

Addison Community Survey - Results

194 responses received (open from July 2024 to Town Meeting Day 2025); about 17% of residents participated.

Thank you to the residents of the Town of Addison who participated in the recent community survey. Your thoughtful input is invaluable and will help inform the Planning Commission's ongoing work on revisions to the Town Plan.

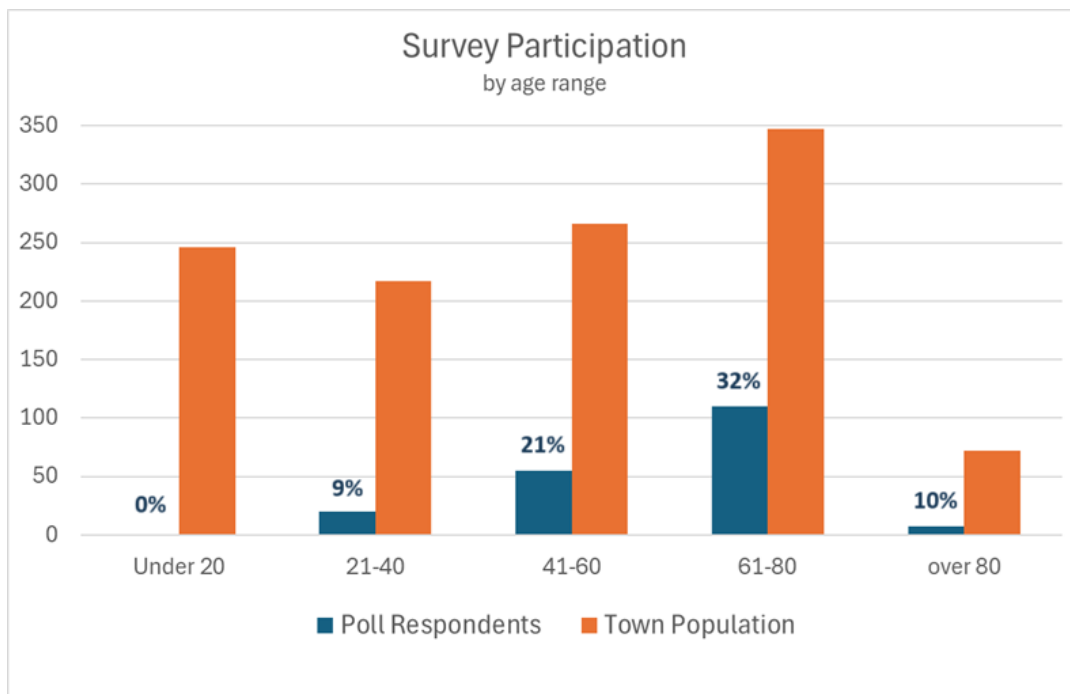
Responses reflect a range of community perspectives. Most respondents have lived in Addison for over 20 years, are over 60, and own their homes. Many are active in the community through volunteering, events, and local government. Key themes include:

- Strong support for preserving Addison's rural character and open land
- Preference for small-scale, affordable housing
- Importance of community gathering places and events
- A need to improve communication and engagement

The following summary reflects diverse views and aims to remain impartial. The Planning Commission thanks everyone who participated.

-The Addison Planning Commission

SURVEY RESPONDENTS:



Participation and response rate data sourced from: "Census Profile: Addison Town, Addison County, VT." Census Reporter. <https://censusreporter.org/profiles/06000US5000100325-addison-town-addison-county-vt/>.

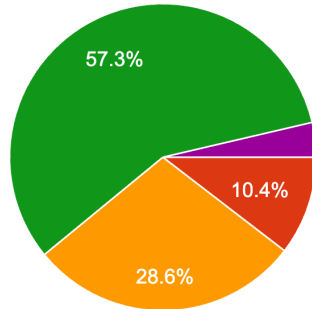
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ABOUT YOU:

What is your age?

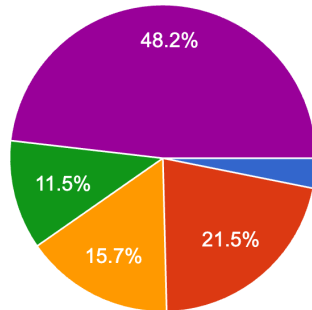
192 responses



- under 20
- 21-40
- 41-60
- 61-80
- over 80

How long have you lived in Addison?

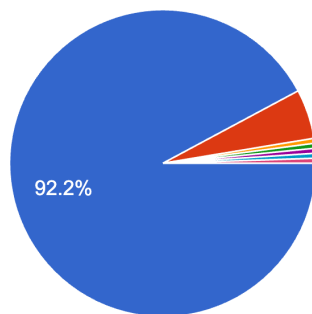
191 responses



- Less than 1 year
- 1-5 years
- 6-10 years
- 11-20 years
- More than 20 years

Do you own or rent your home?

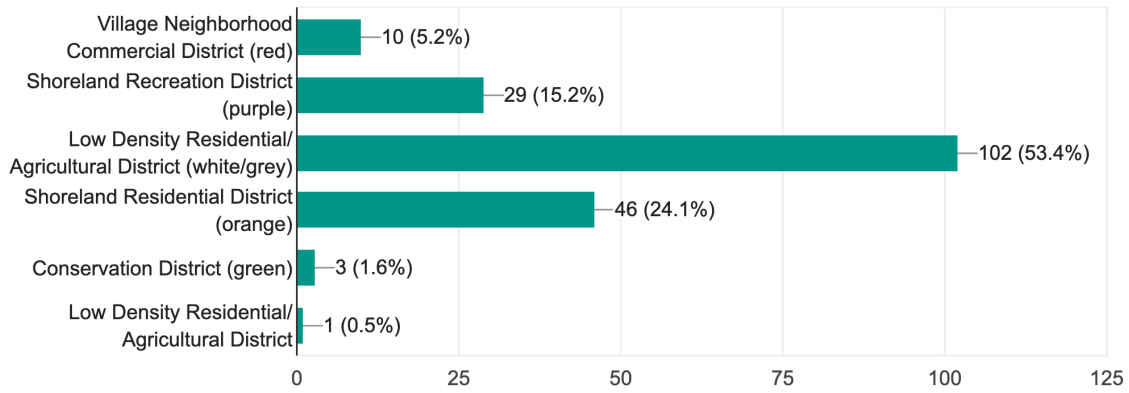
192 responses



- Own
- Rent
- I live at DAR State Park 6 months of the year as Manager.
- yes
- rent from family/rent to own
- Lake Front
- parsonage

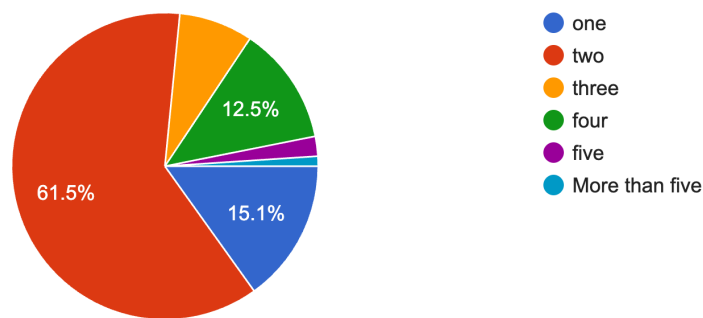
Where do you live in Addison? Refer to the Planning District map below.

191 responses



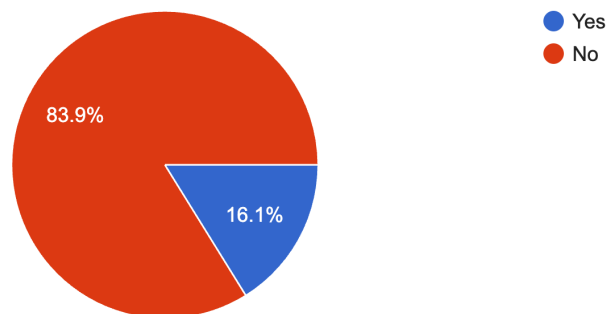
How many people are in your household? A household consists of the individuals living in your home.

192 responses



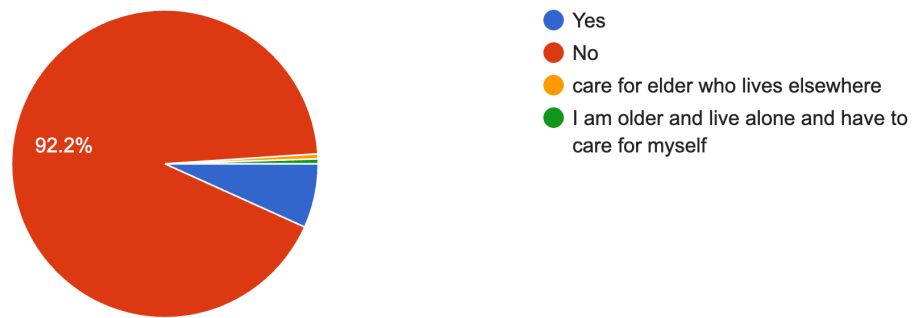
Are there children in your household? (individuals under the age of 18)

192 responses



Do you live with and/or care for older generations in your household?

193 responses



GENERAL:

List one thing that you love about living in the town of Addison.

Summary (full responses are included in the appendix):

Many residents expressed appreciation for the scenic landscape, including open spaces, mountain views, sunsets, and wildlife. The lake, along with local trails and natural areas like Snake Mountain and Dead Creek, were valued for both their beauty and recreational opportunities. Respondents cited the quiet atmosphere, privacy, and slower pace of life as important aspects of living here. Neighbors helping neighbors, kindness, and community spirit were frequently mentioned as defining qualities. Several residents shared their deep personal or family ties to the town. The continued presence of farms and open agricultural land contributes to the town's unique identity. While appreciating the rural setting, some noted the benefit of being close to nearby towns for social and practical needs.

List one thing that you would like to see change in Addison and why?

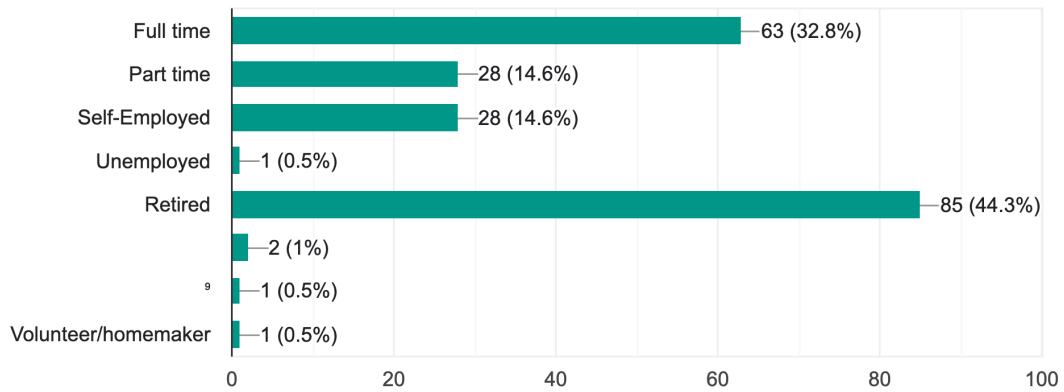
Summary (full responses are included in the appendix):

Respondents expressed a strong desire for improvements that would foster a greater sense of community, enhance town infrastructure, and address long-standing concerns about governance and affordability. The most frequently mentioned topic was the renovation and use of the historic Town Hall, with many seeing it as a potential community anchor and symbol of civic pride. Affordable housing and property taxes were also recurring themes, with several respondents noting the challenge of keeping Addison accessible to young families, working residents, and retirees. Concerns about town leadership, transparency, and inclusivity were common, with calls for more accountable, forward-thinking governance. Relatedly, some respondents highlighted the importance of better communication from town officials and more opportunities for public engagement. Other priorities included lake and environmental conservation, road and traffic safety, and a desire for community events and recreational opportunities to strengthen connections among residents. A subset of responses reflected tensions between long-term residents and newer arrivals, with differing views on growth, change, and the town's identity. Several respondents also emphasized the need for economic development, including more local businesses and services, improved transportation options, and expanded infrastructure to support community vitality and sustainability.

LIFESTYLE:

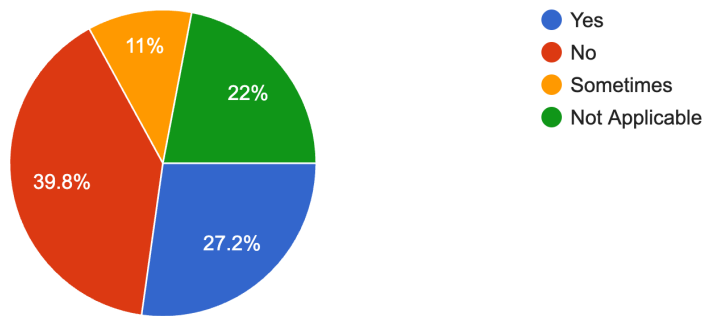
What is your employment status? Select all that apply

192 responses



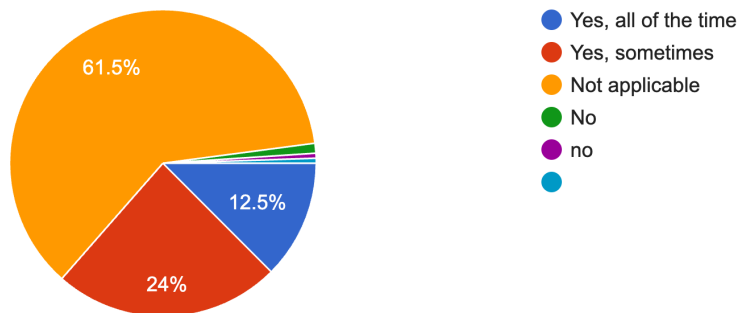
Do you commute to work outside of Addison?

191 responses



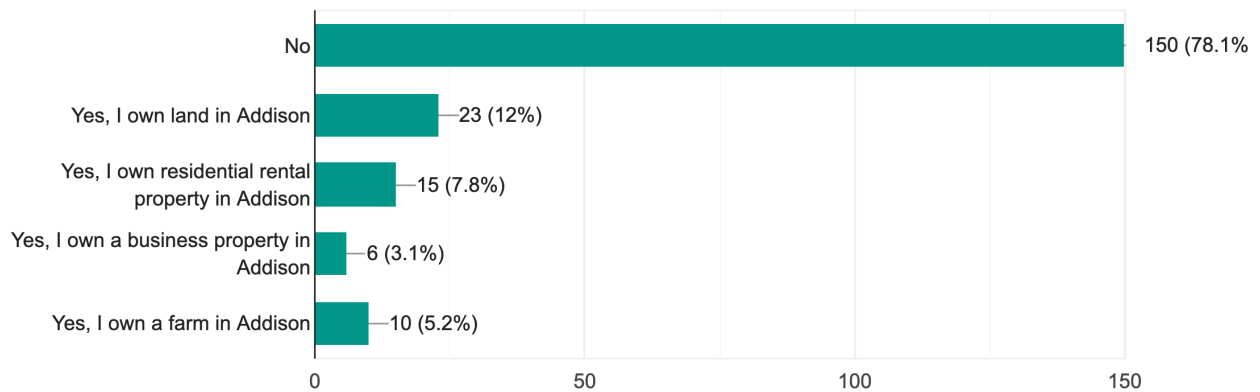
Do you work remotely?

192 responses



Other than your home, do you own property in Addison? Select all that apply.

192 responses



How are you involved in your community?

Summary (full responses are also included below):

The following two charts summarize community responses to the question of community involvement. Most respondents report being engaged in some form of community activity, with participation in community events and attendance on Town Meeting Day as the most common types of involvement. Many individuals reported owning businesses and volunteering. A smaller but notable number are actively involved in town government. A few respondents also highlighted specific roles, such as helping with elections, working at DAR State Park, serving on the fire department or library, and supporting schools.

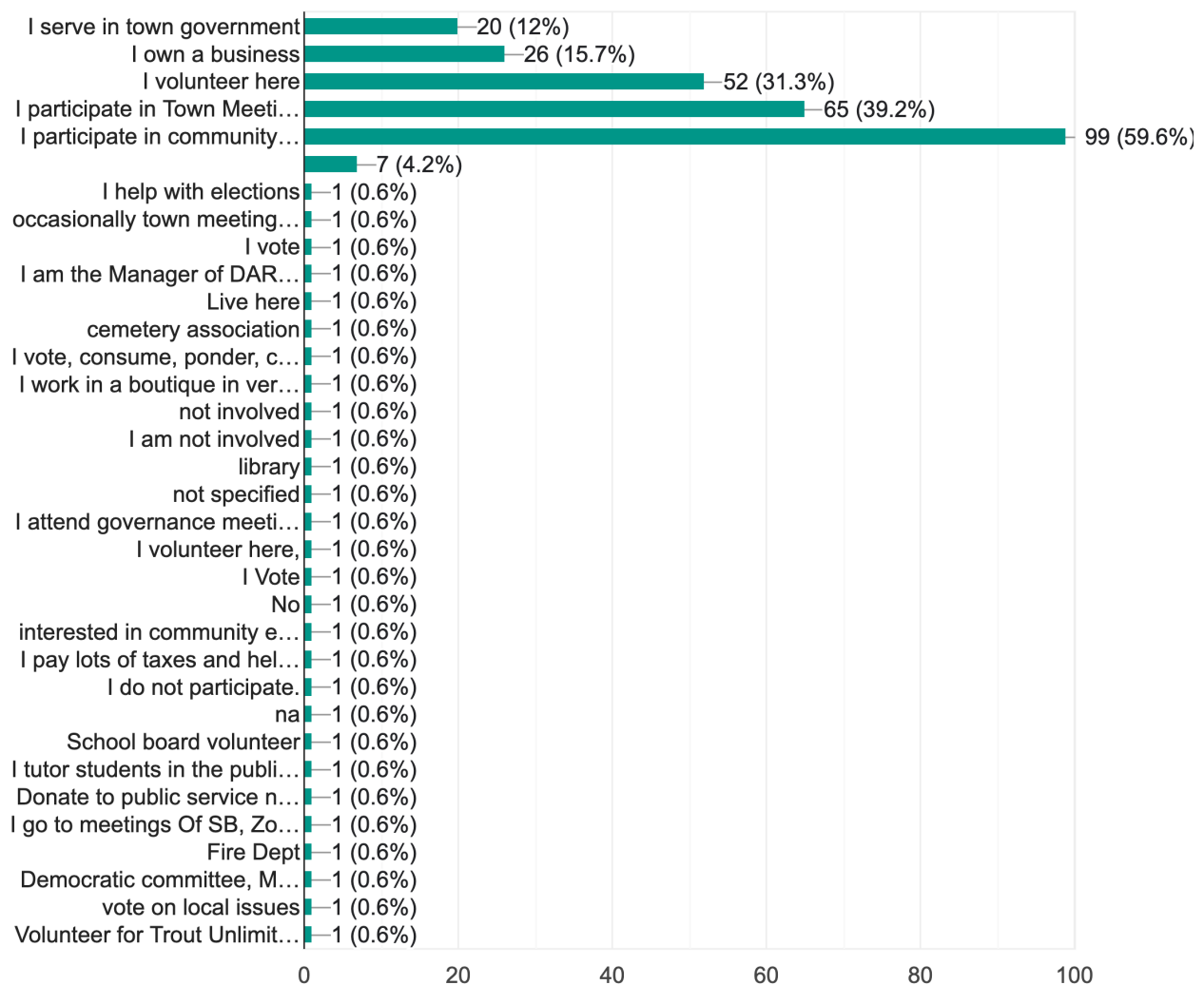
Response (sorted alphabetically)	Count
Democratic committee, Maga Solar group	1
Donate to public service needs (fire,police, public radio)	1
I Vote	1
I am not involved	1
I am the Manager of DAR State Park.	1
I do not participate.	1
I help with elections	1
I own a business	9
I own a business, I participate in community events	3
I own a business, I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events	1
I own a business, I volunteer here, I participate in community events	2
I own a business, I volunteer here, I participate in Town Meeting Day	2
I own a business, I volunteer here, I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events	2

I own a business, I volunteer here, I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events, I attend governance meetings	1
I participate in community events	30
I participate in community events, cemetery association	1
I participate in community events, Fire Dept	1
I participate in community events, I work in a boutique in vergennes	1
I participate in community events, library	1
I participate in community events, not specified	1
I participate in Town Meeting Day	12
I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events	20
I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events, I go to meetings Of SB, Zoning and DRB and Town Hall	1
I pay lots of taxes and help my elderly neighbors.	1
I serve in town government	3
I serve in town government, I own a business	1
I serve in town government, I own a business, I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events	1
I serve in town government, I own a business, I volunteer here, I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events	4
I serve in town government, I participate in Town Meeting Day	1
I serve in town government, I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events	1
I serve in town government, I volunteer here	1
I serve in town government, I volunteer here, I participate in community events	1
I serve in town government, I volunteer here, I participate in Town Meeting Day	1
I serve in town government, I volunteer here, I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events	6
I volunteer here	10
I volunteer here,	1
I volunteer here, I participate in community events	9
I volunteer here, I participate in community events, School board volunteer	1
I volunteer here, I participate in Town Meeting Day	1
I volunteer here, I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events	10
I volunteer here, I participate in Town Meeting Day, I participate in community events, I tutor students in the public school	1
I vote	1
I vote, consume, ponder, complain, and dream.	1
interested in community events	1
Live here	1

na	1
No	1
not involved	1
occasionally town meeting; briefly involved with Town Hall group	1
Volunteer for Trout Unlimited - & "Trout in the Classroom" program	1
vote on local issues	1

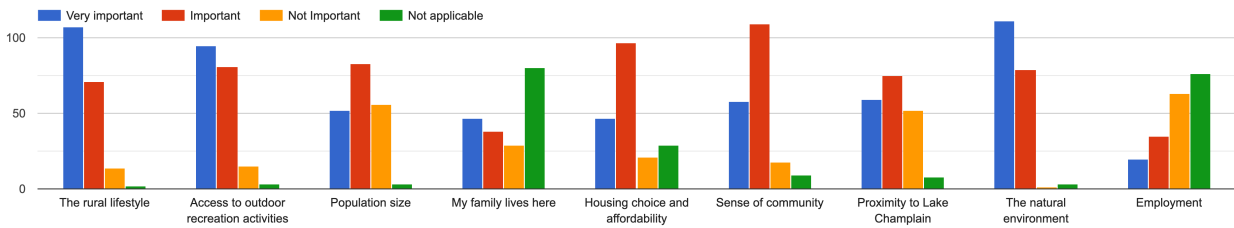
How are you involved in your community? Select all that apply.

166 responses



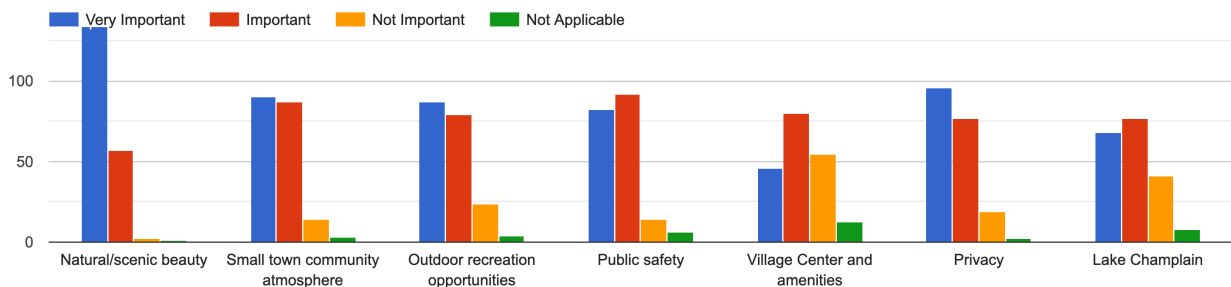
COMMUNITY VALUES:

How important are the following to you as to why you live in Addison?



Survey respondents indicated that Addison’s rural lifestyle, access to outdoor recreation, and natural environment are among the most important reasons they live in the town. Housing choice and affordability and a sense of community also ranked highly, while employment and population size were less frequently cited as key factors. For many, family connections and proximity to Lake Champlain were of moderate importance. A notable portion found employment not applicable.

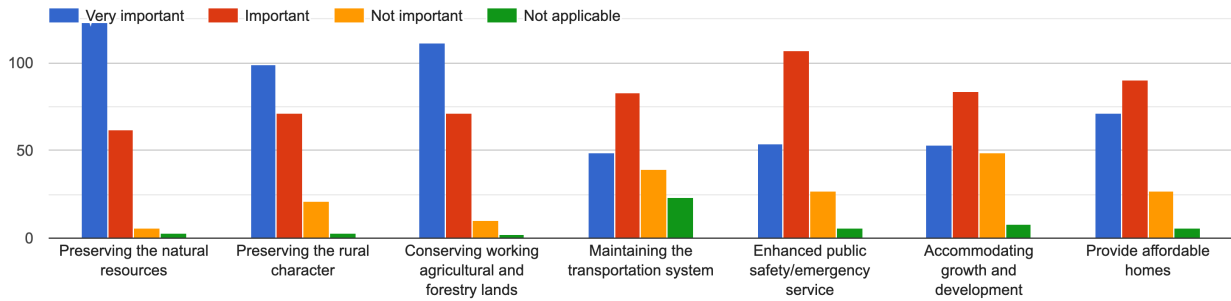
How important are the following to you and your lifestyle in Addison?



In terms of lifestyle values, natural and scenic beauty received the highest number of “Very Important” responses, followed closely by outdoor recreation, privacy, and public safety. Small-town atmosphere and Lake Champlain were also considered important by many. Village center amenities saw more mixed responses, with fewer rating them as “Very Important.” Overall, the data suggests strong appreciation for Addison’s natural setting and rural character, with community safety and connection also playing significant roles in residents' quality of life.

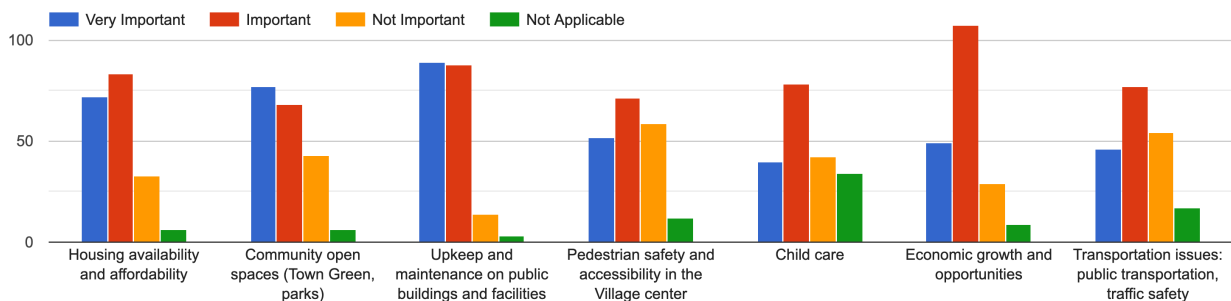
COMMUNITY CHALLENGES & NEEDS:

How do you rate the importance of the following challenges facing Addison in the next 5-10 years?



Respondents identified preserving natural resources, conserving working lands, and preserving rural character as top challenges for Addison over the next 5–10 years, with strong majorities rating these as “very important.” Affordable housing and enhanced public safety/emergency services were also viewed as important challenges, though opinions were more varied on issues like transportation and accommodating growth.

Which of these topics do you feel should be addressed in Addison in the next 2-3 years?

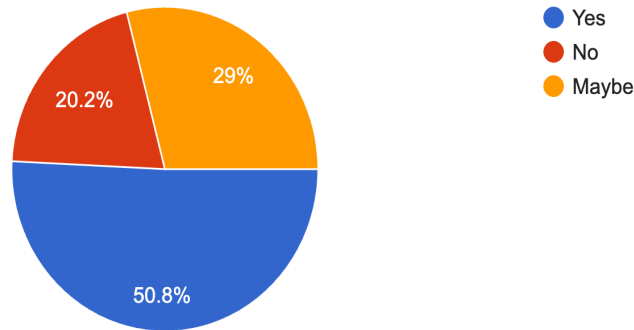


Looking ahead to the next 2–3 years, respondents expressed strong support for addressing housing availability and affordability, upkeep of public buildings and facilities, and community open spaces. Economic growth and child care were rated as “important” by many, though fewer considered them “very important.” Transportation and pedestrian safety received a mix of responses, indicating differing views on urgency, but were still broadly seen as important to address.

HOUSING:

Do you think there is a need for more housing in Addison?

193 responses



What type of housing do you think is needed in Addison?

Summary (full responses are also included below):

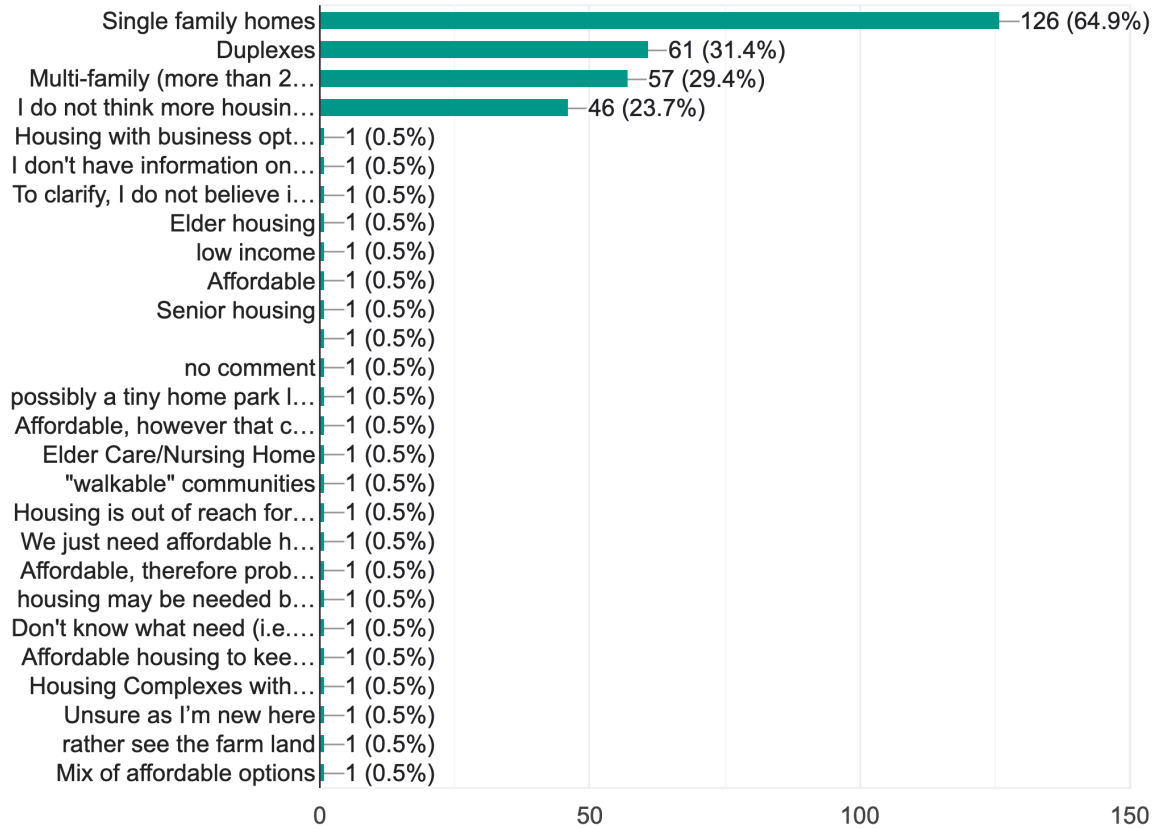
The following two charts summarize community responses to the question of what types of housing are needed in Addison. The most commonly supported option was single family homes, selected by nearly 65% of respondents. Duplexes were the next most frequently chosen at 31.4%, followed by multi-family housing (more than two units) at 29.4%. 23.7% of respondents indicated that they do not think more housing is needed in Addison. All other responses—including suggestions for elder care, affordable housing, or alternative housing types like tiny home parks—were mentioned by a single respondent each, reflecting a wide range of individual perspectives. Overall, the results show strong community support for traditional, lower-density housing types, alongside a minority who question the need for any new housing at all.

Response (sorted alphabetically)	Count
Affordable	1
Affordable housing to keep younger generation in area.	1
Affordable, however that can be achieved	1
Affordable, therefore probably duplex. Not multi-family.	1
Don't know what need (i.e. how many people need housing and ability to live here and work near higher populated centers where jobs are)	1
Duplexes	1
Duplexes, Housing is out of reach for an average one income household.	1
Duplexes, Multi-family (more than 2 units per structure)	5
Duplexes, possibly a tiny home park location with septic and electricity available for affordability	1
Elder Care/Nursing Home	1
housing may be needed but farmland must be preserved in large tracts	1

I do not think more housing is needed in Addison.	42
I do not think more housing is needed in Addison.,	1
I do not think more housing is needed in Addison., rather see the farm land	1
I don't have information on this issue. Is there a demand? There is limited employers and no school.	1
Mix of affordable options	1
Multi-family (more than 2 units per structure)	3
no comment	1
Senior housing	1
Single family homes	59
Single family homes, Duplexes	13
Single family homes, Duplexes, Elder housing	1
Single family homes, Duplexes, Housing with business options	1
Single family homes, Duplexes, Multi-family (more than 2 units per structure)	36
Single family homes, Duplexes, Multi-family (more than 2 units per structure), low income	1
Single family homes, Duplexes, Multi-family (more than 2 units per structure), We just need affordable housing however we can get it, for local people, not out-of-staters	1
Single family homes, Housing Complexes with Pool/Gym/Activities center, Walking	1
Single family homes, I do not think more housing is needed in Addison.	2
Single family homes, Multi-family (more than 2 units per structure)	10
Single family homes, Multi-family (more than 2 units per structure), "walkable" communities	1
To clarify, I do not believe it is the towns responsibility to ensure low cost house or increase housing. The free market system should dictate if economically viable low cost housing works. Let the market operate it.	1
Unsure as I'm new here	1

What type of housing do you think is needed in Addison? Check all that you feel are appropriate.

194 responses



THE ADDISON COMMUNITY CENTER (FKA Addison Central School):

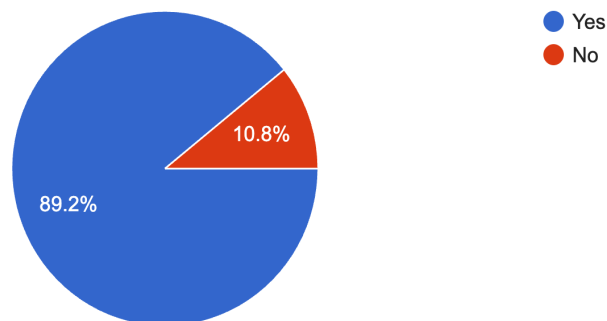
What are your ideas for this space?

Summary (full responses are included in the appendix):

Respondents offered a wide range of ideas for the recently acquired school building, with the most common suggestions centering on its use as a community space. Many supported transforming the building into a multi-purpose community center that could host recreational activities (e.g., gym access, pickleball, yoga), public events, arts programming, and social services. There was strong support for child care and elder care facilities, as well as town offices, with several respondents noting the building's size and accessibility. A number of respondents emphasized the need for the building to be financially sustainable, suggesting it be partially or fully leased, rented, or sold to offset costs or avoid tax burdens. Ideas for revenue-generating uses included commercial rentals, event spaces, or public/private partnerships. Some advocated for affordable housing, senior housing, or mixed-use development, while others raised concerns about the building's condition, possible environmental hazards (e.g., asbestos, PCBs), and ongoing maintenance costs. Several respondents recommended a thorough feasibility study or suggested the building be demolished or sold, particularly if it cannot be viably reused. The responses reflect a desire for both practical and visionary uses, with a focus on meeting community needs and generating income.

Do you think the grounds around the Addison Community Center should be designed as a community open space or Village Green?

185 responses



What are your ideas for the grounds?

Summary (full responses are included in the appendix):

Community members shared a wide range of ideas for the future use of the community center grounds. The most common suggestions emphasized preserving and enhancing the space as a welcoming, functional area for recreation, gatherings, and community connection. Many respondents supported maintaining or improving recreational features, such as updated playground equipment, multi-use playing fields, walking trails, and sports courts. Ideas also included winter-friendly amenities like a skating rink or sledding hill. There was broad interest in creating a flexible green space that could host community events such as farmers markets, local concerts, art fairs, and seasonal gatherings. Covered structures, such as a pavilion or gazebo, were also suggested. Several respondents proposed community gardens, pollinator plantings, and native landscaping. Others recommended adding benches. Suggestions included adding features such as picnic areas, dog-friendly zones, EV charging stations, and improved

traffic flow and safety around the site. Accessibility for all ages and abilities was noted as a key consideration. Some residents encouraged low-cost, volunteer-led improvements or minimal intervention to preserve open space. Others raised ideas for housing or additional town functions. Several emphasized the importance of aligning any investment with a broader plan for town-owned properties.

APPENDIX:

List one thing that you love about living in the town of Addison.

Full list of responses:

Open space
The outstanding natural beauty.
Small community!!
Quiet and slow pace
The historic structures
It's quiet rural living.
The people/ community
Neighbors, the view!
The big, beautiful skies.
The community of people here.
The diversity of backgrounds within the community.
The community--the people who come together to help each other. I recently experienced flooding and wouldn't have gotten through it without my friends.
The lake.
The beauty. As a born and raised Vermonter in the mountains of Southern Vermont, I love the open spaces and views and farmland.
Lake Champlain
The friendly, welcoming, small town atmosphere.
Keep the rural areas as they are. Restrict development
Being able to see Snake Mountain, the Green Mountains, and the Adirondacks just by turning around.
Good neighbors
The rural beauty
Low crime
The open space and stunning views of farm land/mountains/and the lake
View and access to lake Champlain
Access to the lake and trails on and around Snake Mt.
Lake Champlain
Closeness of neighbors

Family
I'm away from everyone
Small, rural community.
Views of the Adirondacks and Snake Mountain
Rural life
The agriculture, working farms and views
Privacy
Small population
ther very high taxes
Lake View
Peasce
Natural beauty, rural character
Access to Lake Champlain, the beautiful sunsets.
The open big sky living
my family lives here
The setting. The sweeping, open views of the land. The sunsets. The lake. The rainbows.
Our proximity to Middlebury (and Vergennes/Bristol) for socialization and amenities is a plus.
Community
The views and the people
Neighbors and community
Open land
Rural open spaces.
I love seeing the had working families at our State Park! I love the unique stores such as WAGS and Addison Our Corners.
It's rural charm not over developed where you can experience nature and wildlife.
The great view and great neighbors.
It's open space yet proximity to Middlebury/Vergennes.
small town feel
The natural beauty
Small community - neighbors helping neighbors. SADLY this is changing!!!
Small town
Farms
The people are passionate!
Scenery
Seclusion

Hospital Creek ice skating
The vistas
Adirondak Mountain Views
My view
My neighbors.
Rural nature and friendly people and helpful neighbors
i've lived here for 63 years all my life Don't know of any other place HOWEVER we need MORE ZONING for businesses for commercial use !!!
Open space and adirondack mountain views
Peacefulness
Good Neighbors
The beauty
ADK views
My home
The view.
The cows outnumber the people
It's HOME
small town
the people
Farms
The lake
Rual setting
Quiet
used to be friendly community--not so much anymore-can feel a division happening
The scenery and possibilities.
it's beautiful
Small town community atmosphere
Lake Champlain
Neighbors
Easy going life
The lake, small town feel, safety
The lake
proximity to Lake Champlain
The Lake and the working farms and the friendliness of our neighbors.
Lake Champlain
Beauty and location (lake), location (Vergennes, Middlebury, Burlington)

Beautiful
Rural
Beautiful and quiet, love lake Champlain and that it's close to other areas, small community
Low traffic
Privacy
The lake
The beauty
open ness of Addison
Dead Creek, Snake Mountain
It's beauty
Beauty and sense of community
The quiet small town feel.
It's beauty, wildlife
It's home
Beautiful area
The natural beauty, our view, and the great people/neighbors who will help you in a heartbeat.
my neighbors
The general beauty of the area, and the inherent kindness of most residents here.
The people
close proximity to the Green Mountains as well as the Adirondacks
Rural lifestyle (similar to how I grew up).
My view of the lake from my home
Atmosphere
The Scenic Views
The sense of community, the beautiful scenery. (That's two things, sorry!)
Beauty
The beauty
Beauty of the rural views, hiking trails @ snake mountain, snow geese, bird watching @ dead creek
Common sense seems to still prevail.
very rural
Privacy
The mountain views. Away from the city - less traffic.
Rural living and being away from development
Natural beauty
Community

Privacy
Small Community
Scenic beauty; But why have junk yards been tolerated for years in residential areas?
Rural character
Quiet, rural nature.
Small/Rural
Everyone knows your name and will show up to help you out with out being asked
scenery
Views
My home and gardens, my neighbors, safety and security, access to Lake Champlain
Peace and quiet, good neighbors
Rural character
My neighbors
The view out my window.
Affordable access to Lake Champlain
Nature
Natural beauty
The different landscape areas with views of Green Mountains to the east and the Adirondacks to the west.
Access to Snake Mountain
rural community
close proximity to a variety of recreational opportunities
The beauty
The land
Quiet and rural yet easy access to e.g. Middlebury.
The lake
My close proximity to Lake Champlain and my neighbors.
Clear clean Air, QUITE
Natural recreation access
Lake Champlain
Lived in the town my whole life 64 years
The people and the natural beauty
The people here are kind and I love that there is a lot of open spaces. Love our farmers
Rural
Location
Open, good neighborhood,location

It's "home"
Caring neighbors and beautiful views
natural, open spaces, views, outdoor recreation - Snake Mt, Dead Creek
High property taxes
Sense of privacy.
Open spaces/agricultural landscape
Cordialness of neighbors & sense of community

List one thing that you would like to see change in Addison and why?

Full list of responses:

Better communication to prevent misunderstanding.....it is getting better!
Lake pollution reduction.
Figure a way to use the school building for town offices and community center!!
Fix the Town Hall building
I look forward to seeing the town hall renovated and put to good use as town offices and community meeting space. The town has voted in favor of every investment in that project over the years. Let's get it done and start enjoying a functional town hall!
Need more police presence .
Bring town hall building back to life
I think the school should be leveled. Why spend money for upkeep??
Leadership and transparency. It is time for fresh ideas and more inclusivity for those who wish to exert their opinions and effort to improve our town.
Old Town Hall and school are run down and a bit sad. I know not everyone can afford more taxes but I think replacing them with a small, useable Town Hall would be a great investment for the town.
Inclusion of all residents whether they were born in Vermont or not.
The status quo of town government and management. We need to make Addison more attractive to younger families. I am part of the aging population, and I am afraid that now that we no longer have a school, young families will not want to live here. Take action on the school building ASAP. Use grants to restore the old Town Hall. Do everything possible to revive and renew this town.
Before significant things are voted on there should be a detailed plan in writing to inform the voters.
Lake properties selling for too much money.
Less pollution of lake champlain
More responsible use of taxpayer dollars. I.e. roadway maintenance and infrastructure upkeep.
Work with state to provide better lake access
More vision and openness to thoughtful development by Selectboard. We need new people with energy and ideas to resuscitate Addison. Fear of the unknown and resistance to change will lead nowhere. It is possible to implement programs and initiatives that preserve our precious rural character without losing the things we love about Addison. Embrace enlightened change.
More affordable housing to help keep the young people here.

We need businesses, to attract applicants, who need affordable housing, and to encourage restaurants to be built and visitors.
I'd like to see the historic town hall finally restored. It is hard to imagine a village green without that property being repaired
More opportunities to get together with neighbors about local issues. I have no idea what is happening with the town select board
The town hall is embarrassing; I would like the renovations to move forward as planned.
More community events, like Vergennes and Bristol. Bring the town together.
Fewer outsiders trying to change things!
Cheaper taxes and not spending money foolishly
Renovate old town hall for town clerk's office.
More welcoming of new families moving into the area with new ideas and less thinking of "them" v "Us" . Also town officials being more open to new ways of doing things
Openness in politics. So we all know what is happening near the same time
22A is a hazard, ticketing for speed/reckless driving could raise funds for the community. No more solar panels in fields please- keep them on roofs.
Public transportation, more affordable housing and more commerce at the four corners
High taxes - making it unaffordable to live here
the very high taxes
Designated bike/walking/running trails along side roads for safe biking
A sane town plan balancing business development with housing.
More community events, like festivals or town socials
Taxes are out of control, not just an Addison issue, but VT is becoming unaffordable.
Resistance to the Town Hall renovation. I truly believe that renovating the Town Hall will elevate our sense of pride in our community and will bring the community together.
more public safety- enforce speed limits on town and state roads
I'd love to have a couple of annual town events, other than Town Meeting Day. Events that you look forward to happening each year, that connect you with people from our town, and opportunities for people from other towns to participate.
I wrote about our proximity to Middlebury and other towns for socialization and amenities as a good thing in a prior question. I do want to note the privilege that comes with having a car in our town. Residents need to have a motor vehicle to access almost everything in Addison, unless you live close enough to walk to a general store.
State pay tax on land
The sense of community
More job opportunities and affordable housing
Town hall building improvements put on hold.
I used to live full time in Bridport but was priced out after COVID.
More police presence on the roads. People speed way too fast.
The town is currently divided. I hope we can come together. I hope the old town hall building gets renovated and once again becomes the heartbeat of the town.

I would love to see stronger community elements, ways to bring the people together in productive and positive ways. People are very separate these days and I believe a strong community is important for resiliency especially in times of economic and environmental difficulties.

more housing and more people.

The division among its residents because there is no sense of community here

More community events

No, transplants in town politics long term residents only. These people move in from another state or town and try and make our town like the place they just left. All at the cost of locals who can't afford the increasing taxes

Lower taxes! Stop having out of staters in our town boards !

I would like to see a centralized community involving govt, individuals, and businesses. The farm/rural nature of the area doesn't lead to a strong sense of community or anything for the people to coalesce around.

greater oversight into dairy farm run-off

Clamer lake Champlain, agricultural polluters prosecuted, more PR for Addison to increase tax base

Lower taxes

eliminate 18 wheeler truck traffic in Vergennes on 22A

Public Space, Things to do, Public Boat Ramp, Businesses to offset property taxes.

Wasted funding! A K.A. overspending in areas that could be better stewarded.

With so much farmland not being used there could be more done about affordable housing.

people moving here from out of town because they love the beauty then COMPLAIN !! they want to change the characteristics to like the place they moved here from

improvement in roads. State highways are downright unsafe

Route 17 & 22A traffic... despite knowing it cannot be changed.

Active Parks and Rec Department - Outdoor Activities and organized activities

More businesses, commerce for tax purposes and jobs!!!!

Less freight through town, so loud and ruins the roads.

Politics. No explanation needed

The high cost of living here! It's too expensive to live here.

Lower taxes

Taxes are too high....save our money and forget the town hall

finish and implement the Rt22A transportation plan

Town hall rehabbed , give the town some character

Keep taxes low

Reduced taxes

Truck bypass

Renovate and use the town hall to give Addison an actual town center we can be proud of.

addition of a good, quality chain-grocery store

Lower taxes. As I get closer to retirement I am looking to leave Addison and Vermont because I won't be able to afford living here on my retirement
through large truck traffic in Vergennes
Bus system so that when I can no longer drive I won't be trapped in my home
Less large truck traffic on Rt 125 between the bridge and Rt 22A
I'd like to see small community schools come back
School taxes - exorbitantly high for the return.
Leadership. The lack of leadership and engagement from current selectboard members is contributing to a greater divide in this community. Members of the selectboard are also incapable of acting and making decisions objectively.
Local businesses complain of a labor shortage and this is connected to a housing shortage. I'd like to see more housing units. This would help employers and would lead to some economic growth. I favor modest growth.
A different select board with forward thinking ideas
Greatly expand on zones for commercial use. We need to provide for business to come to the town. Alleviate tax burden while bringing in more young families. We need to be less of a bedroom community.
Different type of groundings on dirt roads so we can walk without breathing in so much dust
Pave more of the roads
Would love to see more community building events to foster familiarity and comraderie, would enjoy more unity
Need bike paths/lanes
The high cost of living here. Hard to afford living here.
not sure
lower taxes for retired seniors
I would like to see more emphasis on conservation
Small town old school bigotry
More of a sense of community spirit
I would like to see the historic town hall restored and used for the town clerk's office, as well as community meetings and events in the beautiful upstairs space. It should be the heart of Addison.
Develop Addison as a town with a real town center and an area to be proud of. Right now, people can drive through Addison on its main roads and hardly even notice it. In the not so near future, people will see Vermont as a climate refuge and we should not only be ready for it, but ready to accept and control the expansion that will accompany this inevitability. We are not so far from Burlington that people will be ready to commute by car or train. And public transportation (the train) can be easily
more affordable housing
Traffic control at intersection of 22A and 17. I've seen/ had too many almost accidents
I would like to see the Town Hall Project completed.
A physical place to come together for a variety of Events, discussions, food, music. In this divisive time, we all need a place to reinforce what we have in common and the importance of community.

The xenophobia, and suspicion from some of the longer-term residents have made us feel unwelcome here. Possibly because of those attitudes, and also because the town has made development and growth very difficult, the population is aging and diminishing. This means we're all more isolated. It also means that there are fewer taxpayers in the town to share the tax responsibilities, and higher taxes for all of us.

We need a new, modern, town clerk's office that we can be proud of. The existing office is an embarrassment.

Town governance. Currently the Select Board too often does not serve the interests of the majority in the town. Its actions are aimed to please a minority, and it seems to be unaccountable in this regard. If we are to live in a representative democracy, this has to change.

More walkable and bikable

Town hall renovation

Strong Internet Access so that we can participate in our world.

The selectboard. They are out for themselves and a small contingent of people and do not represent the whole town.

A bike/recreation path from bridge thru Lake St.

More community events to bring people together

More opportunities for community gathering & spontaneous interaction in town center businesses

The town get a lot more business friendly, it would help pay taxes, it would provide jobs, it would give young people an opportunity here. We have enough rich retirees as it is.

more winter road care

Transportation for seniors who can no longer drive

Keep cost of living here reasonable. Address the issue of the school budget - property taxes are killing us. Revisit school choice for children in Addison.

People trying to turn us into something we are not. People live here because of the beauty, quiet, natural environment with abundance of wildlife and outdoor rec.

Community isolation; loneliness

Selectboard

lower taxes

Traffic through the Four Corners

Somehow slow down the traffic in the "village" on 22A, someone is going to get killed.

Lower Taxes - Tax burden becoming increasingly difficult for most all income levels and age groups - School Tax + spending are unacceptable for many - Addison as in the entire state of VT has a huge issue here.

Clean up where the school buses park. Does the Town get rent for this space? No school - why should buses, gas, oil all over that land area.

Better upkeep of public buildings

Select board members should not have spouses, siblings or children holding offices like we have now

The lack of participation in local government. People don't know what/who they are voting for

Less misinformation and divisiveness in politics of town.

Renovation of the Historic Town Hall should be completed for the future investment of our community. I am very disappointed that we are allowing the building to go into such decline.

Our tax money spent wisely. Use the existing space/buildings we have for our town clerk/ offices.
More affordable housing: to bring in more families, currently excluded by property prices, to generate more of a community spirit. Maybe this requires reduction in lot size near the town centers?
Affordable taxes
More of a town center for a community feel
Better leadership and community harmony
Public bus service to Middlebury and Vergennes
More open access to town government (for example emails listed on the website) so that members of the community can voice their opinions more easily
More emphasis on conservation because this is what sets Addison apart from the rest of the suburban world.
To see the Four Corners area revitalized with Town Hall restoration and preservation, and a permanent standalone office space for the Town Clerk within the Town Hall building.
More representative government. Currently the selectboard consistently follows either a minority agenda or its own agenda.
15 year resident before transplants can run for town office
I would like a Town Hall, Community Center, and grounds which are functional and aesthetically pleasing
More commercial spaces. Maybe a restaurant. Also more young families and efforts to unite those families.
Better town center
I would like to see more affordable housing and childcare so families don't have to struggle so much.
Do something with the old town hall. It's an eyesore . Either fix it or tear it down.
Have citizens unite to rebuild the town hall because historically that is its purpose.
Hostility
Family recreation programs to create more sense of community
Need a community space
Keep local residents that have been in this town for 30 years on the town boards! Not the people who have moved into our town and want change it!!!
More connection
I would like all of the embarrassing bickering to stop. The Townhall could be fixed for less if it were not classified as historical. Folks wouldn't have as big a tax burden from it. It fell into such disrepair and now the same is happening to the building being used for the town clerk office. I don't want to see a bunch of changes being pushed by people who moved here from elsewhere. If you liked it enough to move here then you should also like it enough to leave it the way you found it
Politics. Too much bickering
Like to have a selectboard that would listen to the residents
Put the school to work, not burden the town.
More community building
A post office drop box in the center of town near town clerks office would be very helpful for mail drop off

More transparency by Town officials
More of a community gathering spot, especially since closing ACS
high property taxes - less large dairy farms -stop prop tax breaks for farms- pave roads build some decent infrastructure- quit pandering to large corporate farms and dairies. They are just polluting our waters and abusing natural resources and not really paying their fair share to the community. Develop economic engines that are not ag based - a real economic engine.
Access to town beach and area for boat trailers.
Traffic speeds especially on 22A. Dangerous. Let's ticket heavily as a fundraiser!
Better usage and upkeep of town buildings and a more functional Town Clerk's Office in the Town Hall

THE ADDISON COMMUNITY CENTER (FKA Addison Central School):

What are your ideas for this space?

Full list of responses:

Community center, gym time for basketball pickleball kickball etc. Yoga or exercise classes. Naturalist presentations. Local artists. Blood drive
House the Addison Town Historical Society, income sensitive senior housing, community use such as fitness, child care, senior center, walk in health clinic for lower income residents and farm workers.
Activities for children-families!!
Child and adult daycare, after school programs, business incubator
The sections of the building that are in disrepair and serve no purpose to the town should be removed. The taxpayers don't need the extra burden of subsidizing an unprofitable rental business, nor the legal liability. Heat and maintain the buildings we have a use for and get rid of the rest.
I could see it as a community center where people could use it as a gym, art center, classes, etc. With so many rooms there could be multiple attractive interests for all of Addison County.
Community center
Not a Christian school!!
Lease or sell it to a company/entity in order to recoup/cover the operating expenses.
I would tear down both buildings (old Town Hall and school) and build a nice, small town office and meeting space.
Commercial and community rentals; meeting space.
First, I am still angry that voters were ignored and the school was closed. Who wants to live in a community without a school? Second, the building has sat vacant for far too long. So much can be done with it--let's get moving on it! It could house a wonderful childcare center. It could provide elderly daycare. It could offer a community rec center with a gym, pickleball courts, basketball, art classes, etc. It could support local artists and entrepreneurs. It could house key services that this community needs, like a free food pantry, bone builders (weight bearing exercise for older community members), social services, mental health services, doctors (so needed!). It could house a town library. It could house a small coffee shop/grab and go cafe (similar to the one in the old Kennedy Bros. building in Vergennes). It could offer a town theater. It should generate income for the town and provide services that will enhance the lives of those living in Addison. Please--start now.
Town hall, meeting space, voting space, rec space.
Child and eldercare

Town offices, Community use.
Day care center sounds good
It would be good that the building is used for the Town offices. Much more space is available, and more easily accessible to people with mobility difficulties. It also would be good to use part of the building for a day care as that is definitely needed in the area. Having the gym/cafeteria again available for public use will also be a plus.
town offices, , child care, recreation and any other need to offset costs
Business incubator center, child care, and senior activities
After school program space,
A community recreation space with health classes, elderly services, community meeting space, scouting and other group meeting space to name a few
A community meeting space for large events and rental space for businesses
Town clerks office. There would be plenty of room for future growth. Lots of room for town meetings and voting. Rooms for day care
Town offices! Rental of facilities to Addison taxpayers!
Town hall/town clerk's office and be able to rent gym space for private events
Senior housing, childcare center
Events to bring the community together- playgroups, book club, holiday market, monthly farmers market, yoga classes
Community use and rental
affordable housing or child care or both
Small business, community center, town clerk better space
Town clerk's office, recreational opportunities, rental opportunities (long term for businesses or short term such as parties), daycare, satellite spot for project independence type elder day program.
The building should be used as town offices and rental space.
Town offices/meeting space.
Renovate historic town hall and move town offices in. Use school building for child care, elder care, affordable housing, businesses or whatever is feasible.
Allow use by the public, rent it to cover the expenses of owning it.
I think the old school should be demolished. It is not historic; has not been deemed safe; the set up is not easily usable; I see it as a waste of tax payers dollars to be throwing money into that building.
town meeting, voting, fire dept meetings or events as needed, available for rental, playground space for community. would love to see the town clerk moved there, already handicapped accessible and plenty of meeting space. maybe rent some if enough interest for childcare, public use of fields, welcome center
I don't know if repurposing it to be a building would be my first choice. Maybe it's time to move on from having a building there and create an open green space.
To answer the question as written, if I was a billionaire and wanted to donate money for a new use, it would be cool to have an indoor swimming pool that serves our greater Addison country community. The building could have some other indoor athletic facilities as well. The building would have sweeping windows to take in the westward views and not too high so that the building blended into the landscape.

Town office
Repurposed for senior housing
Community rentals, town offices, and meeting spaces.
Community center for different "clubs"to rent like a language group or book club group, etc.
I think we need to investigate whether or not the building can support itself with rentals. If not keep the gym and bathrooms, mechanicals and tar the rest down. Put in a small pud.
Childcare would be great
sell it or lease it out.
Elder care facility, child care facility, green burial ground/cemetary
Town Offices!!! /Place for community functions.
Use it as the town hall
Use it for town offices. You have the gym to hold meetings! Absolutely foolish to use the old grange hall. It's a total waste of our tax money!
I would love to see a public/private partnership with businesses around a green/park space with community space available for special events as well as mixed housing - some apartments or duplexes for affordable living in our area. Would love to see something like Bristol downtown in that area but we need more housing (aka more population) to support that idea.
Classes, meetings, entertainment (local concerts)
Theater, concerts, art space, coffee shop
Place for elderly services
- day care - town offices
Daycare, Recreation spaces for Kids, Open space for workshops, classes, or anything else interesting for kids. Community events such as yard sales and concerts.
A one level town hall would fit perfectly and still be able to be used for other events in the gym
Open it to public and organizations for the Gym Could host town meetings there there is alot of things that could happen there
Town offices
Town offices and community meeting space. Rent additional space
Community space, meeting rooms, child care, sports events, rental for personal events. No Commercial use.
Community Center/ Events/Health Coaching/Arts & Crafts Classes & Fairs
Affordable coworking space with high speed internet.
Rent out to bring income to town
Make it the community center.
It would a good place for town hall
Daycare Center, Town Clerk's offices, meetings / events (both town and private)
Gym space rental
It should be used as a community space for meetings, gatherings, interest groups, town events, voting. It should be available for town residents to use for free or low cost.

a new private school
Community programs and recreation
Town office plus rooms for social groups
Commercial, community rentals and meeting space
town clerk offices--theatre groups-where a person can rent an office space by week or as needed
Housing development? Maybe combined with the a village green/Park/playground that is focused around the town hall which should be renovated as was already decided by the voters.
town hall
Community events, conference center, elderly meals, daycare, receptions, the options are endless
time limited (maybe 3-5 years), flexible space for small "startup" businesses. not necessarily rent free, but maybe rent deferred.
Community and personal events
Make it back into a school, or use it instead of wasting money on upgrading the town building.
This building should be used as the town hall. There are enough spaces in this building to accommodate a town hall and other interests. Other buildings being considered for this purpose are financial drains on the town.
Study all uses of the property equally and properly to be able to communicate to residents true cost and true potential. I understand the work of the previous facilities committee came to an abrupt halt when members of the selectboard didn't like some of the possibilities that were being studied. Let's stop stalling and fix up the historic town hall for the town offices, and have a proper study completed on the school.
I don't have a specific vision for it, I'd like to see proposals and visions from others.
Elder housing or a child care center
Reduce minimum acreage and road frontages for single family homes.
Health food coop
Community center
Rental to offset costs, choosing tenant that benefit community such as childcare etc. senior center, mom play groups, possible classes etc. community meals and events
Child daycare; adult daycare
Have town offices there.
make it into housing for low income or elderly, there are grants available for this type of housing,
Town clerk, day care, office space, meetings, open gym
Town Offices and Senior Center with DayCare for Children
Tear it down
It will be too expensive to maintain and not be profitable. Sell it.
I have concerns about possible PCB's, lead, asbestos and radon in the 1950 era building. It may be best to safely remove it and use the space for something else.
This needs to be made into a real four corner town center that travelers might want to stop into. Right now it is of little interest to people traveling ft23a and 17.
Gathering space for community activities
Selling it might be the best option

Hall rental for events, films or weddings, music performance like in Ripton, Perhaps daycare space, a bakery.
A senior center or possibly a library
I think this building should be sold or leveled. The era in which it was built was one where a variety of harmful contaminants like asbestos, lead, and PCBs were regularly used in construction, and they can cost millions of dollars to fix. The purchase of the building from the district was a poor choice by the town, and it will cause needless increases in our already high taxes.
Registered preschool or daycare center.
Not sure. I had hoped for the Town Hall to be renovated.
Sell it. It is too much of a liability to retain. Whether the building is used or replaced by a purchaser is irrelevant - the land is a prime site, so can bring in much needed funding to restore the Town Hall.
Opportunity for low cost or free physical activity, access to local foods (farmers markets and CSA pickups), community building and events
Senior housing
Town Office, Day Care, Micro Housing, etc.
I'd like a complete study of the space with several options that the town can discuss and vote on. I want what is best for the town, without putting undue burden on the town. I do not want the Town Clerk's Office to go into the former school, as that limits the use for the building and potential sale. I would like a town park in the greens, but the building itself does not hold much value to me.
offices, sports, community events
Housing.
I'm not familiar with this property
Community center, housing, childcare, community health clinic, farmer's market
Community center, child care, elder care, meeting space, public gym.
improve and use it
Not sure
Put Town Clerk Office in there. Community Meetings. Maybe a real grocery store!
Put the Town Clerks office over there and use as the name implies,
Intentionally and Consciously approved office space for business/people/organizations who SERVE the community & FREE Yoga/Other Body Movement classes, Support Groups, Sister Circles, Quilting/Knitting Groups, Bingo Night, Social events for Elderly (because the closest Elderly Drop-In Center is restrictive, expensive, & inadequate for many people)Book Clubs, & Community-wide social gatherings--activities that BRING COMMUNITY together!
Sell and develop multi income housing
daycare, preschool, elderly gathering
Town Offices
Town Offices
Sell it - The Town should not be in the rental business.
Repurposing requires much - the town's purpose is NOT to be a land lord for commercial or non-profit businesses. Selling it makes a lot of sense, especially financially, we wouldn't have that burden for upkeep. The Town track record is poor. Look at the Town Clerk's Office Building and Town Hall.

Public activity not municipal government!
Fix kitchen and move town clerk office in it like we voted for
Combined uses. Self sustaining financially. More athletic and community events
Daycare, town offices, meeting space, kid friendly options
Community center, use for public and private functions.
Sell the property. It's too much of a liability to own, and rental is unlikely to bring in sufficient funds to cover costs. Selling would add to tax revenue.
Tear it down and build anew
It seems like a logical location for Town offices. Also a few spaces that can be rented out to cover costs. Recreation in the gym might be an option.
Sell to a developer
Community meeting/event space
Sell it.
Sell the building with stipulations. The Town of Addison should not be a landlord.
Currently it is a drain on resources. The best use is to sell it, and use the proceeds for projects such as town hall restoration.
town office
Not sure as of now...
Activities for small children! Bring young families to Addison! Help Addison families connect!
Classes, senior citizens center
Tear the School down and Complex it.
Recreation; senior day program; child care program
Basketball, community meals, emergency housing, tennis courts, swap n shop
Town clerk's office!
Community events hosted here: arts & crafts; children's activities; board games/trivia nights
Keep the land open. No multihome developments. Affordable for folks raised here
Improvement without higher taxes
Child care center or center for aging population
Senior activities, kid activities, Library, town offices, community garden, park, playing fields, Comercial rental space, Community activities(meals, parties, on going ed classes
Elder care; before/afterschool day care; adult education/activity space
Sell it to whomever will take it for \$1
senior housing / daycare / housing / senior center?
Recreation - adult classes
Make it the Town Hall/Clerk's office.
no ideas
Community Events and opportunities for youth in Addison

What are your ideas for the grounds?

Full list of responses:

Farmers market, artisan event, community events, outdoor sports
Create a town green like Bridport.
Open to the community to come and go and enjoy the basketball court (inside & out), keep up the soccer fields & playgrounds!!
Recreational space, affordable housing
Get rid of the dilapidated playground equipment, unused utility poles, basketball court, and chain link fencing which is falling over. Some walking trails and benches would be really nice. Maybe it could hold farmers markets, car shows, town gatherings, etc?
A place where the community can get together and have small local bands play.
Either community grounds or housing
Clean up invasive species/weeds and let new tenant or owner maintain the area after that.
Native trees and plants with a walking path, as well as benches and picnic tables.
Outdoor pickleball courts, a park/village green where we could offer farmers markets, art markets, concerts, community gatherings, etc. It needs to be fully accessible for our older population. Covered areas need to be included.
Town community space.
Opportunities for kid and adult sports
Preserving open space.
Keep them as they are
Open area as it is now.
playground, picnic area, etc
Playing fields, playground, bandshell for concerts, big tent (rented) site w power and internet for annual Addison Day (to be initiated!) or wedding/anniversary receptions or similar events
Community gardens/park
A space for community gatherings under a pavilion, small athletic opportunities, small playground
I think volunteers could create gardens and it would be wonderful for have a new playground.
Make it available for family use. Bristol is a great example and well used.
Recreation area
Playground, park, town green, farmers markets, public space
Sport fields
Remove existing town clerk's office and have tables where travelers could stop for lunch.
Play area for children, a dog park, a picnic space, Adirondack chairs for sitting, outdoor concerts in summer
Outside play area. Tennis court. Basketball hoops. Play ground for kids
Cost needs to be considered in any design. Walking/running trail, community garden space, playground, playing field for soccer/softball might all be great though.

Don't know
Upgrade basketball courts, tennis courts, upgrade walking "track", play structure for young children, pollinator garden
park atmosphere
Keep up nicely
Play area, parkland, a small bandstand or gazebo
A village green would be nice.
<p>I think we demolish the building. Improve the grounds. Put minimal money into the project and then spend 2-5 years studying our demographics(where the community is Example: families vs aging community); what the community needs are; are these needs met by neighboring communities ie Vergennes; begin community forums to discuss what we want; what best supports our farms. Some possible ideas: an open air theatre; recreation(basketball courts); play ground; gazebo; farmer's markets.</p> <p>We need to move forward with the Town Hall renovation. After that we will have more of an idea what else we may want to support our community.</p>
playground, community garden space, picnic tables for visitors, rental options, community wide yard sale?
<p>One aspect of the ACC property that often isn't spoken about is the westward views of the fields and green space that give way to the lake and the mountains. Our "big sky" view that many Addison residents are lucky enough to have. A similar viewing spot to use as comparison would be Overlook Park in South Burlington.</p> <p>If I'm reimagining this space- it's a spot for cyclists to meet up with other cyclists before this ride (park and ride?, but small, like Panton and also has some EV charging spots) - it's a place to eat the sandwich that I grabbed from the Four Corners Store before my trek down 17 and across the bridge back to NY, while my dog burns off some energy around in a fenced in dog park (maybe while I charge my car?) - it's a green space welcoming and accommodating to pollinators - it's a place to host outdoor gatherings - a space have a seasonal outdoor skating rink where little can stretch their legs during the winter - or maybe a modern play structure that the same littles can use during the warmer months (like Bristol has).</p>
Play ground
Public pool, playground , ice rink, rentable I door space for events, agricultural fairs, farmers markets
Open to the public.
Walkable areas / Benches / Flowers
Gazebo and picnic area where costing town hall is
<p>I think the idea of an open space or green is appealing and we should have one, but what we really could benefit from is active community engagement. Things that draw people in. A green could be it if there are things to do there besides just sit and enjoy the open space (we have a lot of space in addison) but we could really use community engagement elements like a Library, Ammenities and services. Without elements around the open space to draw people to the area it's just another empty space.</p>
small park with benches and gardens
Park, green burial cemetary
Let kids play
We don't need a village green! The question above shouldn't be a yes or no!
Park with playground and a walking path or dog park
Tied to community center as a larger public space

A gathering place for community functions
Dog park, walking trails
Low upkeep low budget gardens
- playground - walking track - open area for baseball or soccer with a family
Updated playground, pickleball, events, farmers markets.
Playground AND public sledding.
NOT a dog park.
Town offices as needed. Some rental space to generate some income for the upkeep for the space
Baseball softball picnics ect
Too small of an area
Maintain sport use / playground, picnic, and outdoor gathering space
Gardens & Play Areas for children and adults alike
Accessible as a place people can come together
A spot where one may enjoy the scenery,
Exiting on the west exit is dangerous because the grass has not been cut
An inviting park to include play structures for kids, trees & flowers, picnic tables, dog park, maybe even a pavilion. A beautiful area that families are going to want to access.
Make soccer fields, nice outdoor basketball court
An outdoor gathering place and park.
Playground. Playing fields
Recreating
Make old town building into a historic site, tear down present town office, set up school as office, restore ball diamond and track, Frisbee golf, outdoor basket ball pickle ball, etc
Playground, picnic tables, shade, walking trail.
See above
Playground, picnic tables, Pavillion, anything to draw in the community
farmers market. many residents drop off trash and recycling on Saturday morning. A market that coincided might be successful.
Playground and picnic area
Whatever can be done with volunteer work. Vermont is prohibitively expensive already, so anything that costs money is a stupid path at this time. Great things could be done with a organized effort of volunteers.
Leave as open space
A professional study should inform what happens with the property--building and grounds. If the best use is to keep the property, it would be great to see it fixed up: upgraded playground equipment, picnic tables, walking trail, and gardens--why not a gazebo. Treat the grounds like a town green and actually invite residents to use it.

I think the town hall should be renovated. Beyond that, I don't have a vision for use of the space, the current town office, nor the school building, but a community open space sounds good.
renovate the playground
Tennis or pickle ball courts, children's playground, basket ball area, shuffleboard, ie activity areas
General use, town center, picnic areas, playground.
Village green/farmers market
Playground, walking paths
Playground and other features for children! Revamped workout area/track, peaceful areas for resting/picnics, splash pad, etc
Basketball, tennis, pickle ball
none
not sure
Play area for kids, park , sports
play ground for children and workout areas
Town green, park, open space
Community garden, park, possibly some new houses.
Community space, possible town green, community gardens, farmers market, summer outdoor events, playground, accessible walking paths
A real town center, even a modest town center. Possibly with additional housing. Help build a tax base AND gain a sense of community.
Improved playground, skating rink, skateboard park, more trees, places to sit, sports
It really depends on what happens to the building
Pollinatir gardens, benches, shade trees, a covered shelter.
The grounds around the village center could be landscaped and provide a beautiful park area for the community.
Reinstate the playground. Perhaps a pavillion for events (able to rent out)
Gardens, picnic tables, water fountain (for drinking, as in Vergennes)
The smaller grounds around the Town Hall would be a good and more affordable site for a green. The grounds around the ACC should be sold.
I'm not familiar with the space being new to town
Town park
Farmer's market, athletic opportunities (racket sports, soccer, basketball)
Build up and enhance the infrastructure that's already there.
gazebo and community playground
Not sure
Not sure this community could ever agree on anything but maybe a playground or park.
My opinion is similar to the above-mentioned ideas for the school. Large play structure for all ages, walking trails/tracks for people with animals, picnic tables and in-ground grills, outdoor game areas, outdoor pavilion space for community events to bring residents together!

Park like atmosphere
playground, gardens
Open Space
Open Space
Sell as a complete parcel.
I really think the parcel should be sold, as is. If the town subdivides then septic comes into consideration.
Village green - benches, trees, band stand, luscious grass
Rec place for families
Community gardens. Outdoor activities like bocce, tennis, soccer, etc
A young kid friendly playground and parent gathering space, keep and expand walking path , encourage walking club and older exercise group space.
Fitness center, park and playground, health food cafe,
Playground/swing/slide, benches
North of the ACC to Rte 17: community green space (picnic benches, gazebo?). Remainder of ACC grounds: sell with the building.
Build something useful and clean
keep the playground and have a small playing field for pick up soccer etc.
Public park and picnic area
Like Bristol's but with more open space for sports, etc.
Create open space around the old town hall and restore the old town hall, putting the clerk's office there.
Walking paths with native perennial beds, native trees, and community vegetable garden space.
Sell the entire property. We don't have a large enough population to warrant so large a green space. Green space around the town hall/town offices is sufficient.
let kids play
Not sure
Playground! Pool!
Playgrounds, gardens
Actually I want to see the old town hall restored. I am disappointed that it has been left in it's present condition.
OPen Space with a Green for Activities: BBQ's, Playground. Water fountain, Library
Community garden; rec/sports fields; dog park maybe
Trees, park, picnic tables, Ramada, barbecues, farmers' market, rental space for thrift sales
Town clerk's office
Encourage connection and community to bring us together
Use the buildings in the most fiscally responsible way for taxpayers. Let community use some of the indoor space and allow community to use the outside areas. Keep playground and fields so families can use it

Park for families and community
Playground, community gardens
Community garden, playground, playing fields, park for picnics and enjoying the view
Recreation spaces for walking, ice rink in winter
Not to spend any taxpayer dollars on it
Completely depends on what you do with old ACS - A unified plan for all town buildings and property should be made - what makes sense for all this property - It would be nice to create a space that would draw new residents.
Community garden
Grass. Benches for outlooks to both the east and west.
play areas and exercise space, picnic or outdoor event space