

Conclusion

Londonderry is a unique and special town with a fascinating history and a promising future. At the foundation of the town's vision and future expectations is a community of diverse people who, working together, can ensure that quality of life or "Livability" is maintained and enhanced throughout periods of growth and change. With a far-reaching vision and clear path to follow, the community is poised to move ahead, taking advantage of new opportunities such as the economic development potential of the airport area and the town's thoroughfares, cultural enrichment at the Town Center, nature preserves, orchards, and recreational areas, and environmental conservation and water quality protection through a bolstered "green infrastructure," town-wide greenbelt, and implementation of "low impact development" standards.

Subsequent updates and amendments

Planning is an ongoing and evolving process. A Master Plan presents a snapshot of existing conditions, issues and concerns, the town's long-term vision as well as its short-term goals and objectives. While this plan is intended to guide the town's land use, development, and planning decisions for the next 5, 10, and 20 years, it is also meant to be flexible to meet the changing needs and desires of the community. The Master Plan should be revisited and possibly updated within 5 to 10 years. In large part, this time-frame will depend on the timing, amount, and character of development and change in Londonderry over the next few years. In addition to a comprehensive update, the town is encouraged to develop smaller "topic oriented" amendments to the plan as need arises (such as an integration of the neighborhood planning efforts recommended in the plan's housing section).

Implementation

To ensure that the recommendations and vision of this plan are implemented and realized the Londonderry Planning Board should set aside time at

regularly scheduled meetings (on a monthly or bi-monthly basis) to consider issues directly related to the master plan. During these meetings, the board should work to prioritize recommendations, help set up sub-groups for specific tasks (e.g., for development of the Town Center Master Plan), coordinate and review projects and initiatives for consistency, monitor effectiveness, and generally ensure that the 2004 Master Plan remains a key component of the land development decision-making process in Londonderry.