

BOF Comments on POCD Draft to P&Z Board (Version 2 2018-10-02)

- Overall, a fantastic effort and quite informative and useful in our understanding of Wilton priorities.
- Would it be possible to put all of this information in a model, maybe in conjunction with the EDC, that could show the impact if we gave incentives to companies to come into Wilton. Are incentives even possible?
- What are the priorities? Easy to “cherry-pick” some of them but should lay out what the Town should be doing, like a new police station, etc.
- This POCD is used as a backdrop as P&Z evaluates things that come in *reactively*. Wouldn't it be better to be *pro-active* to reach out to developers to come in to develop along our priorities?
- The report should address housing affordability issue in that the housing costs are growing faster than household income, leading to rising housing “cost burden” and associated lower demand for housing stock.
- Affordable Housing need – How to add to the existing stock? Could we solicit or encourage developers to come to Town? We would need 390 affordable units to comply after moratorium expires. What is the impact on schools for all those new students if all of those units were built and occupied by cohorts similar on makeup to the existing affordable units occupied in Town today?
- Right now, Danbury Road corridor and Wilton Center are separated by rail tracks. Is there a way to connect these two economic areas together?
- There is value to having better cell service in Wilton, especially as 5G service is being rolled out. Can the Town work with cell service providers to improve service areas? Use Town property to site towers (e.g., on Miller Driscoll land) which would expand service coverage while providing a potential source of rental revenue to the Town?
- Need to address the lack of suitable living accommodations for seniors wanting to downsize in Wilton. Too many are leaving to downsize due to lack of available housing options in Town.
- Referring to page 34 or 35 (depending on version) there is presentation of debt per capita for Wilton and surrounding towns. Could we add income per capita for each town as well so we can calculate Debt Coverage Ratio for each listed town?
- Page 34/35 -- What is explanation the pension amount on the bars of Debt Per Capita? Where did this large pension debt per capita number come from?

8 NOVEMBER 2018

TO: S. LAWRENCE; R. NERNEY; MILONE & MACBROOME
FROM: J ALGON ON BEHALF OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION
SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON CONSERVATION SECTION OF POCD FROM THE
WILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Attached are comments regarding draft v.2 of the POCD that pertain to Conservation.

General comments:

The role of conservation and energy in Wilton are sadly undervalued according to this POCD. The fact that they are nearly last in placement in the document are evidence of this, as is the omission of the Conservation Commission as a future member of the Plan Implementation Committee. The public does not understand the principles of conservation, as reflected in the graphic on page 53, and it is essential to begin actively educating residents in ways they can provide stewardship to their properties to protect the wildlife and environment in our community if we care about quality of life concerns.

Conservation of our natural resources is among the most significant of Wilton's assets, and while at this moment the needs for expanded development may require attention and funding, these resources are foundational to the willingness of our residents to live in this Town. It is imperative to create a balance between development and economic pressures and conservation needs.

Our ongoing responsibilities in protecting and maintaining these resources are essential to their sustainability and cannot be put off till a more convenient time. In the bigger perspective of costs for these efforts, the funding is relatively small compared with most other costs of administering the resources of Wilton. However, the budget for Environmental Affairs is small and cannot possibly accommodate the needs of conservation in this community. While conservation-oriented groups are willing and have been doing the lion's share of effort, depending almost entirely on volunteer effort and funding is not reasonable and needs reconsideration.

The Conservation Commission should have a (small) budget for events and publications to educate the public. Far more could be done to inform the public about their stewardship role as landowners through educational forums, lectures and symposia, printed materials, events and even through certificates to homeowners. The Walks and Talks program's refreshments period that provides time for discussion and for community networking is a minimal expense; publications are limited to a semi-annual newsletter.

There needs to be collaboration among the various commissions in Wilton to enable better maintenance of the open spaces and public properties. While volunteers may design and plant many of the areas, Town departments could support that work by regularly watering and maintaining those areas.

The Conservation Commission administers our Hazardous Waste and Clean-Up programs. We are also concerned about (1) preventing fracking waste in Wilton including its use on roads for inclement weather such as snow or ice; (2) the use of toxic chemicals in pesticides and herbicides that are not only killing our pollinators, but are clearly unhealthy for our residents including their children and pets.

Invasive species have become an established reality in the Northeast and they are disturbing the ecological balance by reducing the number of native plants available to wildlife for habitat and food. Ongoing management of invasives is not a desire; it is a requirement if we are to preserve our wetlands and our other open spaces in addition to our personal properties. This management needs funding for routine attention.

Specific comments:

p.11, first bulleted item: Add Conservation Commission to the list of JWG member organizations that will form the Plan Implementation Committee which will be responsible for stewarding the goals and visions embodied in the POCD over the coming decade.

Natural Environment, Goal 13.

Title should include 'conservation' in it: Conservation of the Natural Environment.

Final bullet: add Wilton Go Green to the list of conservation-oriented organizations

Table: under Privately Owned, correct transposed spelling of Conservation

p. 53: the results of the question "What are the most important conservation issues facing Wilton today and going forward? Please rank the following topics in order of importance with 1 being the most important." The results appear inverted. If they are not, then a discussion is required because the Conservation Commission feels the public is misinformed about what constitutes the most important priorities for Wilton with respect to Conservation.

p.55: Objectives and Strategies; 1. Under first bullet, suggest changing sentence two to read: Consider conducting an annual coordination to **organize** work plan priorities, opportunities for resource sharing, etc.

p.55: Objectives and Strategies; 2. Add to the third sentence of the first paragraph: With public funds limited in the near future, the Town

should explore a diverse range of mechanisms for open space protection, such as grant funds and private fundraising efforts **in addition to bonds, when required.**

p.55: Objectives and Strategies, 3 header. Change 'greenway' to 'greenline'.

p.55: Objectives and Strategies, add a bullet to read: Develop and execute plans for preventions and/or eradication of invasive species associated with soil disturbance resulting from installation of new and existing NRVV segments, including planting native trees to shade and slow aggressive invasive species' growth, seeding and planting with native species along borders of the trail.

Goal 14.

p. 57 first section, first bullet: suggest editing to read: "A majority of Wilton residents **(delete use)** utilize well water. Protection of water quality was the second highest rated conservation issue **among** survey respondents."

p. 57 second section, second bullet: edit to read "Pollinator Pathway" initiative started in 2017 to provide pollinator-friendly habitat and food sources

p. 57 second section, edit third bullet: Town has established a Deer Committee under the Conservation Commission...

p. 57 second section, add bullet: Town has established a Tree Committee under the Conservation Commission to plan and execute species to be planted and maintained in Wilton Center, to monitor tree conditions throughout Wilton in an advisory capacity, and to administer the programs for tree donations and notable trees throughout Wilton. The Tree is also responsible for educating residents about the value of trees for wildlife and for conservation.

p. 59: Objectives and Strategies 1, last bullet: add 'in Wilton'

p. 59: Objectives and Strategies 2, third bullet: change to plural: 'Partner with local conservation groups....

p. 59: Objectives and Strategies 3, first bullet: add 'and greenlines' [Encourage the creation of greenways, greenlines and backyard wildlife habitat....]

p. 59: Objectives and Strategies 4, first bullet: Require **use of** native plants when a landscaping plan is required for a project **[what is the meaning of 'per zoning'?]**

p. 59: Objectives and Strategies 4, second bullet: change 'greenways' to 'greenline'

p. 59: Objectives and Strategies 4, third bullet: delete final 's' in support to read 'continue to support efforts....'

Goal 15:

First section seventh bullet, add verb: **Continue** ongoing efforts

Add bullet: 'Work to develop and educate the public on current recycling requirements.'

Add bullet: 'Consider long-range implications and prepare a plan to continue recycling should China refuse acceptance of recycling materials from the U.S.'

Following are comments pertaining to other sections noted by one of the Conservation Commission members for consideration:

p. 48: bullet three, add 'district': Recent efforts to establish a local **historic** district in the Bald Hill.....

Wilton Plan of Conservation and Development Update

Date: November 5, 2018

To: Persons Responsible for the Wilton POCD update

From: Debra Thompson-Van on behalf of the Wilton Energy Commission (WEC)

Re: WEC input to Wilton Plan of Conservation and Development 2029 Update

Much has been accomplished by the Energy Commission since the 2019 POCD was published leading to better energy management. The Energy Commission's contribution drove advances in Smarter Energy Buildings that consume less energy and utilize alternative energy sources, lowering CO₂ emissions and saving the taxpayer monies through lower fuel bills.

Now, with the timing of the 10 year POCD update coinciding with the August 2018 Sustainable CT Resolution adoption, an opportunity exists for the Town of Wilton to offer the community an improved quality of life by ensuring key services are sustainable and resilient, in an eco-friendly way.

As highlighted in "40 Things we LOVE about Wilton", some of the best features of the Town of Wilton already embrace Sustainable values- some examples being the town forests and trails, historical preservations, farmer's market, protected wetlands, and smart energy investments. We propose a key objective of the 2029 POCD is to ensure the protection of these and other town assets by incorporating even more Sustainability into the Town's Policies and Practices

In that spirit, the WEC members reviewed the draft 1 POCD document and provide the following comments:

- POCD draft 1 document represents more of a summary of the findings, not specific conclusions or decisions. Further, it was noted that while there were specific examples of Sustainable and Energy elements throughout the plan, the general consensus is that the sustainable and energy topics require further work and may deserve a separate subsection of the document.
- The breadth of the Sustainability top encompasses many areas in common with the POCD. In the Vision statement-more explicitly state the intention to focus on sustainable initiatives. Change the focus around the Sustainable CT program from "pursuing points" to making Wilton more Sustainable. Report Sustainable actions and results as part of the POCD management system at the annual POCD review meeting.
- Be clear where there are real opportunities to actually achieve POCD objectives. For example, there are objectives to develop more equitable housing and "Complete streets" that pedestrians and bike lanes to mass transportation, yet competing with those objectives are other interests aligned to the current zoning policies.
- Be clear about what is required of town commissions and other community members outside of the town government to achieve some of the objectives, for example what is the WEC's role in ensuring (new) construction buildings in Town Center or on Town Campus are Sustainable, resilient and Energy efficient.
- In the discussion of Transportation based requirements, focus less on driverless cars and more on utilization of Electronic vehicles, EV charging, and Solar powered parking facilities; and connecting residences and businesses to mass transit hubs.

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How can the Wilton Energy Commission contribute?

Businesses and homeowners want sustainable and resilient living and working conditions. In today's Technology infused society, issues driven by outages is more than just a Health and Safety issue, it's an Economic and Equity issue. When the next storm hits, people value being able to continue to work and live productively in their homes and at their offices.

Energy management strategies need to go beyond efficiencies and incorporate resiliency best practices. Energy resiliency requirements are even more important today as where and how people live and work has changed.

Why now? As seen throughout 2018, intense storms, record setting heat waves, and coastal and river flooding are posing a growing challenge to the region's environmental, social, and economic systems. These climate related hazards will challenge the town's infrastructure and increase the vulnerability of the region's residents, especially its most disadvantaged populations.

Following are just some examples of potential community expectations of their town's infrastructure:

- Reliable and resilient electrical grid
- Water strategies for homes (for watershed and well supplied systems)
- Availability of heated, internet connected, Emergency Shelters
- Emergency transportation in advent of road/train closures
- Lower energy costs

Key Actions to incorporate into the POCD

1. Evaluate Energy Resiliency at key town (public and private) buildings and update Town Energy Management Plan.
2. Designate an emergency housing shelter and upgrade facility to have resilient energy capability. Consider one of the schools that have gas line, solar, and generator capability along easy access to mass transportation routes.
3. Inspect Local gas stations and other key service businesses (pharmacy/food/water) and municipal services readiness to sustain long term energy outage (and thereby have gas for home generators, and emergency services and vehicles)
4. Promote energy resiliency strategies to other key facilities that might suffer greatly from long term outages (Elder Care and medical facilities).
5. Work with town department to establish new building guidelines and processes to further enable Green buildings.
6. Promote Energy Efficiency and Solar Array (and other Renewable) as part of the Town's Building application process. Inform builder/owner of C-PACE program as part of the building application process, leveraging CT and Federal energy programs to improve ROI and savings
7. Promote with building owner the building's energy efficiency and energy independence as part of town's Business Development plan.
8. Evaluate Town Landfills and/or open space for utilization as part of the CT State Distributed Solar Array Network and Investments.
9. Create a Town transportation strategy that incorporates:
 - Electronic Vehicles, EV Charging Stations, and furthering "Complete Streets" principles connecting pedestrian and cycling commuters to mass transit
 - Evaluate Zero Emission Vehicle access initiatives- ZEV ride-sharing services or other state funding for connecting Wilton train stations to nearby Business and Shopping centers along RT7 corridor with short route busing during peak hours

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Appendix A- Signed Town Sustainable CT Resolution

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Sustainable CT Resolution

Town of Wilton, CT
Resolution Supporting Participation
In the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification Program

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Town of Wilton to participate in the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification Program

RESOLVED, by the Board of Selectmen of Wilton, CT that we do hereby authorize the Environmental Affairs Senior Analyst and or a Wilton Energy Commissioner to serve as Sustainable CT contact person(s) for the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification process and be authorized to complete the registration.

RESOLVED, that in order to promote local initiatives and actions toward Sustainable CT Municipal Certification, the Board of Selectmen expands the charge of the Wilton Energy Commission to serve as an advisory Sustainability Team.

RESOLVED, that a meeting of the Wilton Energy Commission with an agenda item titled Sustainability, will be held within 90 days of passing this resolution

RESOLVED, that the Wilton Energy Commission shall report annually to the Board of Selectmen.

Approved August 6, 2018

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Lynne A. Vanderslice", is written over a horizontal line.

Lynne A. Vanderslice
First Selectman
Town of Wilton

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Appendix B- Sample Sustainable Actions from the Sustainable CT program

Category	Example actions
1. Thriving Local Economies	1.4 Provide Resources and Support to Local Businesses
	1.6 Participate in and promote C-Pace program
2. Well Stewarded Land and Natural Resources	2.2 Create a Watershed Management Plan
	2.4 Develop an Open Space Plan
	2.5 Create a Natural Resource and Wildlife Inventory
	2.9 Manage Woodlands and Forests
	2.11 Implement Green Grounds and Maintenance program
3. Vibrant and Creative Cultural Ecosystems	3.1 Map tourism and economic development
	3.2 Support Arts and Creative Culture
	3.4 Arts and Culture program for Youth
4. Dynamic and Resilient Planning	4.1 Integrate Sustainability into POCD
	4.2 Adapt Permitting Process to Promote Sustainable development
	4.3 Develop Agricultural Friendly Practice
	4.4 Assess Climate Vulnerability
	4.5 Inventory and Assess Historic Resources
	4.6 Streamline solar permitting for small solar arrays
5. Clean and Diverse Transportation Systems and Choice	5.1-5.5 Complete streets, Parking Management, Smart Commuting, Zero Emission Vehicle, Public transportation, no idling, and mobility strategies
6. Efficient Physical Infrastructure and Operations	6.1 Benchmark and Track energy use
	6.2 Reduce energy across all municipal buildings
	6.3 Achieve High energy performance certificate
	6.4 Increase use of Renewable Energy in Municipal buldings
	6.5 Develop a Municipal Energy plan
	6.7 Install Efficient Street lamps
	6.8 Community Energy campaign
7. Strategic and Inclusive Public Services	7.1 Hold a Sustainable event
	7.2 Provide effective community communications
	7.6 Implement SMART waste reduction plans
	7.8 Develop a food waste reduction campaign
8. Healthy, Efficient and Diverse Housing	8.2 Affordable Housing options
	8.3 Multi-family housing energy program
9. Inclusive and Equitable Community Impacts	9.1 Optimize for Equity

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Appendix C- Back up details on previous WEC efforts

Since the creation of the 2010 POCD, the Wilton Energy Commission led these major accomplishments:

- 1.) Developed in 2012, the first comprehensive Wilton Energy Management Plan and benchmarked the energy use in all schools and most Town buildings.
- 2.) Designated by State of CT as Gold Standard Clean Energy Community having achieved the 20% energy reduction objective. Achieved Energy Star rating on 2 buildings. Improved residential participation in programs to 26%; and businesses to 19%. In February 2018, the TOW expects to receive it's 3rd Bright Idea Grant worth \$10,000 bringing the total award value to \$30,000.
- 3.) Teamed with Wilton Go Green on first of a kind Town Festival, Green leaf programs in the schools, and No Idling programs.
- 4.) Introduced Natural Gas Lines to portions of the TOW main commercial and school areas.
- 5.) Installing Solar on all 4 schools and the town library building. Conducted Solarize Wilton program for town residents.
- 6.) Justified the requirement for the TOW Director of Energy and Facilities Management.

More details about those contributions can be found here:

For School and Municipal Buildings:

Town of Wilton has achieved its 20% energy reduction objective for School and Municipal buildings by successfully completing the following projects: 1) LED lighting has been completed in all schools, Comstock, Town Hall; 2) energy efficient Boilers/Heating units have been completed in all schools, Comstock, Town Hall; 3) Insulation and Window replacements occurred when new construction occurred.

Across the 4 schools, the total kbtu in 2010 was 55,758,323 and was reduced to 40,085,885 in 2016, representing a 28% reduction in energy consumption.

By pursuing State and Federal grants; Wilton Energy commission secured \$32,855 from CL&P to install Power Management systems in all schools; \$212K from CL&P for energy efficiency upgrades, and \$76K from American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) for other energy efficiency upgrades. \$202,000 in EverSource rebates relating to the school boiler renovations had been received. These funds offset the town investments in energy efficiency projects and reduced the Payback period to 3 years or less on most projects.

The town has been certified for 2 of the Municipal buildings as LEED Energy Star. The next steps are to ensure LEED Silver specifications construction for the Police/Fire departments to include energy efficient boilers/heaters/ lighting, insulation.

Most recently, the Wilton Energy Commission started an initiative to bring Solar to all of Wilton schools, WHS, Middlebrook, Miller-Driscoll, and Cider Mill. The Wilton Energy Commission submitted applications to the Zero Renewable Energy Credit program, saving the town between \$1-2.5M over the next 20 years, starting in year 1. It is anticipated that 25-30% of the electric consumption of these schools will be provided by Solar energy with a total installation of over 1Megawatts of energy. Installation on all the schools is expected to be completed during 2018. As more "roof" space becomes available, exploration for additional solar will be investigated. Additionally, through community outreach programs, the Town of Wilton Library is also installing Solar.

For Local Businesses:

19% of Wilton business owners (up from 6%) have participated in various energy reduction/rebate programs since 2014 to date. To ensure maximum impact, in 2015, a large Commercial Property Assessment (C-PACE) program was offered and targeted to 12 commercial property owners, representing 26 properties and 93% of the square footage opportunity. The WEC, in conjunction with CT State energy organizations, hosted an education and

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networking session to provide information on the program. Eligible upgrades included high efficiency lighting, chillers, boilers, furnaces and water heating systems; HVAC, building enclosures and energy management systems.

For Town Residences:

Home Energy Solutions (HES) has been an ongoing program offered to TOW residents since 2014. Through 2017, 1,500 town homes, representing 26% of homeowners (up from 5% in 2010) have completed Home Energy assessments and implemented some form of energy reduction solution. In 2018, a renewed focus on this program is being jointly sponsored between Wilton Go Green and the WEC. The first communication will include a Free offering for Income Eligible households.

2016 Residential Solar program offered and accepted by 50+ TOW homes. This program will be relaunched in 2018 for the next round of interested home owners.

To: Planning and Zoning Commission Members

From: Lynne Vanderslice

Date: November 8, 2018

Subject: POCD Draft Document

At Monday's Board of Selectmen meeting, we discussed the POCD draft document. We all appreciate and thank you for the significant amount of hours that you as Planning and Zoning Commissioners are investing in this process.

I am unable to attend tonight's meeting due to a long planned engagement. Second Selectman Dave Clune will be there in my absence.

Our comments are as follows:

- We support the concepts of the plan being as a road map for the next ten years and the regular monitoring of the Town's progress against the plan. As such we feel the objectives and strategies for each goal should be more detailed and specific and thus measureable.
- Where applicable, objectives and strategies should be examined from a practical and financial perspective to determine if they can realistically be achieved. An example is the recommendation for a railroad crossing between the area of Schencks and Danbury Road. Grade crossings are no longer allowed. An elevated pedestrian crossing currently requires an elevator on each side. Upon further examination, the commission may feel strategies for another point(s) are more realistic and financially viable.
- The plan includes strategies to increase affordable housing which we understand to be affordable as defined by the state. The plan lacks strategies to address various alternative housing needs of the existing population with incomes above the state affordable levels. For example, 55% of Wilton 2016 federal tax income tax returns with a taxpayer aged 60 or above had an adjusted gross income exceeding \$100,000 as per attached schedule.
- The need for housing for lifecycles and improved cellular service should receive greater emphasis within the plan.
- The plan should have a greater focus on strategies for the traffic on RT 7 and heavily traveled secondary roads. In this regard, the plan should consider public comments on the region's Long-Range Transportation Plan and possibly align with the final plan.

- The plan should define the geographic areas where complete streets are a goal and where they are not.
- We recommend the language for Goal 12 be reconsidered. We feel the more balanced approach reflected on page 14 is more reflective of where we want or need to be.
- We recommend you reconsider the adequacy of the strength of some of the green initiatives.
- We expect the final POCD will have a useable formatting of all strategies and objectives by responsibility.

Thank you for consideration of our comments.

Attachment

2016 and 2015 federal tax returns with someone age 60 and above broken down by adjusted gross income are as follows (source IRS statistical data):

	2016		2015	
Under \$25,000:	360	15%	330	14%
\$25,000 to under \$50,000:	230	10%	220	10%
\$50,000 to under \$75,000:	230	10%	230	10%
\$75,000 to under \$100,000:	240	10%	230	10%
\$100,000 to under \$200,000:	610	26%	590	26%
\$200,000 and above:	680	29%	680	30%
Total	2,350		2,280	

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Subject: FW: POCD comments from HDC
Date: Thursday, November 08, 2018 3:54:56 PM

Thanks Allison. I'm forwarding the comments to the entire Working Group and MMI. Hope to see you this evening.

Bob

From: Sanders, Allison
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2018 3:52 PM
To: Nerney, Robert
Cc: Weatherly, Gil; Fusco, Lori; Marianne Gustafson; Pojano, Lisa; Brown, Pamela; Debbie Fink; Peter Gaboriault
Subject: Fwd: POCD comments from HDC

Hi Bob,
Comments for meeting.
Allison

Allison Gray Sanders

Begin forwarded message:

From: Allison Sanders <asanders@wiltonhistorical.org>
Date: November 8, 2018 at 2:43:12 PM EST
To: "Sanders, Allison" <allison.sanders@wiltonct.org>
Subject: POCD

Draft POCD Comments from Historic District Commission

Will there be an opportunity to insert additional photos/maps in the POCD? Photos of the National Historic Register buildings/areas, for example?

Will there be a summary page by Board/Commission of action items and their priority?

Page 45

List of Historic Districts, District #4 listed twice.

Pg 48

Comments on the bullet points:

“Better define significant historic properties” This needs clarification from the authors. It implies that the current architectural survey may not be adequate. What is the intent of the statement?

“Additional education on historic preservation is needed, as well as

clarifying the roles and responsibilities of different town boards and commissions”

These two thoughts are quite separate, and should not be combined into one statement. Roles and responsibilities of the boards should perhaps be in another section?

“The Historical Resources inventory is currently being updated” *The 2018 inventory has been completed.*

“Recent efforts to establish a local historic district in the Bald Hill neighborhood failed due to lack of property owner support” *Not sure why this is a bullet point?*

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Bullet point 2 needs clarification:

The HDC/Town does not update/maintain the historic resource survey. The Wilton Historical Society has obtained and administered the grants which have created the surveys; they are researched by architectural historians. Creating a layer on the town’s GIS for Local Historic Districts and other historic designations is a goal.

It is confusing to conflate homes afflicted by blight with historic structures endangered by development or that are in poor repair.

New bullet point: Provide budget for HDC to: mail information to owners of structures in local historic districts; to create signage for marking Local Historic Districts; historic markers for Town-owned building that are listed in the Historic Resource Inventory (available from the Wilton Historical Society).

Allison

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Subject: FW: POCD draft comment
Date: Thursday, November 08, 2018 3:33:48 PM

Thanks John! By way of copy, I'm forwarding to the Working Group and MMI.

Bob

-----Original Message-----

From: Macken, John
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2018 1:37 PM
To: Nerney, Robert
Cc: Pierce, Steve
Subject: RE: POCD draft comment

Hi Bob,

I'm very sorry for the delay on this can you please add the following comments from Parks and Recreation?

- * The Parks & Recreation Commission sub Committee on Fields recommended two new synthetic turf fields in Town the first of which to be explored will be North Field adjacent to the Kristine Lilly Field.
- * The 4 tennis courts at Middlebrook need to be replaced
- * The Track needs to be replaced
- * The Town should explore the idea of adding a pickleball court

Best,
John Macken

From: Nerney, Robert
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2018 9:24 AM
To: Low, Deborah
Cc: [PlanZoneCommMailingList](#); [Rebecca Augur](#); [Patrick Gallagher](#); [Sanders, Allison](#); [Christine Finkelstein](#); [Low, Deborah](#); [Thompson-Van, Debra](#); [Algon, Jackie](#); [Rutishauser, Jeffrey](#); [Hall, John](#); [Macken, John](#); [Vanderslice, Lynne](#); [Wrampe, Peter](#); [Rotini, Melissa-Jean](#)
Subject: RE: POCD draft comment

From: Low, Deborah
Sent: Wednesday, November 07, 2018 2:18 PM
To: Nerney, Robert
Cc: lowd@wiltonps.org
Subject: POCD draft comment

Thanks Debbie for the commentary and letting us know about tonight's conflict. Note, I'm copying the working group and MMI as we have with all commentary. Thanks again.

Bob Nerney

Bob,

Hello. I hope you got my earlier message about my not attending tomorrow night's meeting because it conflicts with our BOE meeting.

My comment:

The POCD draft is impressive and in my opinion accurately captures the issues and discussions I heard. My one comment is that in the Wilton 2029 Vision statement I suggest listing the schools. Although they could be included within the phrase "high quality services" the schools are particularly broad reaching and a major reason people move to Wilton. It is important to maintain and highlight that reputation into the future.

Thank you!

Debbie Low

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 5, 2018, at 9:52 AM, Nerney, Robert

<bob.nerney@WILTONCT.ORG<<mailto:bob.nerney@WILTONCT.ORG>>> wrote:

Hi All,

Just a reminder that we'll be holding a POCD meeting on Thursday, November 8th at 7:00 p.m. at Tracksides. Attached, please find a copy of the agenda that was emailed to you last week.

The draft plan can be downloaded by opening the below hyperlink. If you haven't already done so, please take a moment to read through this information and share your thoughts on Thursday. Thanks again.... looking forward to seeing all on Thursday!

<https://wilton2029.com/>

Bob Nerney

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