

**Comprehensive Master Plan  
Review Team  
October 9, 2014 Meeting**

Team Members present were: Patrick Corey, John Eddy, Marge Govoni, Kenneth Grondin, Sparky Hurgin, Shaun Morrison, David Nadeau, Allan Phinney, Frayla Shoerfeld, Gene Tanguay, and Dave Tobin.

Staff present were: Planning Director, Ben Smith; Planner, Amanda Lessard; and Planning Intern, Adam Higgins.

Consultants present were: Mark Eyerman of Planning Decisions; and Kevin Faye of Critical Insights.

Survey Update

The survey would be released the week of October 13<sup>th</sup>.

Creating Draft Vision Statement

The Review Team broke into smaller groups to discuss the 2003 Vision statement.

Things to Like About the Vision Statement:

- Separation of areas geographically
- Community
- Balance of development and rural character
- Preservation of open spaces and wildlife habitat
- Requirement for water and sewer

What could be improved?

- Mention of North Windham Corridor
- Need to focus on implementation
- Infrastructure
- Need for a vibrant accessible community
- Good ideas but nothing implemented
- Better direction re: land use policies

What's Missing?

- Challenge of growth in a way that can be managed/paid for
- View Windham as bedroom community, not a farming town
- Windham is a service center
- A gathering place and events for a sense of community.
- Schools are not mentioned
- Additional geographic breakdown

2003 Vision or a Fresh Start?

- Would the 2003 Vision provide bias rather than starting new
- The survey results would provide the public basis for deciding
- Start new and then compare it with the 2003 Vision

Next Meeting - October 23

- Identification of stakeholders
- Recruitment of stakeholder representatives

November Visioning Forums

- November 13<sup>th</sup> – Manchester School
- November 22<sup>nd</sup> – Town Hall Gym