
A destination site / town with more artsy / interesting stores, restaurants, cultural events. Promote outdoor activities, farming.	1
A downtown area with commerce, a well-organized industrial park that employs resident, Hotels that attract tourists and new residential construction to house the residents of a prosperous and growing town	1
A historic downtown with more curb-appeal along all major roads. A new Inn at Maplewood or townhomes to encourage tourism again	1
A mecca for arts and crafts, where tourists will come to eat, browse, walk, golf and enjoy the charm that Bethlehem has to offer	1
A more refined, rural cultured community with the best schools, recreational parks, Ball fields, Playgrounds with a positive happy atmosphere that people keep making Bethlehem THE place in Northern NH to visit and move into finding work, affordable homes	1
A more vibrant and growing community	1
A more vibrant Main Street for tourists with light industry on RT 116 and small farms around town	1
A Multi-dimensional self-supported town with job opportunity and reasonable taxes and government intrusion	1
A multi-generational and diverse community supported by residents who present a beneficial view of progress and history in balance	1
A new generation has given new life to the town and found a way to take control of those run down campgrounds on 302 and the empty store fronts to turn this town into a sustainable community. There is a big community garden and more job/housing opportunities	1
A nice place to live, with place to work. People having services in the town for shopping, eating, working, car repairs, home repairs, etc. We need to be a self-sufficient town where any citizen can live, work & have all their needs met	1
A place that normal people can find descent work and who can afford to live here.	1
A place that preserves its past thru planned development	1
A place where families find value in coming to visit and stay for a while with a nice selection of recreation, arts, music, business, and places to eat.	1
A premier vacation destination for outdoor enthusiasts.	1
A quaint village with a Main St. full of unique stores and restaurants. Homes with acreage of untouched fields and woods	1
A real community and democratic government - open and honest	1
A small community!	1
A small retirement town with all public transportation from the Mass border to Bethlehem and in Bethlehem, NH.	1

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A small town with a thriving center and a tax-base supported by tech talent and small tech companies (R+D, Mfg.) - campus development with industry and university partners. Entrepreneur incentives	1
A sustainable community	1
A tax friendly town; I live in a glorified hunting camp log cabin, my land is in current use and I pay over \$5k for property taxes; can't you see what is happening in this town; it's all people from MA who came make six figures nobody can afford to retire	1
A thriving active town with successful in character businesses that maintains the unique quaintest of the area	1
A thriving community and cost of living that is reasonable	1
A thriving community with jobs available.	1
A thriving small town with more businesses in order to provide more tax relief	1
A thriving tourist town	1
A thriving town with jobs tourism and tons recreation.	1
A town that embraces its natural environment	1
A town that has more opportunities for younger families to move into town. The only way to accomplish this is to increase tax base with light industry, small box stores, and doctors' offices	1
A town that openly embraces individuals from all demographics that seeks out all types of businesses. Also more housing, such as housing developments.	1
A town the residents will still love, but not a place an average family can't afford to live in	1
A vibrant Main St. with stores (of all sizes), hotels, restaurants where you can walk and see people visiting year round. Also an office building or two. Without that Main St. will continue to shrink	1
A vibrant small town characterized by antique shops, small restaurants, and gift shops, and where you can stroll down the street (on a decent sidewalk) and enjoy its charm. Oh yeah- and the dump is closed for GOOD. No more trash from out of state - no	1
A vibrant walkable Main Street with a variety of restaurants and businesses. Local hiking and cross country trails combined with a greater concentration of parks.	1
A well run town with visual appeal and continuation of concerts and support of local businesses	1
Abandoned properties if the taxes aren't taken under control - attract business and developers by making owning here affordable - then a wonderful place to raise a family or retire	1
about the same	1
Affordable place to live with a tax base not top heavy based on education	1
All dilapidated buildings removed resurgence in commerce and a warm and welcome community for children.	1
Almost the same	1
An affordable town with a thriving and quaint downtown that supports the arts and local artists, farmers, entrepreneurs	1
An upscale Littleton	1
Arts, shops, restaurants - B&Bs. Maybe an annual or semi-annual attraction that draws people to Bethlehem	1
Artsy, active, outdoorsy, inclusive, small town	1
Beautiful small shops lining the Main St. All buildings painted and well kept	1
Bethlehem could be the pride of NH with a plan and enthusiasm. Small retail stores that are supported by the town. A "charming", tasteful place that encourages knowledgeable tourists. More of a cultural center. Our theater is an example of what can hap	1
Bethlehem should always be a place where people feel extraordinarily fortunate to live.	1
Bethlehem should have real antique shops instead of junk shops/most of Main St. is in need of building maintenance and upgrades – painting etc.	1
Bethlehem will not grow much - my opinion is that it will be about the same as now or worse - some things may go away	1
Better roads, lower taxes and more small business employment opportunities for local people	1
Better roads. More business. Lower taxes	1
Better tax base	1
Bigger and better	1
Blank	107
Broke - we cannot sustain the increase tax load we property owners face	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Bucolic	1
Bucolic village with vibrant down-town	1
bucolic, live and let live, with perhaps fewer visionaries	1
Bustling with locals and tourists visiting unique small shops, great restaurants, historical tours (we love the Lantern Tour offered by B&B owner several years ago!)	1
Busy downtown all year, with cars parked on main street that would force traffic to slow down and tourists to stop in town and walk around	1
Busy people love the views and old time feel	1
Busy with people being able to walk to shops and services	1
Cannot see that far ahead. We take it every year as it comes	1
Clean up Main St. - get rid of the 10 or 20 junk yards in town. No more camper trailers on lots becoming permanent living places	1
Clean, quiet, quaint and beautiful. Busy up-town, recreational trails, bike routes, user friendly!	1
Clean. Bring job to our town and demolish run down building not being kept up to code.	1
Cohousing downtown. Better general store - good local produce, meat, etc. Upscale food manufacturing downtown.	1
Continue to make it family friendly by keeping up the pool, library, and park areas. Keep it safe from crime!!!!	1
Deserted if things don't get more interesting	1
Develop an industrial park on 116 and get some big business in	1
Expanded historical society.	1
Few more Main St businesses.	1
Ghost town. No one can afford to live here or wants to. Town owns all taxed property	1
Good schools. Forums and events for a balanced exchange of ideas. Evidence of decision making that always values our 20 year future on the table.	1
Historical Buildings in good repairs, developed tourism/recreation, dining, small shopping. Like now, but a little more.	1
Historically preserved, no big industry, increase in agriculture and small town business.	1
Hope that we can hold the family here	1
I'll be dead	1
I can't imagine that far in the future. You should be asking that for the next 10 years. Get some businesses here.	1
I envision a town that has grown at a sustainable level and still maintains a small town feel. I see a thriving village district with additional locally owned shops that attract both local and tourist dollars.	1
I feel that it important to keep the small town feel on Main Street but on the outskirts we should attract businesses like industrial parks or other companies.	1
I hope just the same! Maybe a small industrial base to help keep taxes down and provide jobs.	1
I hope that it is able to remain the small town as it is but still provide good school and library	1
I like Bethlehem as a small town. Would like to see it stay that way	1
I like the antique look of the late 18 or 1900s	1
I love hearing Dick Robie talk about the businesses that were here and would love to see hardware or similar return so more shopping for necessities could happen in town	1
I probably won't be alive	1
I see a quaint village where people flock to for the beauty, rest and fun things to do.	1
I still want the quaint New England village feel. I think there is a way to grow, but still retain our village appeal	1
I want to see an Arts Hotel in town. Can you imagine? Everything in it is made by a local artist or artisan, including furniture, bedding, art, toiletries- and if course, Art. It would have a small conference center, that would attract groups to com	1
I won't be there or here, but with the fine library and schools I see a better place to live. The cities may be unbearable so country living will appeal	1
I would hope it would be much the same but more vibrant and a little more bustling. More kids and more kids' activities. And more welcoming for people who move here by choice from elsewhere.	1

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I would like to no franchises allowed - only independent businesses	1
I would like to see a more consolidated village "Main St." area with some development in area close to the highway for newer businesses. Strength of Bethlehem is that it's ideal for retirees and young families. We need to retain the beauty of Main St.	1
I would like to see a town that has taken advantage of clean energy specifically wind & solar	1
Improve and use what we have. Limited development. A thriving village where we want to bring friends and family	1
Increase property values, small businesses being developed	1
Increase to tourist facilities - recreational facilities for youth and elderly	1
It should look like Littleton - keeping small specialty shops in town and revenue producing stores on outskirts	1
It's described in questions #33, #34 and #36. Locals dropping the prejudice attitude toward tourists (such as flatlanders to their face). Making for a friendlier atmosphere instead of intimidating. Grow up, act like adults looking for a more attractive	1
Its environment protected against pollution and further development and much of its land owned by the town. Littleton has enough stores, etc. and is nearby. I would like to see Bethlehem as the town of recreation with lots of hiking / biking trails	1
It's rebuilt, shined up. People wanting to come here	1
Just as is....	1
Just like now, but the run down apartments / houses	1
Just the way it is with lower taxes	1
Keep friendly, small town atmosphere and maintain slow population growth. More public lands	1
Larger tourist accommodations expanded Main St. shops and restaurants	1
Less for sale signs, Main St thriving, lower taxes	1
less property taxes	1
let economy work	1
Light industry....more business	1
Look the same. Small middle class population - low to middle incomes - taxes too high to promote growth	1
Lower taxes	1
Lower the taxes	1
Make town more inviting - cleaned up. Bring in business - less on taxes	1
Modest "Main St." commercial development; preservation of its bucolic beauty	1
More accessible to middle - income families	1
More art, music, crafts, inns, restaurants. More to attract tourism and new residents	1
More business	1
More business to tax. Structure and allow lower taxes for the residents	1
More businesses	1
More businesses so taxes are less	1
More businesses, public transportation	1
More historic architecture styles to go along with what's already there. No Dollar Store or fast food. Make it an alternative to what is becoming sprawl.	1
More industry	1
More industry in well-defined areas, more residents who appreciate the environment, more hotels. Independent, with as few national chain stores as possible.	1
More of the same - better roads	1
More restaurants & place to stay other than just the beautiful Inns we have	1
More small businesses that can hire more people.	1
More vibrant than ever, more local places to eat and sleep; no landfill	1
Move all mobile homes out of Bethlehem....town gets first option to buy and disperse of same when the time is right.	1

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Much like it is a but a bit more self-supporting - that means more small businesses and a larger permanent population to support it.	1
Nice touristy, friendly town with more nightlife and fine dining and more outfitters to support all of the recreational activities in the immediate area.	1
No idea	1
No increase in population, no heavy or polluting industry, favored tourist destination	1
No sex offenders, fire and police department you can trust, less apartments. Town officials who care about the town and not lining their own pockets and are honest	1
No vision. Let the residents individually decide	1
Not a bedroom community but instead, a community that has industry and commercial enterprises that don't depend on government services.	1
Not a city, or even a huge town like Littleton, but a nice town that has some restaurants and a few stores that are open in the evening past 5 and just a little bit more business- wise.	1
Not a lot different from today	1
Not much change - A great place to raise a family. More diverse tax base = lower taxes	1
Not much different from its present beauty. The downtown area should be revitalized.	1
Not to be over developed, only for needed services	1
Not too big of growth I love a lot of country small town warmth and friendliness	1
Not too much different than it is now.	1
Not very different; a little nicer, greener, more walkable and with some more place to go and things to do, particularly downtown	1
One of "Best Towns" for 2035. Gradual growth - cottage industries - small manufacturing - citizen open mindedness	1
One or two medium sized hotels in town, a few smaller ones. All year around. Overnight tourists would walk to restaurant and small shops in town that would open after hotels would come in. Second home owners would come after downtown is better developed	1
People are more respectful, considerate and nicer. Mail service becomes consistently accurate. We still have beautiful views, lots of trees and easy access to nature trails	1
Pretty much the center as the same - some new construction business growth on 116 - school tax in check	1
Pretty much the same without a toxic waste dump and drag strip	1
Quaint town, but well lit and having a well maintained look to Main St.	1
Quaint - Vital	1
Quiet and quaint	1
Recreation area, attraction, employment opportunities.	1
Relatively unchanged. Ginger bread encouraged	1
Remain small & quiet	1
Respect for the past, but protect what is best now. Open spaces, more open government	1
Restoration of Main Street homes, expansion of locally owned shops. Similar to today only with more of the run-down buildings removed or renovated	1
Restore historic buildings, great restaurants, great shopping, bustling downtown both winter and summer embracing the quaintness. More open minded minds making decisions about how money is spent. Both golf clubs thriving. NO chains, box stores EVER	1
Retain the small town feel.	1
Rural area with retail and tourism. Light industry landfill issue resolved. Google care friendly our own silicon valley / start up center for New England	1
Same	2
Same - with honest government	1
Same as it is now- but without the dump and with more stuff to do	1
Same as it is now with vacant buildings cleaned up	1
Same because due to the votes few growth will be hard and slow, but it is getting better. Tax rate will at its current growth will make homes unaffordable to local younger families	1
Same small town with more historic significant opportunities	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Senior living around golf course. Tear down houses. Tear down cottages on 302 - make entry to our town. Nice and pretty and natural	1
Should have more Main Street business but also should have had some industrial growth as well	1
Should remain a beautiful small New England town	1
Similar, but with more commercial, an historic downtown district and a better tax base	1
Similar in the way it is quiet and simple, but let's keep things maintained and functional (i.e. let's not let the pool get run down)	1
Similar to now - no mini malls or rampant development. Support small business and it will thrive!	1
Similar to now, but more small businesses - tourism related and light industry	1
Similar to what it was 100 years ago. Parades, celebration, community spirit.	1
Small town living in the White Mts. Cost effective with great services.	1
Small town. Rural scenery. Preservation well managed. No big box stores. Preservation of beautiful mansions. Tourist destination	1
Some business brought in that fits our town that would help with the tax base	1
Some small professional businesses (software company? Accounting firm?). Bedroom community for Littleton is fine, too. Lots of families with young children. Dump closed for good. Historic buildings still there. Dilapidated buildings cleaned up. Hi	1
Some sort of attraction / destination business in town that will support area growth	1
Still a small town but with more small business to alleviate the tax structure.	1
Still quaint. That is what tourists like	1
Still the quaint town setting it has now, but with more stores open on this Main St. too bad to see vacant buildings	1
Tax reduction and clean industry providing job opportunities that attract our youth to stay here and continue to promote positive growth	1
Tech hub that attracts outdoors - loving techies - think Silicon Valley of NH	1
That the dump is closed, the Northern Pass never happened, small business have joined Main Street keeping with the architectural designs that identify Bethlehem and the town. It has a positive and very active group of people on the boards that have our	1
The beauty spot of NH. Well maintained homes, vibrant downtown with store fronts, small hotels and B&Bs, unique character, recreational hot spot - golf - rec department, cultural hot spot	1
The landfill should be closed. There should be more small shops and restaurants along Main St. There should be a town square on the corner of Agassiz and Main. Property taxes must be lower and more small farms around. I'd like to see someone pursue li	1
The Main Street area should be filled with businesses like a "Rockport" or "Bar Harbor"	1
The same	1
The same caring community it is today!	1
The same, with maybe more businesses, some little stretch next. Rt. 3 with some chain business some MFG	1
The town that links all the towns in our area as one area to visit. To have its history refurbished and attract business who have goods and services to be sold beyond the area and not need to rely on population of Bethlehem alone to see their success.	1
The town would have some sort of business on Main Street that keeps the old characteristic alive. The landfill will be shut down, and hopefully not polluting the river. The Theater and WREN will still be active and providing cultural activities.	1
Thriving Main St. with lots of businesses. Industrial park on Rt. 116	1
Thriving quaint downtown. Restaurants, shops, professional offices... buildings properly maintained and taken care of. Bigger business in appropriately zoned areas...	1
Thriving tourist location	1
Thriving with lots of families and less homes for sale. More business that fit the community - no more organic / hippie type	1
Tourist traffic	1
Town owns all property and no one would or want to live here	1
Very similar to today. Historic buildings will be revitalized and well-maintained. Parking will be ample downtown and no large commercial businesses will be in the quaint village.	1

Comments	Number of Similar Responses
Vibrant business community on main street	1
Vibrant Main Street quiet back roads.	1
Vibrant Main St. w/ more shops, restaurants, hotels & artisans	1
Vision includes continued support for strong school system, where families continue to see art. My vision includes healthy small business owners and busy Main Street where our recreation and tourism industry collaborates w/ our Main Street to capitalize o	1
We're no longer pretending that we're better than other towns, that we don't need new businesses to improve main street experience. After that we have a vibrant main street with all year tourist foot traffic. Bethlehem Country Club is privately owned, co	1
We would like to see less town owned property on Main St. We would like not to have to buy bottled water	1
Without changes in town politics I see foreclosed and a lot of abandoned properties	1
Without tax changes not by the homeowners only - bankruptcy	1
Would be a nice village town resort for families to enjoy hiking, fishing, biking, skiing	1
Would love to see downtown Bethlehem become more of a tourist/shopper destination with more variety than arts.	1