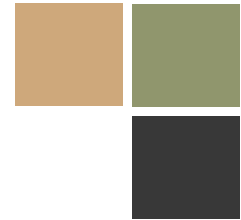
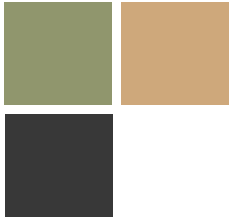


APPENDIX C

**COMMUNITY SURVEY
HIGHLIGHTS AND RESULTS**

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COMMUNITY SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS

Town of Chesterfield

A. SURVEY OVERVIEW

As part of the public engagement component of the Town of Chesterfield Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan Update, an online community survey was developed. The purpose of this survey was to gather input from community members, residents, visitors, business owners, and other stakeholders about the Town of Chesterfield. This information will help inform the overall needs, vision, and priorities of the Town and help shape the Town’s Smart Growth Comprehensive Plan.



The survey was created and distributed using the Survey Monkey web platform and went live on April 30th, 2024. Paper copies were made available at Chesterfield Town Hall on 1 Vine Street, Keeseville. Paper copies were submitted at Town Hall (1 Vine Street, Keeseville) by June 30th. The survey remained open until June 30th, 2024, with 324 responses received.

The survey was advertised on the project website (www.PlanChesterfield.com) and the Town of Chesterfield website (www.chesterfieldny.com). Additionally, several press releases were distributed prior to and during the survey period, as well as social media platform pushes from the Town and Committee Members. Information and links to the survey were also distributed during the survey period on cards and flyers throughout the Town, which included a Quick Response (QR) code so respondents could access the survey directly on a mobile device.

Community Survey Flyer

Data Limitations

The survey is one piece of many public engagement activities that help recognize themes throughout the community. Because the survey responses are self-selecting, they are not statistically valid. The survey alone cannot be used to find the “answer” or “solution”, but it can in part help guide the community's long-term vision and identify the tools and actions needed to achieve that vision. Furthermore, creating state and local partnerships and strengthening opportunities to apply for funding from New York State sources to implement projects.

B. SURVEY TOPIC AREAS

The survey was divided into several topical areas to focus and categorize the questions. The survey topic areas include Demographic, Background information, & Values, Ideal Vision, Concerns, Opportunities, Land-Use, Recreation and Waterfront. Below is a description of each survey topic area.

Demographic, Background Information, & Values (Q1-Q8)

The demographic, background information, and values section focuses on who is taking the survey. Getting a broad range of responders from the local area is important to address the needs of different demographics. Knowing age, relation to the Town, housing demographics, and values can help address the communities needs and where to broadcast information. Furthermore, knowing the responses are representative of a variety of respondents can assist in making decisions that incorporate everyone.

Quality of Life (Q9-Q12)

The quality-of-life section focuses on how respondents feel about their quality-of-life, values, and their surroundings in the Town of Chesterfield. Understanding what makes the Town of Chesterfield unique and a place to call home helps identify which features of the Town can be enhanced to brighten the overall quality-of-life in the Town.

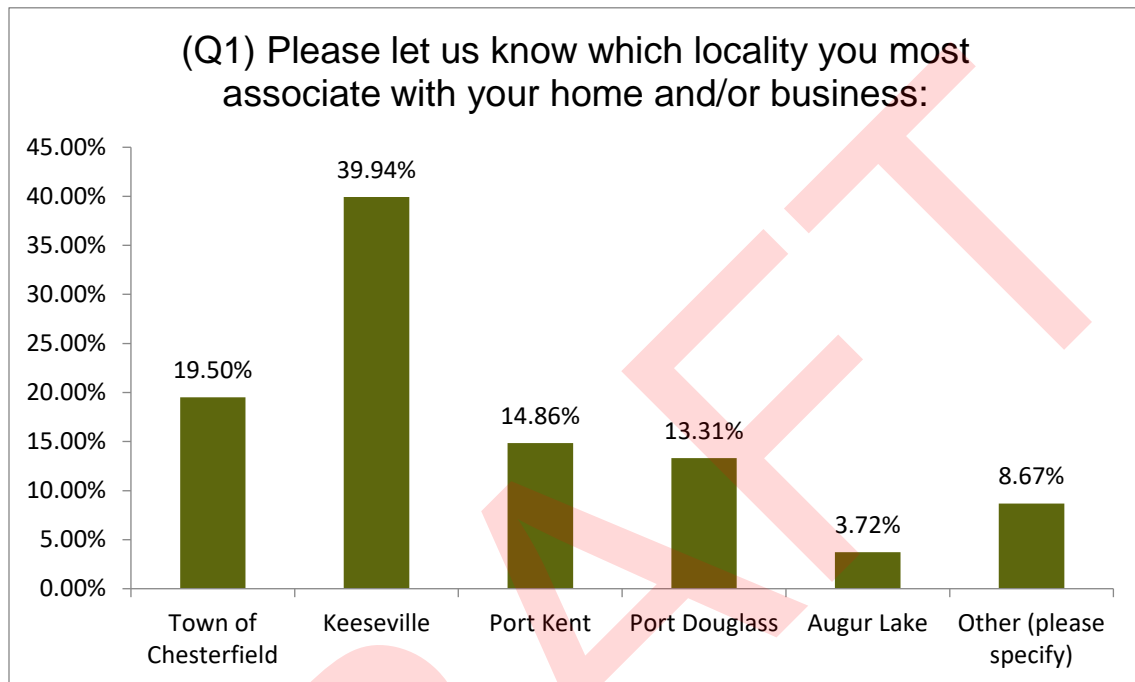
The Future (Q13-19)

The future section of the survey gauges what aspects of the community are utilized the most and what their ideal vision of the Town looks like. It is necessary to understand how community members interact with the Town and what concerns and priorities might arise that should be addressed in the Comprehensive Plan.

C. Survey Highlights

The following is a brief highlight of selected survey findings from each section of the survey.

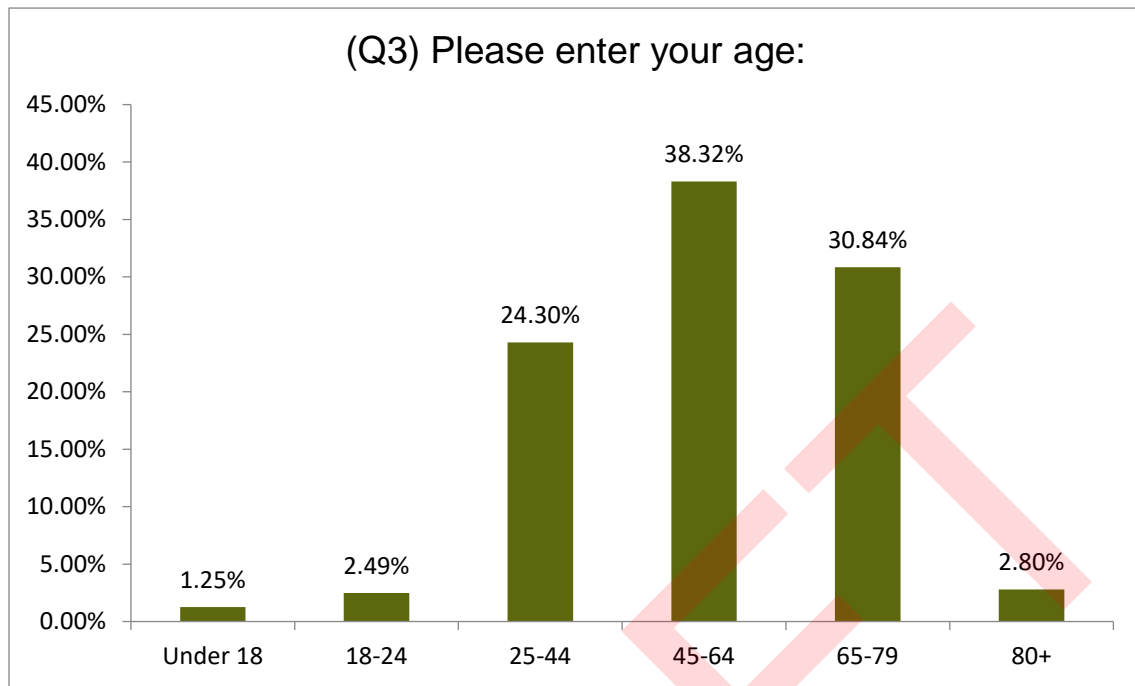
Demographic, Background Information & Values (Q1 – Q8)



Question 1 (Q1) of the survey asked respondents to select which locality they most associate with their home and/or business. This question gives further insight into the respondent's relation to the Town. Out of the 323 respondents to this question, 39.94% associate with Keeseville and 19.50% associate with the Town of Chesterfield. Of the 8.67% that specified other, a majority of these respondents associate with Trembleau.

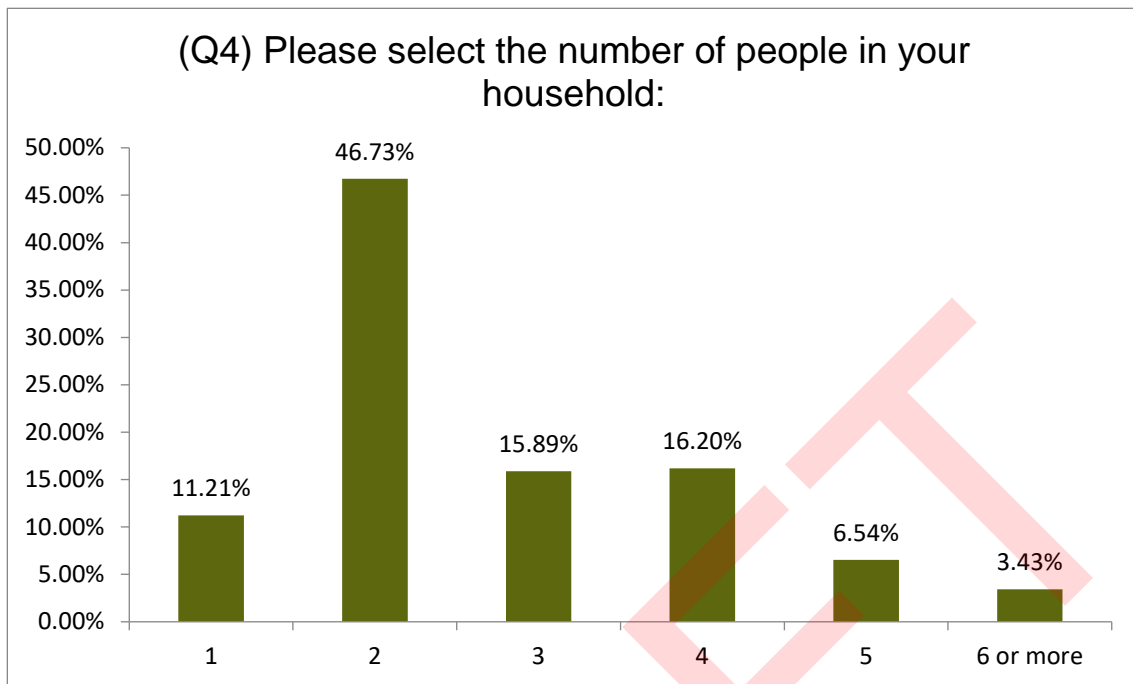
Question 2 (Q2) of the survey asked respondents to enter their zip code. The three most prevalent zip codes for respondents were:

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- 12975
- 12972

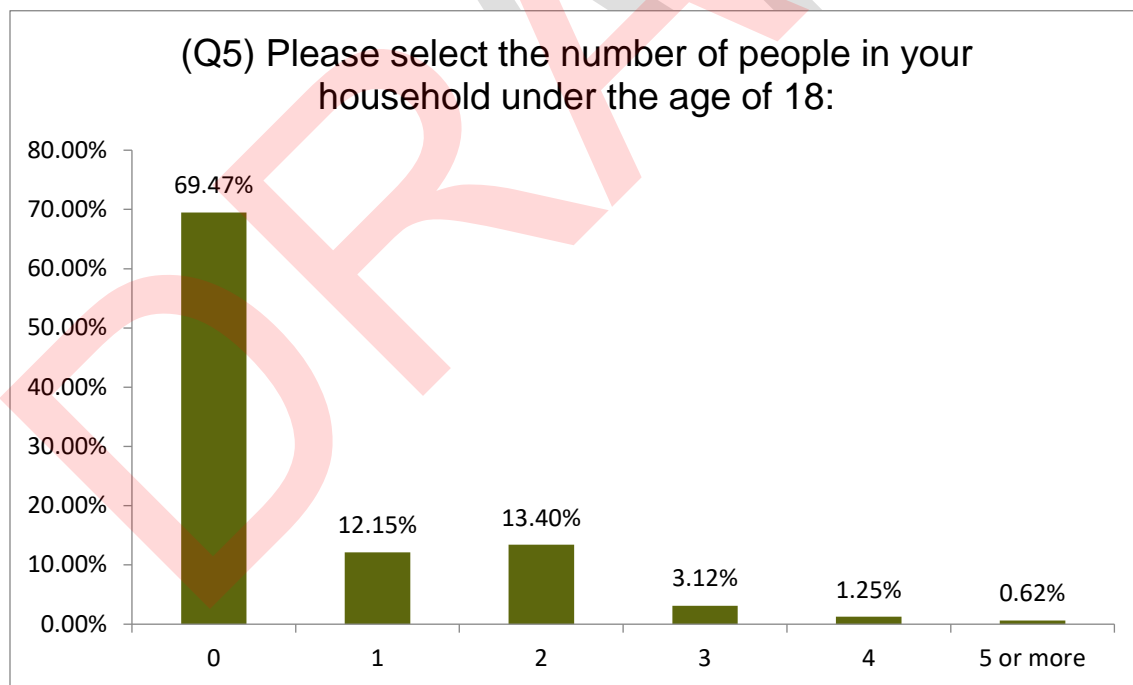


Question 3 (Q3) of the survey asked respondents to enter their age. The largest respondent age group was the 45-64-year-old age group (38.32%). Of the 321 respondents that answered this question, 30.84% were in the 65-79-year-old age group, 24.30% were in the 25-44- age group, 2.80% were in the 80+ age group, 2.49% were in the 18-24-year-old age group, and 1.25% were in the under 18 age group. According to the ACS 2022 5-year estimate, 25.5% of the 45-64-year-old, 20.9% of the 25-44-year-old age group, and 23.6% of the 65+ age group make up the largest cohorts in the Town of Chesterfield¹. This indicates that the age of the respondents who completed the survey closely represents the Town’s population.

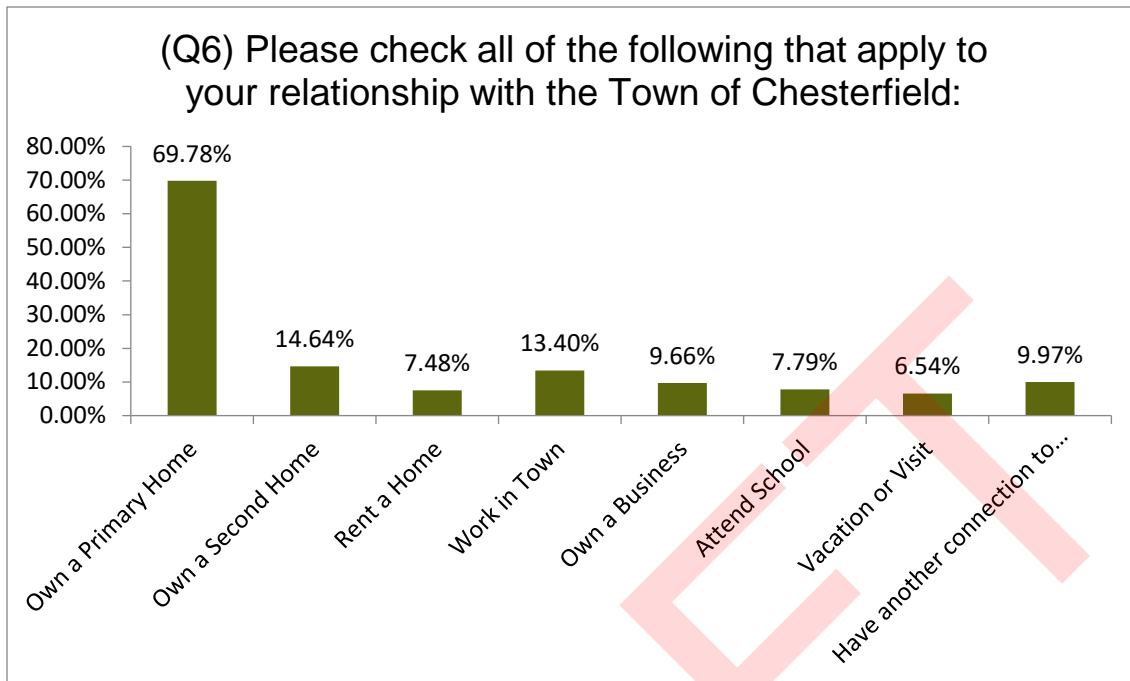
¹ American Community Survey, 2022 Five-Year Estimates



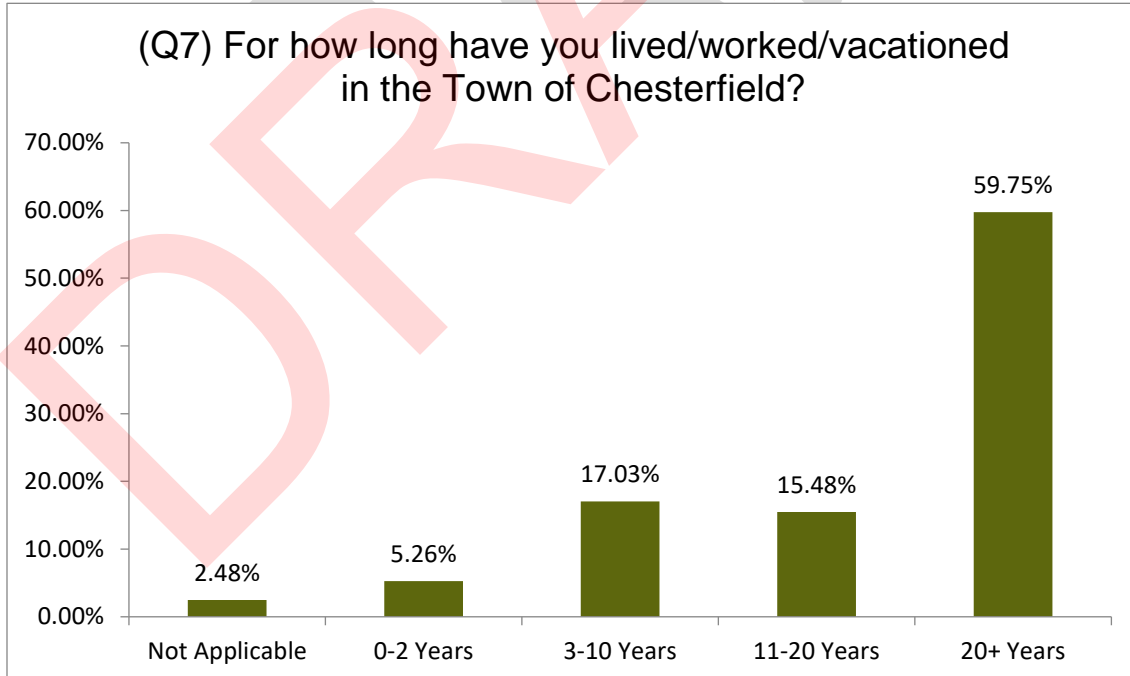
Question 4 (Q4) of the survey asked respondents to select the number of people in their household. The responses indicate that nearly half (46.73%) of the 321 respondents have a 2-person household.



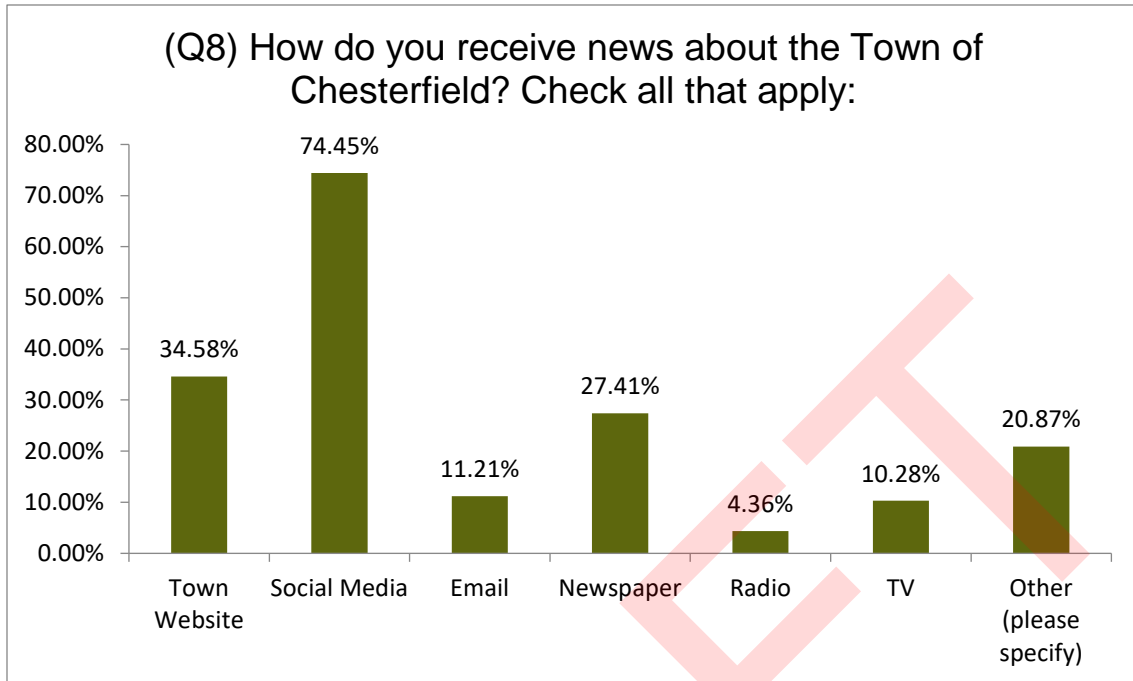
Question 5 (Q5) of the survey asked respondents to select the number of people in their household under the age of 18. This question allows the Town to better understand the youth population growing up in the Town of Chesterfield. Subsequently, the responses indicate that 69.47% of the 321 respondents have no one in their household below the age of 18. 13.40% of people have two (2) people under 18 in their household and 12.15% have one (1) person under 18 in their household.



Question 6 (Q6) of the survey asked respondents to select all that apply to their relationship with the Town of Chesterfield. The majority of respondents (69.78%) own a primary home in the Town of Chesterfield. In the “other” category, respondents stated other connections to the Town of Chesterfield such as owning property, living nearby, or the Town of Chesterfield is their hometown.

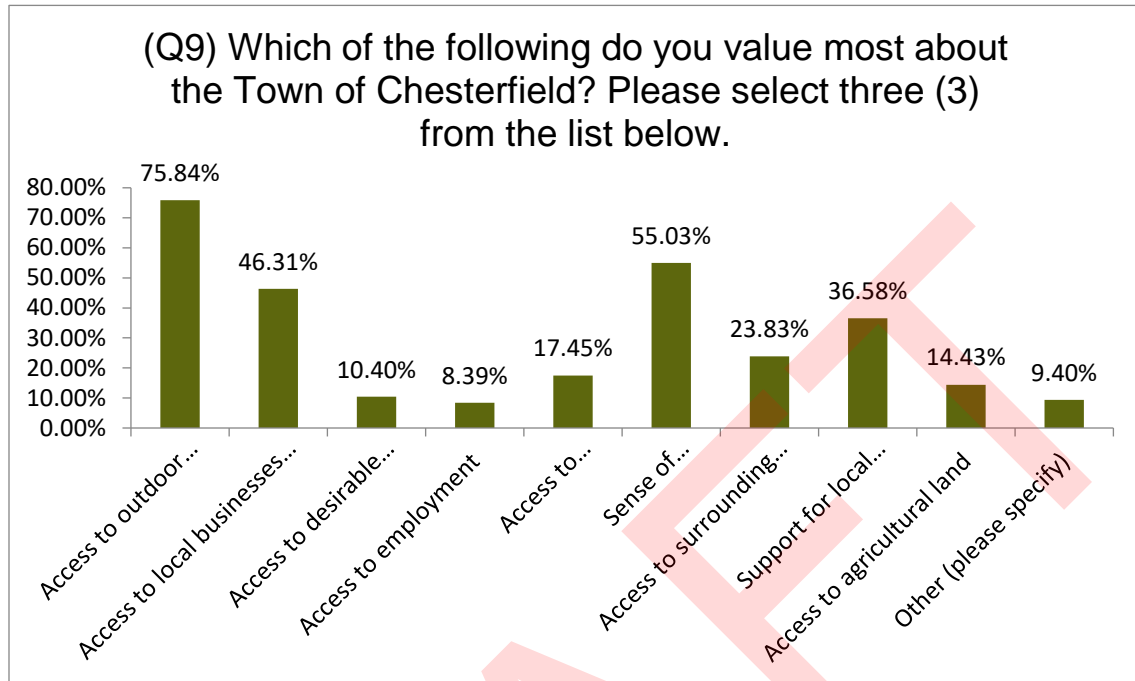


Question 7 (Q7) of the survey asked respondents for how long they lived/worked/or vacationed in the Town of Chesterfield. Of the 323 respondents, more than half (59.75%) have lived/worked/vacationed in the Town for 20+ years.



Question 8 (Q8) of the survey asked respondents how they get news about the Town. This is informative for future project plans, identifying where to publish information to reach the widest audience. Out of 321 respondents, the majority receive news from social media (74.45%). In the “Other” category, the most common source was word of mouth.

Quality of Life (Q9 – Q12)



Question 9 (Q9) asked respondents to select three (3) of their top values regarding Town of Chesterfield. The graph above shows a breakdown of what respondents value the most. Out of the 298 responses, the highest ranked was “Access to Outdoor Recreation” (75.84%). Followed by a “Sense of Community/Neighborhood” (55.03%), “Access to Local Businesses” (46.31%), and “Support for Local Businesses” (36.58%). The least valued was “Access to Employment” (8.39%). Within the “Other” category, notable responses included peacefulness and safety. This is critical for planning future initiatives as the results provide insight into potential sectors for improvement within the Village.

Question 10 (Q10) was open-ended and asked respondents to share what they feel is an exceptionally important asset to the Town of Chesterfield. Of the 257 responses to this question, the most common themes were:

Lake Champlain and AuSable River/Chasm

- These areas were frequently mentioned as significant assets with references to their beauty, recreational opportunities, and importance to local tourism and community activities.

Historic Bridges

- The Town’s historic bridges are mentioned often, reflecting their importance to the community’s identity, heritage, and aesthetic appeal.

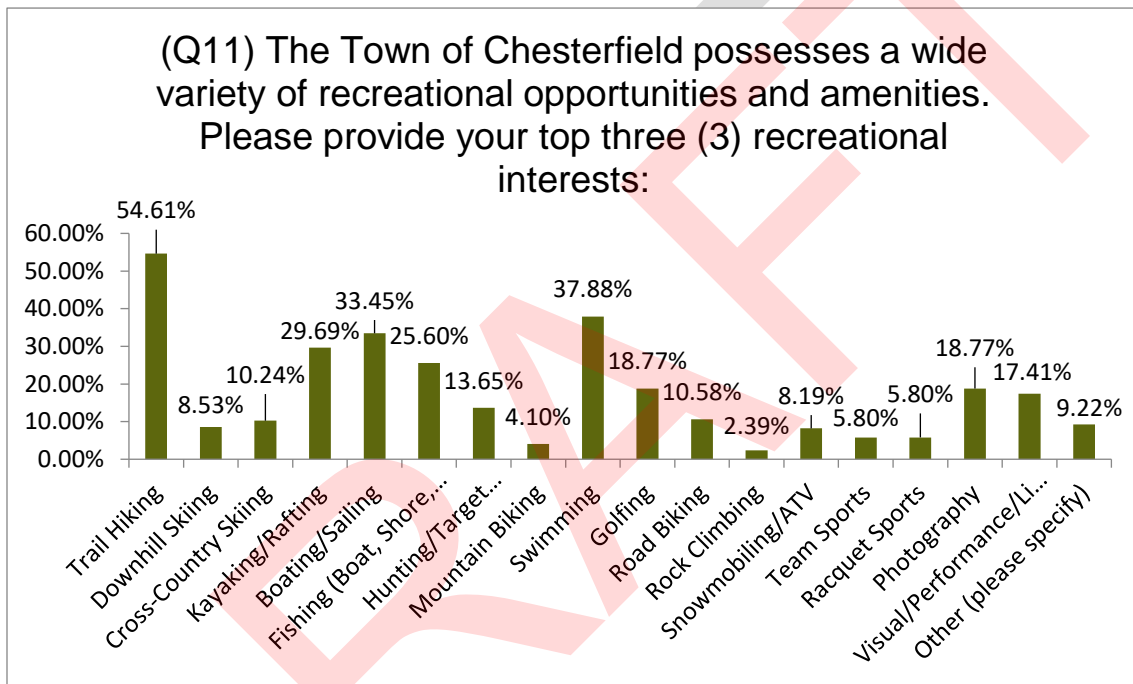
Local Businesses

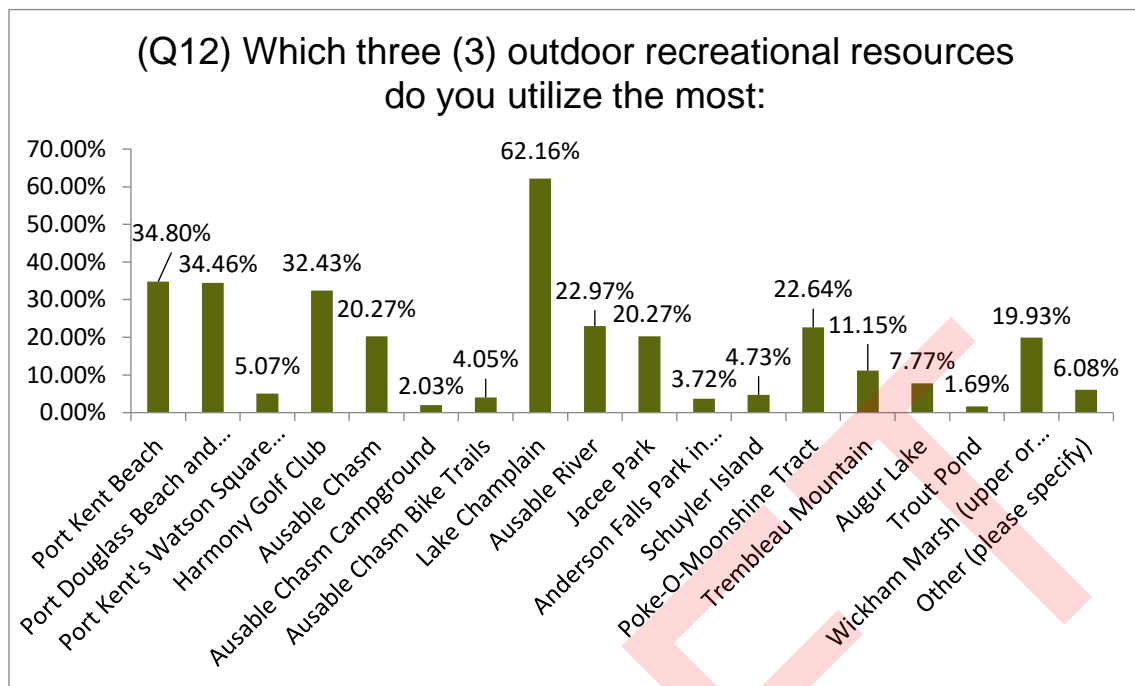
- Many responses emphasize the importance of supporting local businesses including shops, restaurants, breweries, and farms, as key to the Town’s economic vitality and community character.

Strong Sense of Community

- Many noted the strong sense of community and people as a strong asset for the Town.

Question 11 (Q11) asked respondents to select their top three (3) recreational interests within the Town of Chesterfield. Of the 293 respondents, the most popular recreational interests in the Town are trail hiking (54.61%), swimming (37.88%), and boating/sailing (33.45%). In the “other” category, camping, snowshoeing, and farming were mentioned frequently as recreational interests.





Question 12 (Q12) asked respondents to select their top three (3) outdoor recreational resources that they utilize the most. Of the 296 respondents to this question, Lake Champlain is the most utilized recreational resource (62.16%). Port Kent Beach (34.80%) and Port Douglass Beach and Picnic Area (34.46%) are both utilized equally.

The Future (Q13 – Q19)

Ideal Vision Question 13 (Q13) was open-ended and asked respondents to describe their ideal vision of the Town in 5 to 10 years from now. There were 241 total comments received. The breakdown of the common themes from the responses are found below.

Revitalization and Economic Development:

- Thriving Downtown area with a variety of small businesses, shops, restaurants, and grocery stores.
- Promotion of businesses to enhance tourism and attract visitors.
- Development and utilization of industrial parks and commercial spaces.
- Preservation and enhancement of historic and cultural assets to foster a vibrant community.

Community and Family-Oriented Environment:

- Safe, clean, and quiet neighborhoods.
- Strong sense of community with frequent community events, gatherings, and activities.
- Family-friendly amenities and spaces, including parks, playgrounds, and recreational centers.

Improved Infrastructure and Accessibility:

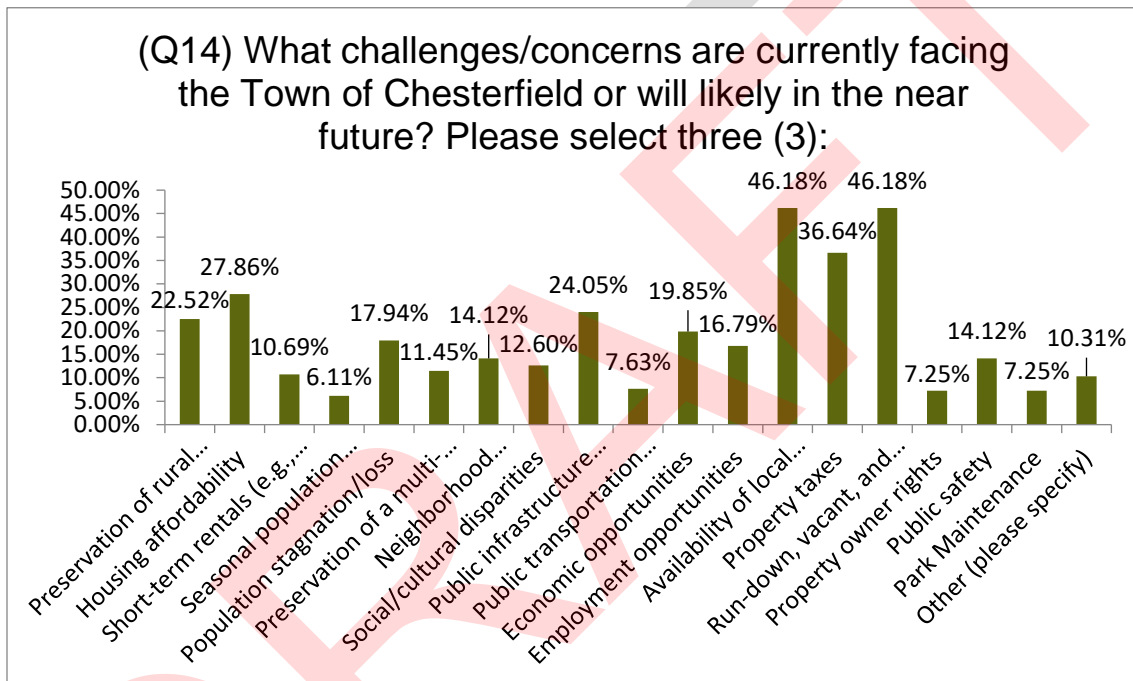
- Well-maintained streets, bridges, and sidewalks.
- Expanded and improved trail systems for hiking and walking.
- Enhanced public amenities.

Housing and Residential Development:

- Availability of quality, affordable housing for all income levels.
- Restoration and upkeep of existing residential properties.
- New housing developments that respect the rural charm and agricultural heritage of the area.

Tourism and Recreation:

- Capitalizing on natural assets like Lake Champlain for recreational opportunities.
- Development of beach amenities, marinas, and waterfront attractions.
- Increased outdoor recreation options, including hiking, boating, and agritourism activities.



Challenges/Concerns Question 14 (Q14) asked respondents to identify three (3) of their top challenges/concerns for the Town now and in the future. Of the 262 respondents, availability of local shopping, restaurants, and amenities (46.18%) and run-down, vacant, and abandoned properties (46.18%) were equally the top concerns for respondents. Property taxes (36.64%) and housing affordability (27.86%) were also identified as being significant challenges/concerns for the Town. Other challenges and concerns noted were community cleanliness, public safety, and zoning and property maintenance.

Opportunities/Priorities Question 15 (Q15) was open-ended and asked respondents to describe their top three (3) priorities for the Town of Chesterfield to focus on for the future improvement of the Town. Based on the 235 respondents, the overarching common themes from the responses are downtown revitalization and economic growth, infrastructure improvements, housing and community development, recreation, and public safety. Common responses from each theme are as follows:

Downtown Revitalization and Economic Growth

- Revitalizing downtown areas, restoring historic buildings, and attracting businesses.
- Advertising and promoting the Town of Chesterfield to attract more visitors and residents.
- Supporting local businesses and creating a thriving, attractive main street.

Infrastructure Improvements

- Enhancing water and sewer infrastructure to ensure reliability and quality.
- Improving roads, sidewalks, and overall public safety.
- Addressing rundown properties and enforcing zoning regulations

Housing and Community Development

- Providing affordable housing options
- Incentivizing new housing developments, especially for younger generations and families.
- Maintaining and creating safe, well-designed residential neighborhoods.

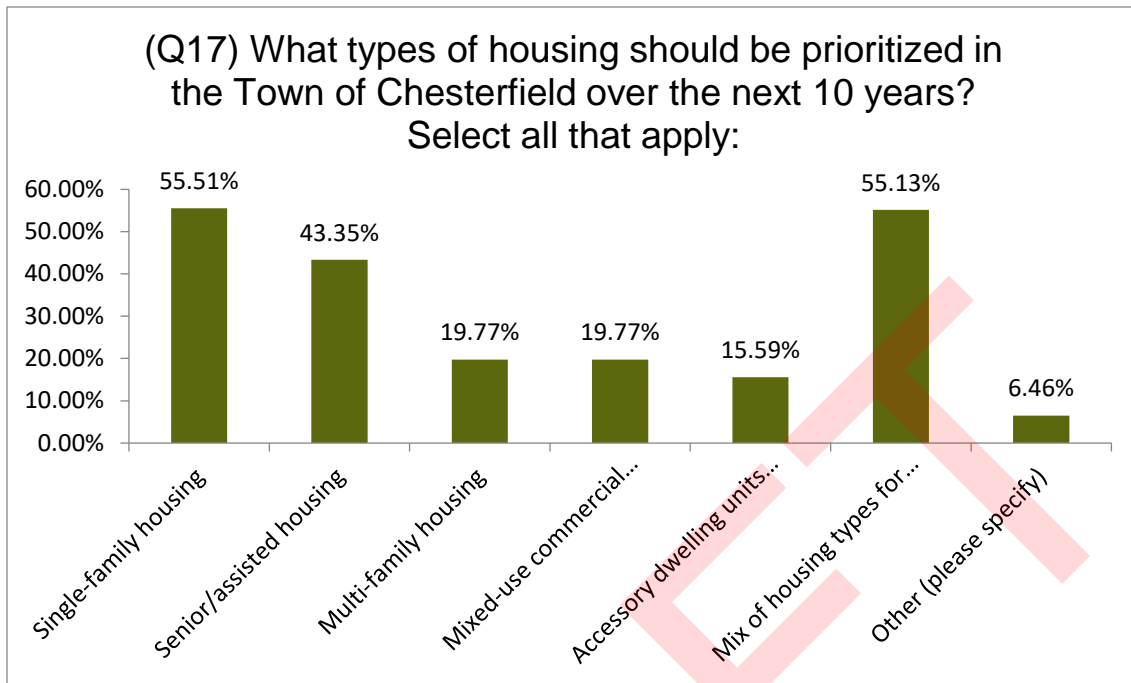
Recreation

- Expanding outdoor recreation opportunities
- Improving existing recreational facilities and developing new ones.
- Promoting community events and activities to enhance quality of life for residents.

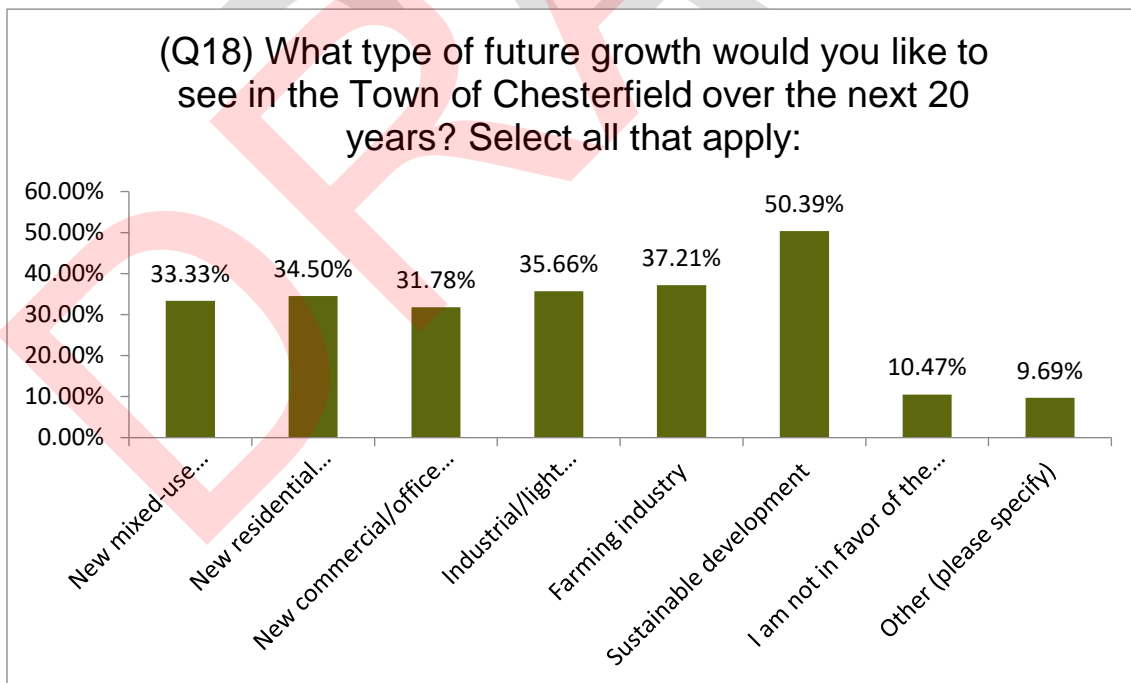
Public Safety

- Cleaning up and revitalizing problematic areas
- Supporting community organizations and initiatives that foster a strong sense of community

Opportunities/Priorities Question 16 (Q16) asked respondents to rate the following questions, using a scale of “Strongly Agree” to “Strongly Disagree”. Of the 263 responses, “Protection of natural resources and wildlife habitat” (69.96%, Strongly Agree), “Expansion of recreational amenities and opportunities” (54.02%, Strongly Agree), and “Expansion of economic opportunities” (50.57%, Strongly Agree), had the highest frequency of voters. This suggests respondents are interested in sustainable development that balances economic growth with environmental protection. This should be considered when approaching all opportunities for growth in the Town of Chesterfield.



Housing Question 17 (Q17) asked respondents to select what types of housing should be prioritized in the Town of Chesterfield over the next 10 years. Of the 263 responses, 55.51% chose single-family housing, 55.13% chose a mix of housing types for a variety of income levels, and 43.35% chose senior/assisted housing.



Future Growth Question 18 (Q18) asked respondents to select what type of future growth they would like to see in the Town of Chesterfield over the next 20 years. Of the 258 responses, 50.39% would like

to see sustainable development, 37.21% farming industry, and 35.66% industrial/light manufacturing development.

Question 19 (Q19) asked respondents to share any other comments or ideas for the Town of Chesterfield. Below is an overview of the key themes mentioned:

Infrastructure and Maintenance

- Maintain and repair existing infrastructure, including historic bridges, roads, and public spaces
- Enhance and clean up public areas
- Address safety concerns with specific infrastructure improvements

Community and Economic Development

- Encourage the development of local businesses, including grocery stores, restaurants, and lodging options
- Revitalize downtown areas, attract new businesses, and utilize town assets to stimulate economic growth
- Balance small-town charm with smart economic growth that improves and complements the community

Recreation and Tourism

- Invest in recreational facilities and activities
- Promote tourism by leveraging natural beauty, historic sites, and creating vibrant main streets
- Develop cultural and entertainment options

Community Engagement and Support

- Foster a sense of community through events
- Support community organizations and initiatives

Housing and Affordability

- Address housing affordability by considering alternative housing options
- Develop and maintain affordable housing to retain and attract residents
- Ensure zoning and regulations support diverse and affordable housing solutions while preserving the Town's character and charm

Question 20 (Q20) asked respondents to upload their favorite photo that depicts their favorite place or activity in the Town of Chesterfield. In total, 34 images were submitted and can be found attached.



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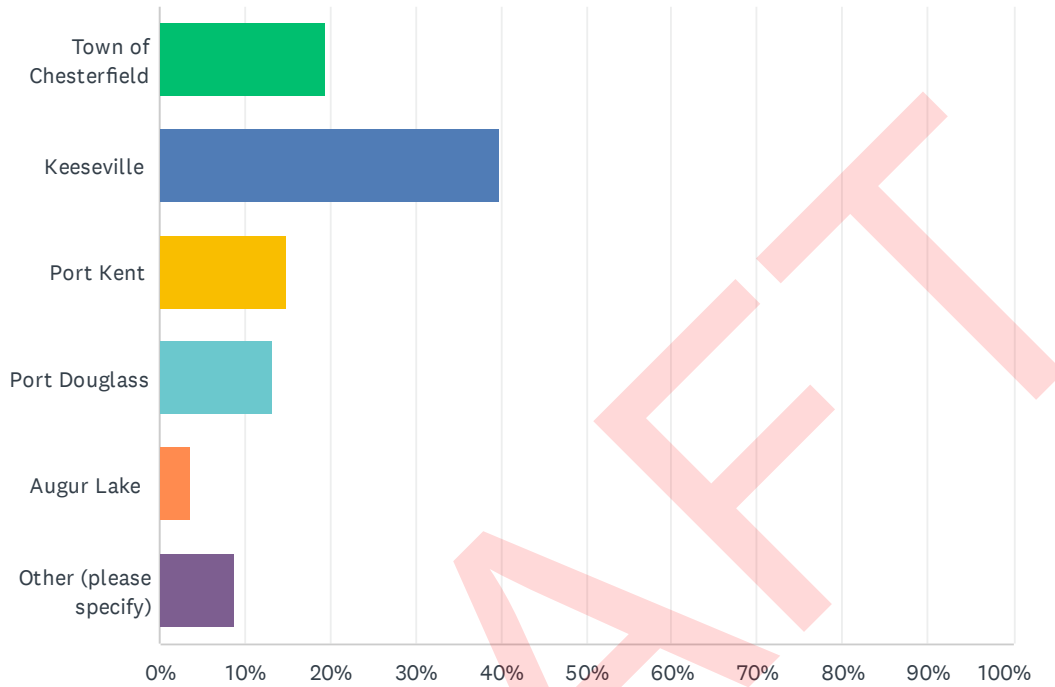
Community Survey Results/Data

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Q1 Please let us know which locality you most associate with your home and/or business:

Answered: 323 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Town of Chesterfield	19.50% 63
Keeseville	39.94% 129
Port Kent	14.86% 48
Port Douglass	13.31% 43
Augur Lake	3.72% 12
Other (please specify)	8.67% 28
TOTAL	323

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Q2 Please enter your home zip code:

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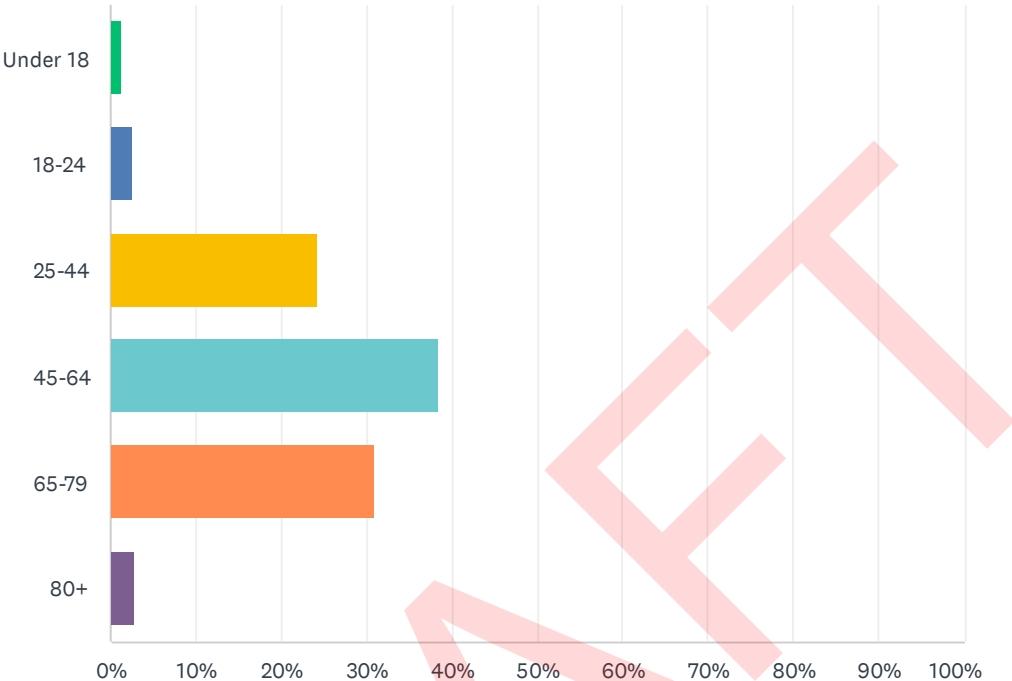
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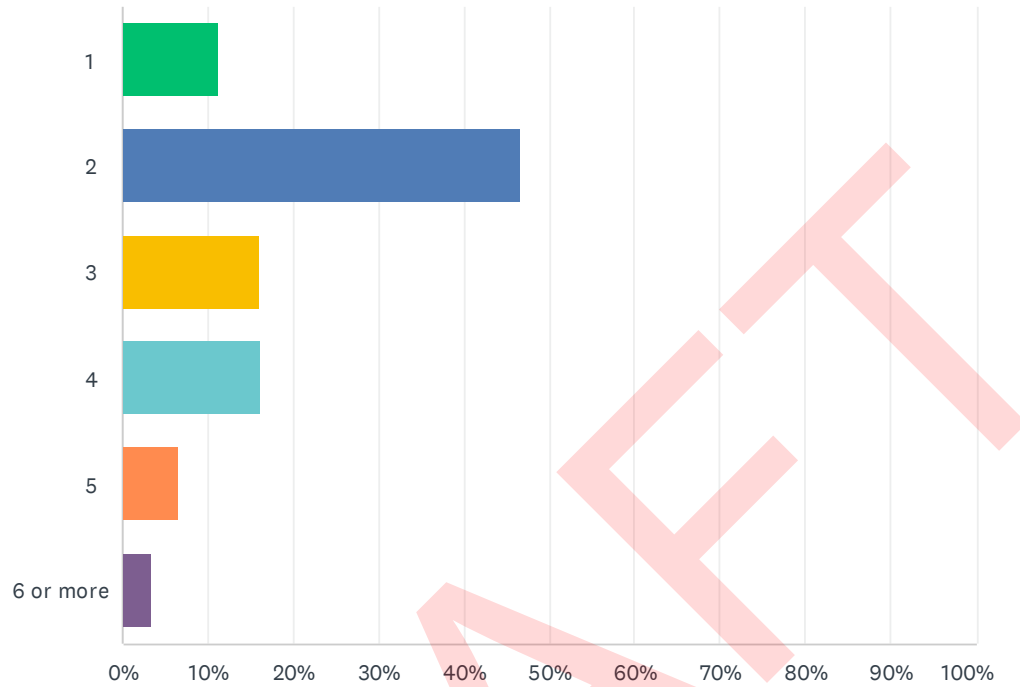
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 18	1.25%	4
18-24	2.49%	8
25-44	24.30%	78
45-64	38.32%	123
65-79	30.84%	99
80+	2.80%	9
TOTAL		321

Q4 Please select the number of people in your household:

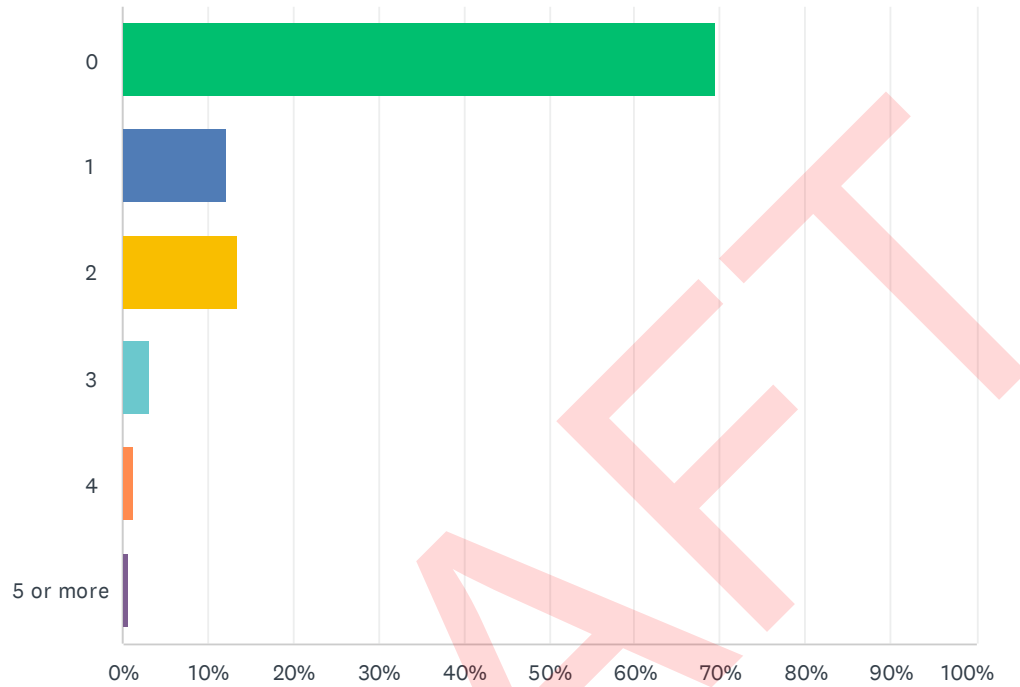
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
1	11.21%	36
2	46.73%	150
3	15.89%	51
4	16.20%	52
5	6.54%	21
6 or more	3.43%	11
TOTAL		321

Q5 Please select the number of people in your household under the age of 18:

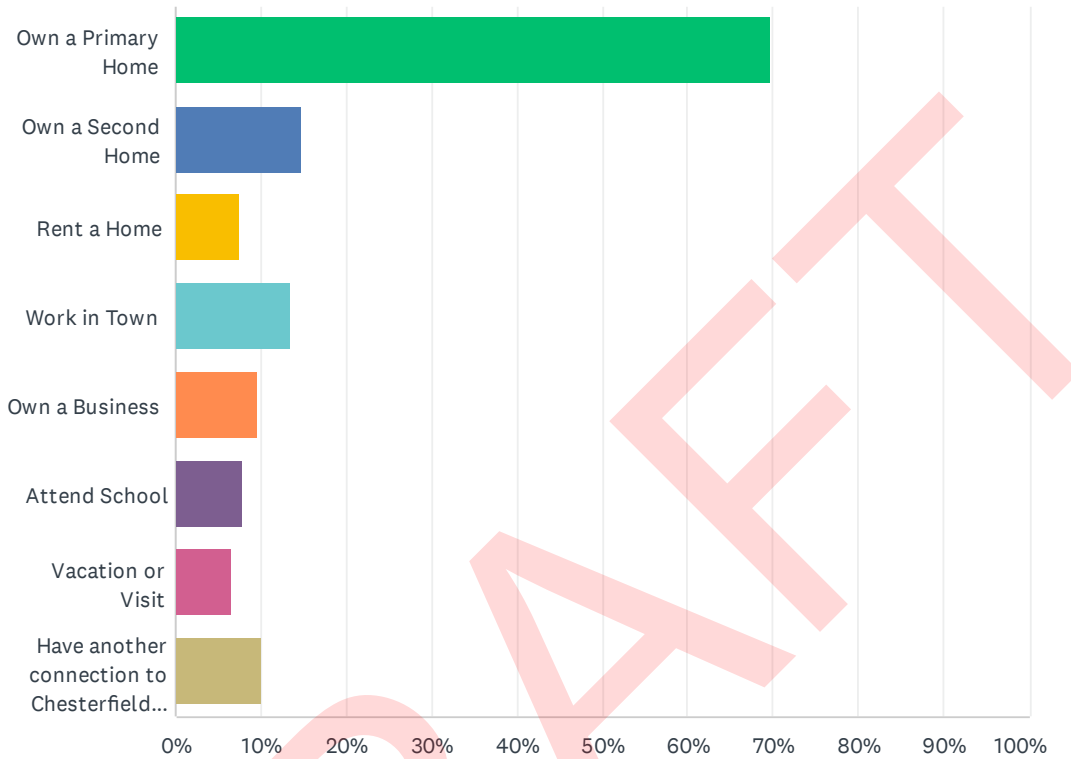
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
0	69.47%	223
1	12.15%	39
2	13.40%	43
3	3.12%	10
4	1.25%	4
5 or more	0.62%	2
TOTAL		321

Q6 Please check all of the following that apply to your relationship with the Town of Chesterfield:

Answered: 321 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Own a Primary Home	69.78%	224
Own a Second Home	14.64%	47
Rent a Home	7.48%	24
Work in Town	13.40%	43
Own a Business	9.66%	31
Attend School	7.79%	25
Vacation or Visit	6.54%	21
Have another connection to Chesterfield (please specify)	9.97%	32
Total Respondents: 321		

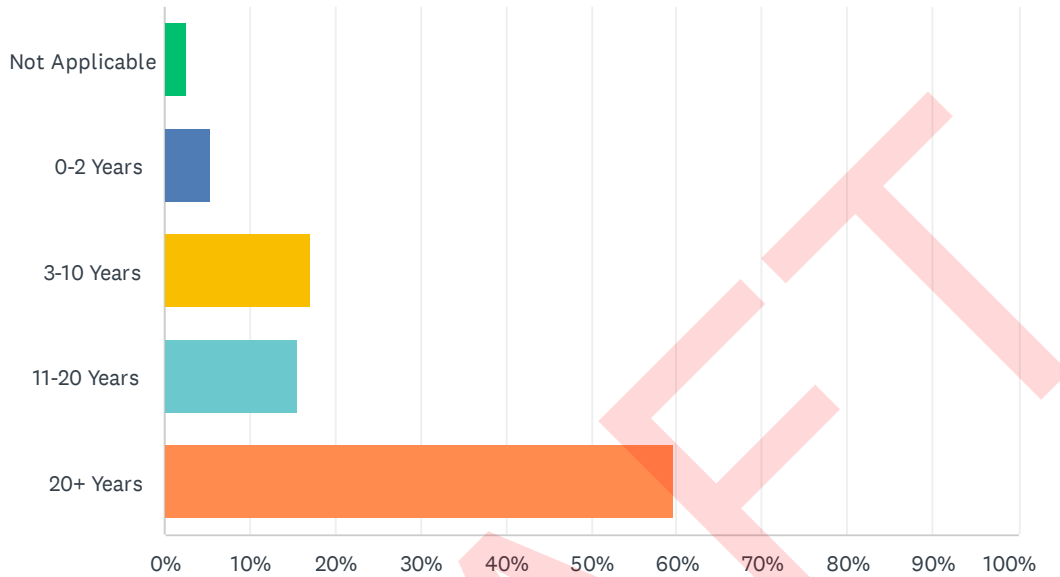
#	HAVE ANOTHER CONNECTION TO CHESTERFIELD (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Champlain Area Trails makes trails and protects land in Chesterfield and the Champlain Valley.	6/30/2024 9:30 PM
2	born there, home town of keeseville	6/29/2024 9:16 PM
3	Property	6/24/2024 9:07 PM

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4	Live next door in town of Ausable	6/23/2024 7:50 PM
5	Hometown and visit	6/23/2024 12:03 AM
6	I've lived here my entire life and I rent an apartment in port Kent	6/21/2024 9:24 PM
7	Born in Plattsburgh, raised and lived in Keeseville until age 35	6/21/2024 8:13 PM
8	Run a nonprofit	6/21/2024 7:53 PM
9	Home Town, Plan to retire there	6/21/2024 11:53 AM
10	I grew up in Port Kent and love it very much.	6/21/2024 11:34 AM
11	Lived there for 20 years, still own property	6/20/2024 3:47 PM
12	Significant other teaches at AVHS	6/20/2024 3:23 PM
13	Live in town of Ausable	6/20/2024 10:20 AM
14	multigenerational family compound	6/20/2024 9:57 AM
15	Hybrid work schedule; work from home several days/week	6/19/2024 9:25 PM
16	Live nearby	6/19/2024 9:23 PM
17	Library Board member	6/19/2024 9:04 PM
18	hoping to own a business	6/18/2024 7:50 AM
19	Grew up on Augur Lake and attended AVCS.	6/17/2024 7:29 PM
20	I own 2 homes and 2 businesses	6/10/2024 10:29 AM
21	Live nearby - shop in Keeseville	6/2/2024 9:01 AM
22	Own property	5/19/2024 7:02 PM
23	Own land/shortline property at Auger Lake; use recreationally	5/19/2024 4:52 PM
24	summer living community	5/18/2024 9:06 AM
25	Grew up there	5/13/2024 5:02 PM
26	OWN 83 ACRES OF WOODLAND	5/12/2024 7:33 PM
27	A lifetime of friends and neighbors and love of lake Champlain	5/12/2024 11:38 AM
28	Lived here all our lives--currently retired	5/10/2024 5:25 PM
29	Family	5/9/2024 7:39 AM
30	Also own a lot on North street	5/7/2024 10:40 AM
31	volunteer at non-profit	5/7/2024 7:38 AM
32	Lived in keeseville 1952-68	5/1/2024 6:48 AM

Q7 For how long have you lived/worked/vacationed in the Town of Chesterfield?

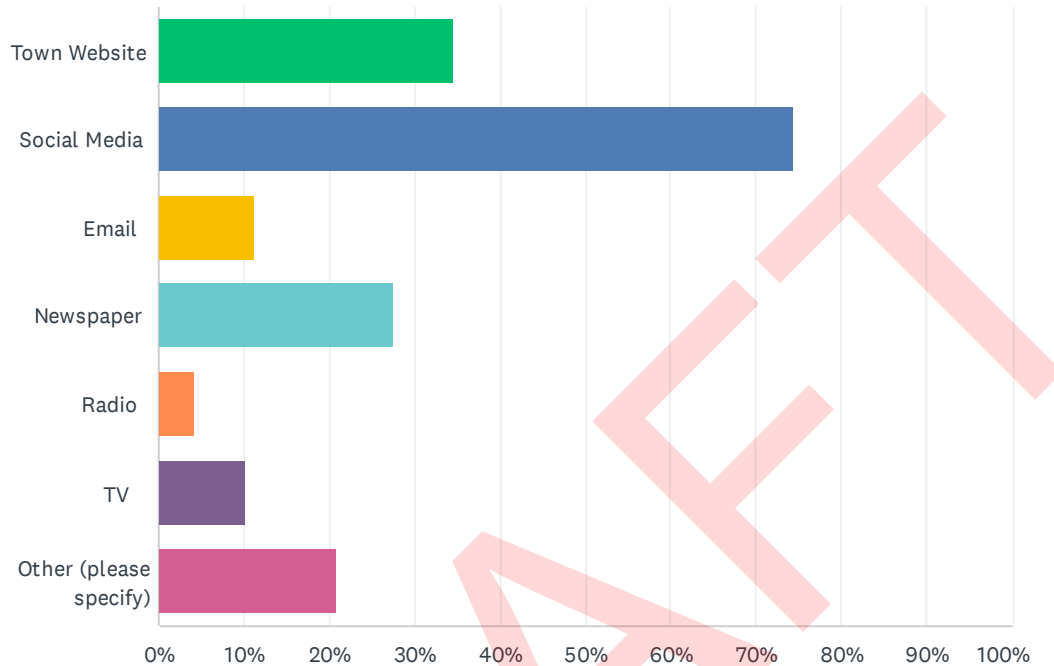
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Not Applicable	2.48%	8
0-2 Years	5.26%	17
3-10 Years	17.03%	55
11-20 Years	15.48%	50
20+ Years	59.75%	193
TOTAL		323

Q8 How do you receive news about the Town of Chesterfield? Check all that apply:

Answered: 321 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Town Website	34.58%	111
Social Media	74.45%	239
Email	11.21%	36
Newspaper	27.41%	88
Radio	4.36%	14
TV	10.28%	33
Other (please specify)	20.87%	67
Total Respondents: 321		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	People	6/26/2024 2:11 PM
2	Other residents	6/24/2024 10:33 PM
3	Facebook	6/24/2024 9:07 PM
4	Neighbors	6/24/2024 8:54 PM
5	Supervisor	6/24/2024 7:55 AM
6	town residents	6/23/2024 3:52 PM

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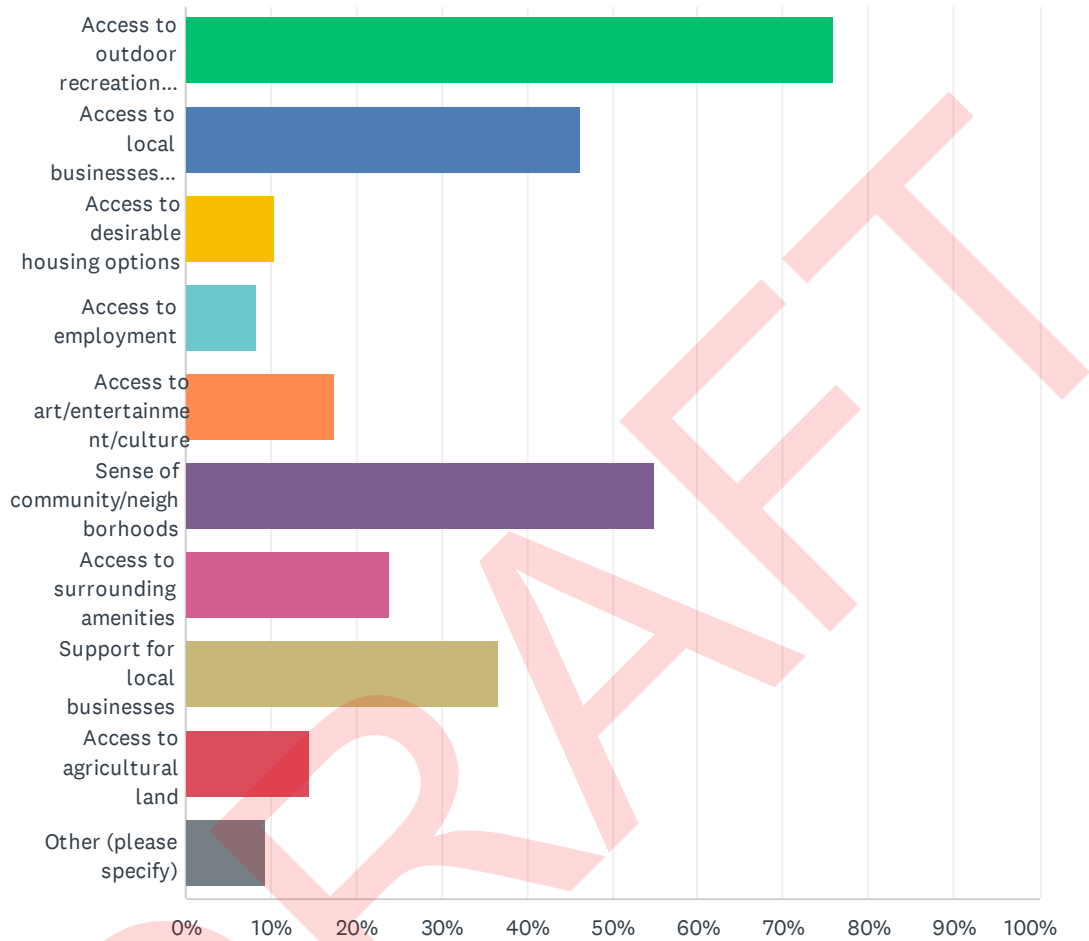
7	Local gossip	6/22/2024 4:52 PM
8	Friends	6/22/2024 3:44 PM
9	personal connections	6/22/2024 11:23 AM
10	Local gossip	6/22/2024 7:05 AM
11	Family	6/22/2024 5:31 AM
12	Visit often and have relatives there	6/21/2024 8:13 PM
13	I don't. I never have.	6/21/2024 12:52 PM
14	Friends and family	6/21/2024 11:34 AM
15	word of mouth	6/20/2024 8:42 PM
16	Friends	6/20/2024 7:49 PM
17	Word of mouth	6/20/2024 3:47 PM
18	CONVERSATION	6/20/2024 3:23 PM
19	Word of mouth	6/20/2024 3:18 PM
20	Library	6/20/2024 2:41 PM
21	Post office notices	6/20/2024 12:36 PM
22	people in town	6/20/2024 11:16 AM
23	Word of mouth	6/19/2024 9:23 PM
24	library fb page	6/19/2024 9:20 PM
25	Word of mouth	6/19/2024 9:04 PM
26	Word of mouth	6/19/2024 8:47 PM
27	planning board member	6/18/2024 7:50 AM
28	Augur Lake Association and colleagues.	6/17/2024 7:29 PM
29	Danny at the dump	6/10/2024 10:07 PM
30	Member of committee	6/4/2024 9:41 PM
31	Word of mouth	5/24/2024 11:21 AM
32	Word of mouth	5/24/2024 10:15 AM
33	community engagement	5/20/2024 7:28 PM
34	Word of mouth	5/20/2024 2:49 PM
35	local friends and family	5/20/2024 9:32 AM
36	Gossip	5/20/2024 9:18 AM
37	Friends and family	5/20/2024 7:42 AM
38	Auger Lake Property Owners Association	5/19/2024 4:52 PM
39	Town officials	5/15/2024 6:29 PM
40	word of mouth	5/15/2024 10:07 AM
41	Local gossip	5/15/2024 10:00 AM
42	Word of mouth	5/15/2024 9:52 AM
43	Neighbors	5/15/2024 9:18 AM
44	Town meetings	5/14/2024 6:41 AM

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45	Board	5/13/2024 8:31 PM
46	Alicia Fuller	5/13/2024 4:06 PM
47	Word of mouth	5/13/2024 3:56 PM
48	word of mouth	5/13/2024 3:56 PM
49	store gossip	5/13/2024 3:52 PM
50	Local friends and family	5/12/2024 11:38 AM
51	Friends, google searches, word of mouth	5/11/2024 8:35 PM
52	People	5/11/2024 8:30 AM
53	Work	5/10/2024 2:54 PM
54	Friends	5/9/2024 10:17 PM
55	Word of mouth	5/9/2024 7:39 AM
56	Danny at the dump	5/8/2024 11:17 PM
57	word of mouth	5/7/2024 3:38 PM
58	word of mouth	5/7/2024 7:38 AM
59	Trembleau Road homeowners association	5/7/2024 12:17 AM
60	attend meetings and ask questions	5/6/2024 7:23 AM
61	Corlear Bay friends and meetings	5/5/2024 10:16 AM
62	Word of mouth	5/3/2024 2:02 PM
63	Word of mouth	5/2/2024 9:25 PM
64	Friends and family	5/2/2024 5:04 PM
65	friends	5/2/2024 6:39 AM
66	Word of mouth	5/1/2024 9:40 AM
67	Contact with residents	5/1/2024 6:48 AM

Q9 Which of the following do you value most about the Town of Chesterfield? Please select three (3) from the list below.

Answered: 298 Skipped: 26



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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Access to outdoor recreation (e.g., lake, trails, parks, golf courses, etc.)	75.84%	226
Access to local businesses (e.g., shopping, dining, services, etc.)	46.31%	138
Access to desirable housing options	10.40%	31
Access to employment	8.39%	25
Access to art/entertainment/culture	17.45%	52
Sense of community/neighborhoods	55.03%	164
Access to surrounding amenities	23.83%	71
Support for local businesses	36.58%	109
Access to agricultural land	14.43%	43
Other (please specify)	9.40%	28
Total Respondents: 298		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	access to Port Douglas Town Beach	6/30/2024 9:34 PM
2	Close to lake ,river and mountains	6/23/2024 10:46 PM
3	Timberland	6/22/2024 11:27 AM
4	being able to live at our family homestead where I was raised	6/22/2024 7:27 AM
5	History of Port Kent to Keeseville transport from 1827- 2018.	6/22/2024 5:40 AM
6	It is a gorgeous area to live. Peaceful and safe.	6/21/2024 12:17 PM
7	Safety	6/20/2024 4:12 PM
8	Feeling that town officials really care and are reachable personally	6/20/2024 12:43 PM
9	Unfortunately I do not see the existence of any of these.	6/19/2024 9:59 PM
10	Historical significance, ie. Swing bridge, arch bridge, chasm and architecture	6/19/2024 9:12 PM
11	Relative quietness, safety and security of our community	5/29/2024 11:46 AM
12	Quietness of our community.	5/29/2024 11:46 AM
13	Rural quality of town	5/20/2024 7:31 PM
14	Being close to family and relatives	5/20/2024 7:47 AM
15	safety	5/18/2024 9:11 AM
16	peaceful rural life	5/17/2024 7:24 AM
17	None of the above	5/16/2024 8:15 PM
18	Having a local crossing the Burlington was ideal. Letting that go was a complete loss to local tourism and the state of NY. Big mistake.	5/12/2024 11:44 AM
19	Proximity to Lake Champlain	5/11/2024 6:33 PM
20	Family home & related	5/9/2024 7:43 AM
21	Dog park	5/8/2024 11:20 PM
22	Beauty of area	5/6/2024 11:06 AM

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23	Peaceful	5/5/2024 7:29 AM
24	Safe traveling, not much traffic	5/4/2024 11:50 AM
25	affordable real estate compared to Vermont	5/4/2024 10:24 AM
26	Peace and quiet.	5/1/2024 9:46 AM
27	A sense of local history	5/1/2024 7:04 AM
28	General public safety	4/30/2024 3:12 PM

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Q10 The Town of Chesterfield is home to many special places that make the community unique. What do you feel is an exceptionally important asset to the Town of Chesterfield?

Answered: 257 Skipped: 67

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The views across the landscape and potential to make trails that highlight the landscape features and promote economic vitality.	6/30/2024 9:34 PM
2	arch bridge stands out as one	6/29/2024 9:20 PM
3	The lake	6/27/2024 8:55 AM
4	the bridges	6/26/2024 2:15 PM
5	Lake, chasm and history	6/25/2024 3:00 PM
6	The river	6/24/2024 10:36 PM
7	The river	6/24/2024 9:10 PM
8	The river - there are many vacant buildings on the river that could be utilized by businesses. This would attract people to Keeseville	6/24/2024 9:02 PM
9	Cleaning up the dock there is a bad odor there	6/24/2024 6:03 PM
10	Town is well kept and clean	6/24/2024 8:53 AM
11	Historic bridges	6/24/2024 7:58 AM
12	The river	6/23/2024 10:46 PM
13	Recreation/nature	6/23/2024 8:17 PM
14	Community activities	6/23/2024 7:53 PM
15	The diversity of agricultural, commercial and residential properties.	6/23/2024 7:31 PM
16	the park by the river, the walkability of downtown	6/23/2024 4:40 PM
17	lake	6/23/2024 3:56 PM
18	Ausable Chasm	6/23/2024 9:52 AM
19	Lake Champlain	6/23/2024 7:31 AM
20	Children's park	6/23/2024 7:15 AM
21	Small and rural	6/23/2024 12:05 AM
22	Local business	6/22/2024 11:15 PM
23	The beach in Port kent	6/22/2024 11:15 PM
24	Supporting local businesses.	6/22/2024 8:30 PM
25	Grocery store	6/22/2024 7:02 PM
26	Our key bridge and swinging Bridge, and our park. Also our Veterans Memorial.	6/22/2024 6:32 PM
27	Poke-o, Lake Champlain, brewery, winery, Arnold's store.	6/22/2024 6:18 PM
28	Used to be the village clock. Bridges, the river, Prescott Mill, Nail Factory, KNB, churches	6/22/2024 5:03 PM
29	The Ausable river; The historic bridges; Together they make a unique and beautiful center For the communities.	6/22/2024 4:50 PM

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30	Small Businesses and tourism	6/22/2024 2:55 PM
31	Lake Champlain	6/22/2024 2:09 PM
32	Her lake shores	6/22/2024 1:54 PM
33	The beach in Port Kent	6/22/2024 12:15 PM
34	Ausable brewing	6/22/2024 11:46 AM
35	Boat launch/Town Beach	6/22/2024 11:27 AM
36	Lake Champlain	6/22/2024 10:04 AM
37	Stores	6/22/2024 10:03 AM
38	The Chasm, Ausable river and Lake Champlain	6/22/2024 9:56 AM
39	Bridges, farms, Elks, Port Kent and Port Douglas	6/22/2024 9:39 AM
40	the beaches of Port Douglas and Port Kent, Jaycee park.	6/22/2024 9:05 AM
41	The beach and boat launch	6/22/2024 8:10 AM
42	Keeseville Elementary school and the park behind the library and areas to enjoy the river !	6/22/2024 8:10 AM
43	AuSable Chasm, the arch bridge, the iron bridge and the swinging bridge. All are very historic parts of our community.	6/22/2024 7:27 AM
44	Restaurants, shops and outdoor activities	6/22/2024 7:18 AM
45	Lake Champlain and the Ausable River	6/22/2024 7:08 AM
46	Downtown park area	6/22/2024 6:25 AM
47	An important place in the history of early USA. Canals, steamboats, BOP, the Empire State that the canal boat commerce created, local and northern NYS industries, from lumber, coal, hay, crops, beef, iron, granite, marble, and the Summer Whitehouse at Bluff Point (Hotel Champlain).	6/22/2024 5:40 AM
48	Ausable Chasm	6/22/2024 12:43 AM
49	Small town feel with local businesses	6/21/2024 11:58 PM
50	The small businesses downtown, places like parks and walkways through downtown. The parks and beaches are really important	6/21/2024 9:29 PM
51	Mace Chasm Road, access to the lake.	6/21/2024 9:02 PM
52	The Lake, Ports and Ausable Chasm.	6/21/2024 8:46 PM
53	Well, the downtown area used to be an attraction for shopping with the nice old buildings, but it's dead now. There needs to be some serious marketing or other attractive tax incentives or something to get businesses to come back.	6/21/2024 8:18 PM
54	Local business and independence	6/21/2024 8:13 PM
55	The Keeseville Historic District and historic buildings on Front and Main Streets in particular	6/21/2024 7:55 PM
56	Well run community services	6/21/2024 5:52 PM
57	Lake Champlain and the AuSable river	6/21/2024 4:13 PM
58	The stores	6/21/2024 4:12 PM
59	The local small business like the brewery, dairy, meat farm, golf course, restaurants, etc.	6/21/2024 3:48 PM
60	Many local businesses including the pharmacy, bank, hardware store, gas station, and handful of restaurants or venues like the brewing company, vineyards, and historical buildings and the library. I would like to see more family events and activities towards children.	6/21/2024 3:05 PM
61	Adirondack Hardware	6/21/2024 2:34 PM
62	Poke-O- Moonshine (but also Ausable River, Mace Chasm Road, Port Douglass, Harmony,	6/21/2024 1:59 PM

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	Port Kent)	
63	Lake Champlain, local businesses (brewery & winery), access to hiking trails	6/21/2024 1:57 PM
64	Access to locally owned and operated agricultural businesses.	6/21/2024 1:54 PM
65	Local businesses	6/21/2024 12:55 PM
66	The people. Always willing to help others.	6/21/2024 12:39 PM
67	local stores/businesses	6/21/2024 12:22 PM
68	The village center is extremely important and it's revitalization should be a priority to attract people to visit.	6/21/2024 12:17 PM
69	Parks	6/21/2024 12:14 PM
70	The park	6/21/2024 11:52 AM
71	I feel that Harmony Golf Course is a huge asset as is the Ausable Brewing Company. There are many fine businesses locally.	6/21/2024 11:38 AM
72	Lake Champlain	6/21/2024 11:14 AM
73	Port Kent beach	6/21/2024 10:34 AM
74	Mace Chasm road attractions and Port Douglas beach area	6/21/2024 10:25 AM
75	The lake is a big draw for locals and visitors.	6/21/2024 10:11 AM
76	Ausable Chasm and Ausable Brewing Company	6/21/2024 9:52 AM
77	Village of Keeseville	6/21/2024 9:46 AM
78	Still a safe place to live and raise a family!	6/21/2024 9:42 AM
79	Port Kent beach, local businesses	6/21/2024 9:41 AM
80	Location	6/21/2024 9:39 AM
81	Proximity to Adirondacks and Lake	6/21/2024 9:33 AM
82	It's farms, forest, lakes, and chasm	6/21/2024 9:27 AM
83	It has a lovely small town feel, the scenery is breathtaking, and people are very friendly.	6/21/2024 9:23 AM
84	Keeseville is a destination for me especially Mace Chasm Road, the Lavender Farm, Gofflowers and Anderson Falls Historical Museum.	6/21/2024 9:22 AM
85	The historic bridges and buildings.	6/20/2024 9:05 PM
86	Ausable Chasm	6/20/2024 8:50 PM
87	All of the farms/business on Mace Chasm Road!	6/20/2024 7:54 PM
88	Ausable Chasm	6/20/2024 5:53 PM
89	Not sure	6/20/2024 4:50 PM
90	Businesses. If they'd ever last.	6/20/2024 4:12 PM
91	The continuous pivot to boosting community and community based events	6/20/2024 3:49 PM
92	Physical location	6/20/2024 3:26 PM
93	Small town appeal	6/20/2024 3:19 PM
94	The library	6/20/2024 2:42 PM
95	I'm not sure, honestly. I have lived here for 3 years and I don't know much about the town or people in it. I don't really have time to go out and do things because I work so much.	6/20/2024 1:18 PM
96	Lake Champlain! Wonderful people, a good local school, Harmony and their restaurant as well as restaurants on Keeseville, although minimal I appreciate our stores including the pharmacy!! The Library, churches.	6/20/2024 12:43 PM

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97	cleanliness	6/20/2024 11:18 AM
98	Local parks, small businesses, community events.	6/20/2024 10:36 AM
99	The river and local businesses	6/20/2024 10:23 AM
100	historic bridges, historic hamlet, and access to mountains (poko & Trembleau) and Lake Champlain.	6/20/2024 9:58 AM
101	A very important asset to the town is Lake Champlain.	6/20/2024 9:41 AM
102	Town hall, Anderson Falls Museum, pharmacy, coffee shop, Gigi's	6/20/2024 8:39 AM
103	AuSable Chasm Christmas Celebration 2 Catholic Churches	6/20/2024 8:15 AM
104	Auger lake Close proximity to area attractions	6/20/2024 7:59 AM
105	Jacee Park	6/20/2024 5:33 AM
106	Front Street businesses and growing downtown scene. Mace Chasm community and its serene landscape as well. The historic bridges and chasm that draw in a great deal of tourism. Keeseville often gets a bad rap but truly just needs to draw in a younger crowd from the surrounding regions. This town feels much catered to the older population.	6/20/2024 12:09 AM
107	Ausable Chasm	6/19/2024 11:46 PM
108	Coffee shop, hardware store, North Country Creamery, Mace Chasm Farm, ADK Action, The Grange, Keeseville Good Shepherd Church of the Nazarene, the bridge	6/19/2024 10:06 PM
109	Veteran's Memorial The river	6/19/2024 9:59 PM
110	Lake Champlain	6/19/2024 9:36 PM
111	Opportunity is there for many things	6/19/2024 9:25 PM
112	Muesum	6/19/2024 9:24 PM
113	The library	6/19/2024 9:24 PM
114	Small town feel, relatively low crime rate, quiet.	6/19/2024 9:18 PM
115	Small town feel	6/19/2024 9:15 PM
116	The people	6/19/2024 9:14 PM
117	Beach, chasm, brewery and winery, bridges and architecture	6/19/2024 9:12 PM
118	The ausable river, lake Champlain	6/19/2024 9:04 PM
119	Local shopping, locally owned dining	6/19/2024 8:59 PM
120	Grocery store	6/19/2024 8:52 PM
121	We need to protect our portion of the ausable river better for starters. Also our historic architecture and cemeteries.	6/19/2024 8:36 PM
122	Our history and bridges	6/19/2024 8:35 PM
123	To keep the older building standing. It's brings out the unique and one of a kind feeling of an older small town.	6/19/2024 8:24 PM
124	Cleanliness of the town and maintenance of community (public) resources	6/19/2024 8:19 PM
125	The areas historical and nature charm.	6/19/2024 8:18 PM
126	Community	6/19/2024 8:10 PM
127	low taxes	6/19/2024 8:10 PM
128	AuSable Chasm	6/19/2024 8:08 PM
129	N/a	6/19/2024 8:08 PM
130	Lake Champlain	6/19/2024 8:06 PM

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131	People in the community and Location	6/19/2024 8:04 PM
132	The towns historical significance over the development of the country	6/19/2024 8:00 PM
133	Port Douglas Beach/boat launch	6/19/2024 7:59 PM
134	How the community always comes together to help anybody that may need it	6/19/2024 7:57 PM
135	All the local businesses	6/19/2024 7:56 PM
136	Our historic architecture on Front Street and in residential housing. Our bridges. Our natural resources like the chasm, river, Port Douglas Beach, Poko etc.	6/19/2024 7:51 PM
137	Your volunteer fire dept	6/19/2024 7:45 PM
138	port douglas	6/19/2024 7:45 PM
139	Lake Champlain and comfortable town with small businesses,	6/18/2024 7:51 AM
140	Community spirit	6/17/2024 7:31 PM
141	The library	6/12/2024 3:18 PM
142	Emergency services	6/10/2024 10:11 PM
143	Beautiful landscape Friendly people	6/10/2024 6:05 PM
144	Not much.	6/10/2024 3:17 PM
145	AuSable River Lake Champlain Access historic Keeseville downtown	6/10/2024 10:37 AM
146	The lake front port Douglas beach and boat launch	6/4/2024 9:42 PM
147	Small town charm	6/3/2024 11:40 AM
148	Port Douglass Beach, Pok O Moonshine	6/2/2024 9:04 AM
149	Lake Champlain, Poke-O-Moonshine and other local hikes, Ausable Chasm and the beautiful, historic town center.	5/30/2024 11:24 AM
150	The small businesses is what keeps Keeseville thriving, along with the locals coming together for events. Events need to appeal to all of Keeseville's citizens more than just for kids.	5/29/2024 6:32 PM
151	AuSable Chasm, Lake Champlain	5/29/2024 11:46 AM
152	While the Town provides many opportunities for tourists, it offers many options for agriculture and small businesses.	5/29/2024 11:46 AM
153	Port Kent and Port Douglas beaches	5/28/2024 12:25 PM
154	highway road maintenance	5/24/2024 5:50 PM
155	Lake Champlain is the primary asset of the town of Chesterfield. We should capitalize on this with food and bath houses located at the beaches of Port Kent and Port Douglas.	5/24/2024 11:34 AM
156	Access to Lake Champlain	5/23/2024 2:21 PM
157	Lake Champlain	5/23/2024 12:41 PM
158	Ausable Chasm	5/23/2024 12:10 PM
159	Lake Champlain	5/23/2024 11:39 AM
160	Lake Champlain, recreational opportunities.	5/23/2024 10:29 AM
161	.	5/21/2024 8:51 PM
162	Lake Champlain, Town Government, Keeseville upgrading	5/21/2024 9:38 AM
163	Lakefront access, relatively safe and quiet	5/20/2024 7:31 PM
164	Mace Chasm Road businesses, Jaycee park, Ausable chasm, port henry and port Kent beaches, riverfront downtown	5/20/2024 2:53 PM
165	The connection with close community wanting to help and come together to improve our Town	5/20/2024 9:37 AM

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166	It is important that we still have a (mostly) small town feel. I like the small businesses that do well outside of downtown, but would like to see the main street further developed with access to groceries in town.	5/20/2024 9:21 AM
167	Location! Very rural, lake Champlain, mountains but close to Plattsburgh and Montreal	5/20/2024 7:47 AM
168	AuSable Chasm	5/20/2024 4:55 AM
169	Easy access to Interstate 87, commute to Montreal & Albany	5/19/2024 9:37 PM
170	The river, Ausable Chasm,	5/19/2024 9:13 PM
171	Integration with the two towns (Ausable) and the small community atmosphere	5/19/2024 8:29 PM
172	Auger lake is special spot for residents, in part because it is limited access, without powerboat users, protecting natural state	5/19/2024 4:54 PM
173	Grocery store	5/18/2024 3:46 PM
174	The proximity to Lake Champlain and the Adirondack Park is unique. Enjoying the quiet rural nature of the village of Keeseville has always been wonderful. Our summer community's relationship with long standing families there has and is a source of great pride!	5/18/2024 9:11 AM
175	Historic sites	5/17/2024 5:51 PM
176	Lake Champlain	5/17/2024 7:24 AM
177	The river	5/16/2024 8:15 PM
178	The library, the lake,	5/16/2024 5:28 PM
179	The lakefront areas.	5/16/2024 11:28 AM
180	Lake Champlain	5/16/2024 10:55 AM
181	Lake Champlain	5/16/2024 9:51 AM
182	Beach and boat launch, small downtown business area	5/16/2024 9:46 AM
183	It's a small community, quiet for the most part but it is changing in last few years unfortunately with more people being inconsiderate of their neighbors with noise and fireworks. Traffic has got worse with drivers, mostly local, speeding up and down second street in Port Kent, again with more people showing a disregard and lack of courtesy to their neighbors. I love living in Port Kent overall, it's a beautiful place to live overall.	5/16/2024 9:39 AM
184	Lake Champlain, AuSable River. Proximity to Plattsburgh	5/16/2024 9:26 AM
185	Proximity to the river and lake	5/16/2024 8:28 AM
186	Ausable River	5/15/2024 6:33 PM
187	It's a beautiful rural location, nested near Lake Champlain and close to the ADK mountains with rivers, ponds, etc. I don't care too much about being close to city life, but it's close enough to Burlington, Montreal etc for a few trips per year. The land is fertile, markets for our products are great, and not saturated like in VT.	5/15/2024 10:13 AM
188	Ausable chasm	5/15/2024 10:02 AM
189	Our agriculture	5/15/2024 9:52 AM
190	Lake Champlain Ausable Chasm	5/15/2024 9:20 AM
191	Lake	5/14/2024 7:58 PM
192	Ausable River, old logging road between Trembleau Rd. and Port Douglas, Wickham Marsh,	5/14/2024 4:57 PM
193	The Bridges need to be fixed. Access to Augar pond	5/14/2024 6:44 AM
194	Bring in businesses to the empty stores	5/13/2024 9:47 PM
195	Locality to important venues. The Lake, Lake Placid, Montreal.	5/13/2024 8:35 PM
196	Lake Champlain	5/13/2024 7:01 PM

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197	X	5/13/2024 6:52 PM
198	The Ausable River	5/13/2024 6:13 PM
199	That is a hard thing to break down as it being a small town all things are important. Local hardware store, JC park, hiking trails, AuSable Chasm, Harmony Gold Club, these are all things that bring in people and show off the sites we have to offer.	5/13/2024 4:09 PM
200	AuSable Chasm	5/13/2024 3:59 PM
201	The lake	5/13/2024 3:58 PM
202	Lake Champlain	5/13/2024 3:53 PM
203	Access to State Land and Lake Champlain	5/13/2024 6:44 AM
204	Trees	5/12/2024 8:14 PM
205	THE BEAUTY OF THE AREA	5/12/2024 7:36 PM
206	Lake Champlain, the quaint charm of the town of Keeseville and its charming pedestrian and vehicular small bridge crossings of the Ausable river that we once enjoyed. Wishing some Biden infrastructure money would help to bring those back to residents and tourists. Also enhancing river views by strategic pruning. So many places where river view could be gained.	5/12/2024 11:44 AM
207	Lake Champlain, I miss the days when the public beach was very active. The plein air festival has become very important. Last year's fun run was a blast. Going to the brewery/vineyard and farms	5/11/2024 8:38 PM
208	Keeseville hardware, pizza shop, river views, Stewarts	5/11/2024 6:33 PM
209	People with a sense of law and order, who care about their neighbors....sense of community	5/10/2024 5:30 PM
210	The Ausable river / chasm . Port Douglas / port Kent/ augur lake / pokeomoonshine	5/10/2024 2:56 PM
211	Farm stands, green houses and garden centers, art & sports festivals, orchards, swim program for grand children.	5/9/2024 10:27 PM
212	The Keeseville Free Library is a primary hub for me to connect and engage in the community	5/9/2024 5:29 PM
213	River, lake & historic hamlet	5/9/2024 7:43 AM
214	The river and adjacent park area	5/9/2024 6:51 AM
215	The library!!!	5/8/2024 11:20 PM
216	Community support and concern for the future of our town.	5/8/2024 9:56 PM
217	Its proximity to lakes and hiking trails	5/8/2024 2:42 PM
218	The youth	5/7/2024 11:04 PM
219	The fact that we live in a gorgeous area with a lot of history. The Ausable Chasm brings in a lot of tourism but not much else is utilizing that.	5/7/2024 10:28 PM
220	Access (port Douglass and port Kent) and view of Lake Champlain. Thriving agricultural businesses in the Mace Chasm area.	5/7/2024 9:01 PM
221	Proximity to AuSable Chasm, proximity to I 87. convenient access to the high peaks, Adirondack canoe country, Lake Camplain, Whiteface ski center, Lake Placid \and Saranac Lake.	5/7/2024 3:40 PM
222	Port Kent Park	5/7/2024 1:04 PM
223	The beach / lake properties. Unfortunately these areas are not well cared for . Who maintains the Port Kent Beach ?	5/7/2024 10:50 AM
224	Jc park	5/7/2024 8:56 AM
225	Library	5/7/2024 7:42 AM
226	Lake Champlain	5/7/2024 12:21 AM
227	Farm Businesses	5/6/2024 8:46 PM

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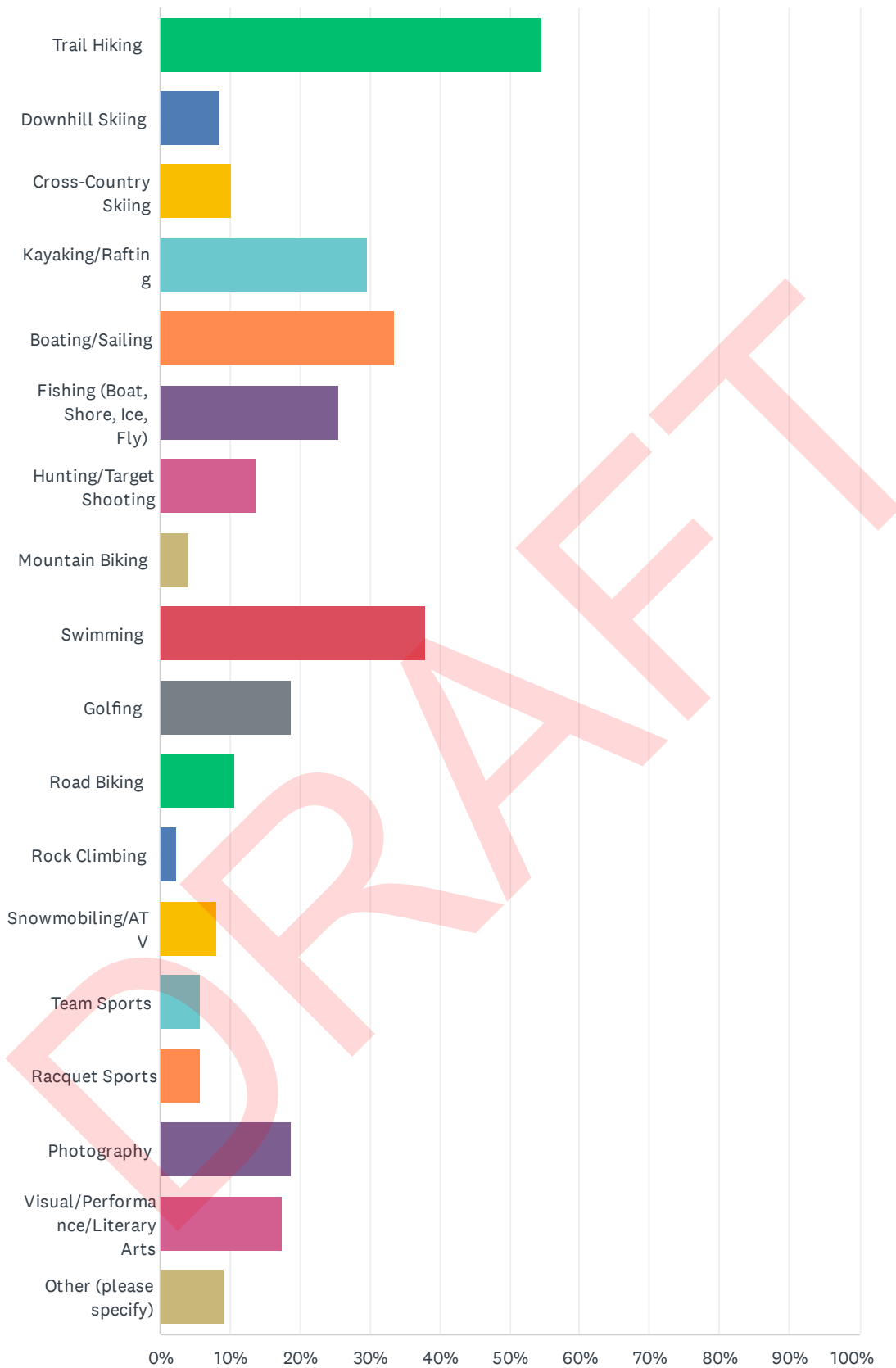
228	The lake and the ability to access it. This is however becoming a concern.	5/6/2024 8:20 PM
229	Historic architectural beauty, stonework, bridges, river	5/6/2024 7:48 PM
230	Port Douglass/Corlaer Bay and Lake Champlain.	5/6/2024 7:40 PM
231	Winery	5/6/2024 4:21 PM
232	Felt that the ferry connection to Burlington was really an important asset and is a big loss. Town's advocacy for reintroducing that connection would be great. Also, love having the small farm stores in Keeseville and suport those!	5/6/2024 2:17 PM
233	Lake Champlain and Ausable Chasm	5/6/2024 11:06 AM
234	the library, the local theater group , tennis court,post office	5/6/2024 9:32 AM
235	Champlain and port kent beach, which is owned by LCT and ignored by the Town of Chesterfield....	5/6/2024 7:27 AM
236	Lake champlain	5/5/2024 10:39 AM
237	The Lake	5/5/2024 10:36 AM
238	Sustaining local businesses and Library. Smart protection of outdoor beauty and historic buildings.	5/5/2024 10:24 AM
239	Making the necessary update/repairs while leaving Port Kent the way is was. Making chicken owners keep their chicken on their property to shit in their yards as opposed to their neighbor's. I don't think as a tax payer I should have to track chicken shit in my car because the town allows chicken owners that right.	5/5/2024 7:29 AM
240	Bridges	5/4/2024 11:27 PM
241	Location	5/4/2024 4:27 PM
242	Chasm	5/4/2024 3:10 PM
243	??	5/4/2024 11:50 AM
244	Being between mountains & lake, yet in ADK Park Many historical buildings Ausable River comes through town	5/4/2024 10:24 AM
245	Lake Champlain	5/3/2024 10:24 AM
246	Ausable River and the downtown architecture - at the hub (potential hub) of NYC - Montreal - Lake Placid. With Ausable Chasm and Lake Champlain, we have SUCH potential to be a mecca in the downtown area - a place folks want to stop and visit while passing through.	5/3/2024 9:53 AM
247	The bridges	5/2/2024 9:27 PM
248	The Keeseville Free Library	5/2/2024 5:07 PM
249	I think the waterfronts are important. Whether you're talking about Augur Lake, the AuSable River, or Lake Champlain; access, environmental stewardship, and development are all important.	5/1/2024 1:44 PM
250	Ausable Chasm	5/1/2024 9:54 AM
251	The geographical beauty, the history, and the fact that it is not densely populated.	5/1/2024 9:46 AM
252	the Hamlet historic bridges, Lake Champlain, Mace Chasm Rd. farms & brewery	5/1/2024 8:33 AM
253	The history and architectural remnants of the former village.	5/1/2024 7:04 AM
254	Lake Champlain and local beaches	4/30/2024 8:59 PM
255	Strong sense of community. People, organizations and businesses work together to make Keeseville better for everyone.	4/30/2024 8:55 PM
256	It's people	4/30/2024 6:54 PM
257	Agritourism	4/30/2024 3:12 PM

Q11 The Town of Chesterfield possesses a wide variety of recreational opportunities and amenities. Please provide your top three (3) recreational interests:

Answered: 293 Skipped: 31

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Trail Hiking	54.61%	160
Downhill Skiing	8.53%	25
Cross-Country Skiing	10.24%	30
Kayaking/Rafting	29.69%	87
Boating/Sailing	33.45%	98
Fishing (Boat, Shore, Ice, Fly)	25.60%	75
Hunting/Target Shooting	13.65%	40
Mountain Biking	4.10%	12
Swimming	37.88%	111
Golfing	18.77%	55
Road Biking	10.58%	31
Rock Climbing	2.39%	7
Snowmobiling/ATV	8.19%	24
Team Sports	5.80%	17
Racquet Sports	5.80%	17
Photography	18.77%	55
Visual/Performance/Literary Arts	17.41%	51
Other (please specify)	9.22%	27
Total Respondents: 293		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Who made this list?	6/22/2024 5:03 PM
2	LaMar's Darkroom having been in the right place at the right time. 1980 Winter Olympics photofinishing, etc.	6/22/2024 5:40 AM
3	Farming	6/21/2024 12:17 PM
4	I truthfully don't do anything anymore but these would be my choices 🤔	6/20/2024 12:43 PM
5	Softball	6/20/2024 10:36 AM
6	Community Events	6/20/2024 8:15 AM
7	Snowshoeing	6/19/2024 10:06 PM
8	Unfortunately I do not hear townfolk discussing, nor do I see, any of these opportunities within Town of Chesterfield/Keeseville.	6/19/2024 9:59 PM
9	Camping	6/19/2024 9:36 PM
10	Parks for young kids	6/19/2024 8:24 PM
11	Trail hiking should be noted for Commerce Park and for walks around our historic town.	6/19/2024 7:51 PM
12	Farming	6/19/2024 7:45 PM
13	camping	6/18/2024 7:51 AM

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14	Pickleball	6/10/2024 6:05 PM
15	Great foraging	5/20/2024 7:47 AM
16	N/A	5/16/2024 8:15 PM
17	Bird watching	5/14/2024 7:58 PM
18	SNOWSHOEING	5/12/2024 7:36 PM
19	Yoga/Meditation	5/9/2024 6:51 AM
20	Camping	5/8/2024 9:56 PM
21	Kids playgrounds	5/7/2024 8:56 AM
22	Farm Experiences	5/6/2024 8:46 PM
23	We need to install Pickleball courts	5/6/2024 11:06 AM
24	snow shoeing	5/6/2024 9:32 AM
25	peaceandquiet	5/6/2024 7:27 AM
26	Small towns	5/4/2024 3:10 PM
27	Dining and craft beverages	5/1/2024 1:44 PM

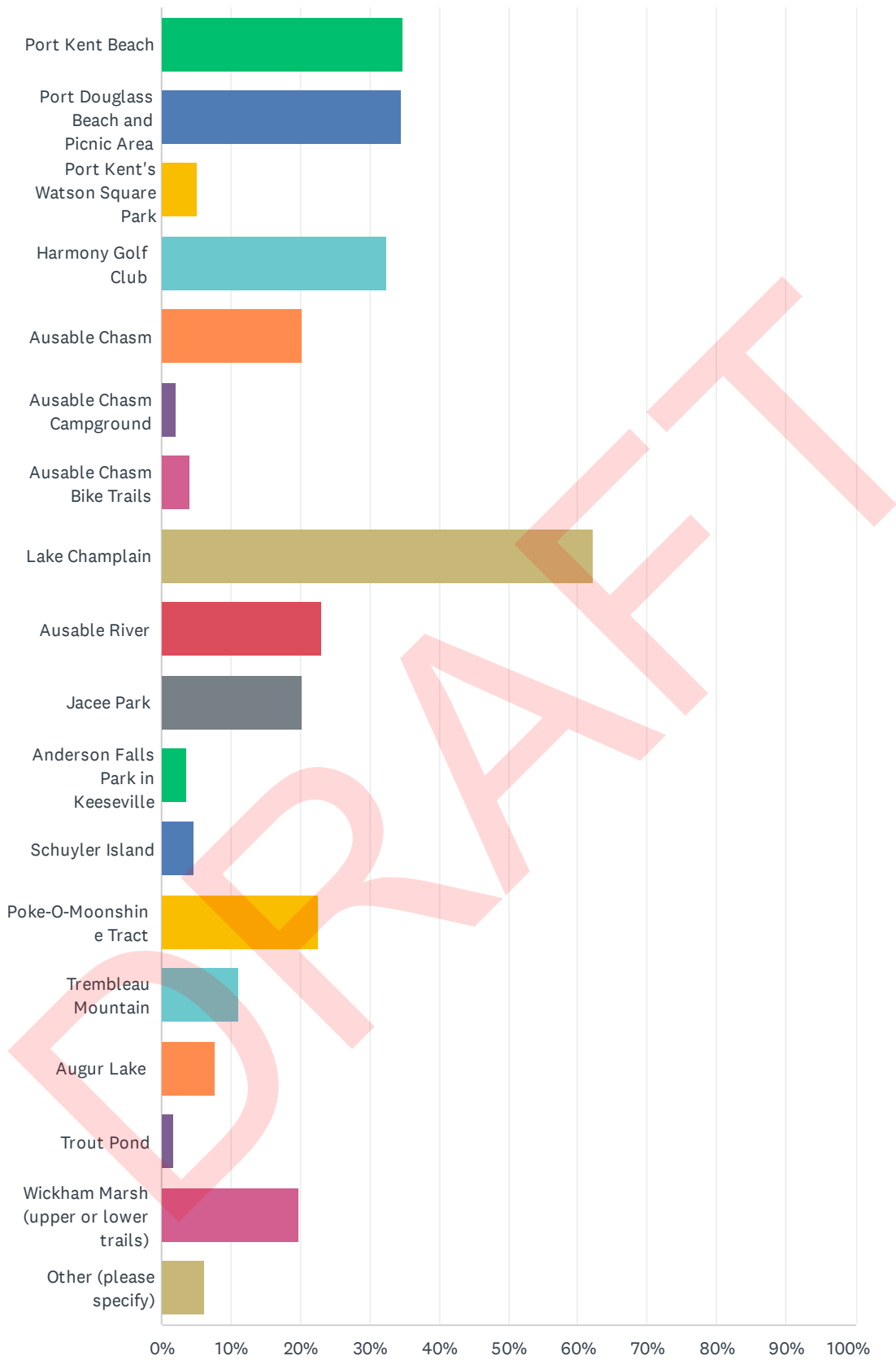
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Q12 Which three (3) outdoor recreational resources do you utilize the most:

Answered: 296 Skipped: 28

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Port Kent Beach	34.80%	103
Port Douglass Beach and Picnic Area	34.46%	102
Port Kent's Watson Square Park	5.07%	15
Harmony Golf Club	32.43%	96
Ausable Chasm	20.27%	60
Ausable Chasm Campground	2.03%	6
Ausable Chasm Bike Trails	4.05%	12
Lake Champlain	62.16%	184
Ausable River	22.97%	68
Jacee Park	20.27%	60
Anderson Falls Park in Keeseville	3.72%	11
Schuyler Island	4.73%	14
Poke-O-Moonshine Tract	22.64%	67
Trembleau Mountain	11.15%	33
Augur Lake	7.77%	23
Trout Pond	1.69%	5
Wickham Marsh (upper or lower trails)	19.93%	59
Other (please specify)	6.08%	18
Total Respondents: 296		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	public sidewalks	6/26/2024 2:15 PM
2	Much better list!	6/22/2024 5:03 PM
3	My own property	6/22/2024 11:27 AM
4	Port Kent Dock area. (History.)	6/22/2024 5:40 AM
5	Harmony Restaurant	6/21/2024 11:38 AM
6	None of the above	6/21/2024 9:22 AM
7	Pinnacle	6/20/2024 7:54 PM
8	We used to go to Port Kent beach before it was gated	6/20/2024 10:23 AM
9	Commerce park	6/19/2024 8:10 PM
10	I frequently used to camp at Schuyler Island when I owned boat.	6/19/2024 7:51 PM
11	Pinnacle/Bigelow Mountain; sorry I know you said 3, I couldn't choose.	5/15/2024 10:13 AM
12	Rattlesnake hike	5/12/2024 11:44 AM
13	State land and Prescott Land Trust with permission	5/11/2024 8:38 PM
14	AuSable Point	5/10/2024 5:30 PM

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15	Port Douglass boat launch	5/6/2024 11:06 AM
16	peru trails and parks...ausable campground walking	5/6/2024 7:27 AM
17	Mace Chasm - Highland Road beverage corridor	5/1/2024 1:44 PM
18	AuSable Brewing company	4/30/2024 6:54 PM

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Q13 In one sentence - or a few descriptive words - how would you describe your ideal vision for the Town of Chesterfield in five to ten years from now?

Answered: 241 Skipped: 83

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Chesterfield features thriving villages of Keeseville, Port Kent, and Port Douglas that are located in a landscape of conserved forests, farmland, Lake Champlain shoreline, and habitat connectivity where people can hike from town to town and to attractive places on hiking and walking trails.	6/30/2024 9:54 PM
2	Focus on the promotion of niche businesses to promote a wider variety of Tourism desirability	6/29/2024 9:30 PM
3	Would like to see Keeseville be a vital small town with quality housing available, services and small businesses open in the store fronts down town, agritourism and local food available and thriving out in the ag district belt, and safe, well-designed common spaces that support outdoor recreation and enjoyment of our most beautiful spots.	6/28/2024 1:33 PM
4	A quiet Place to safely raise a family and have local items of interest	6/27/2024 8:58 AM
5	respecting residential area (former Village of Keeseville limits)	6/26/2024 2:21 PM
6	The Villa clientele should change. Less people roaming the streets at night	6/25/2024 3:10 PM
7	Peaceful the elimination of vehicles with extremely loud exhausts blasting up the hills.	6/24/2024 10:45 PM
8	Clean streets, neighborhoods. New business's such as grocery store.	6/24/2024 10:36 PM
9	Young working families	6/24/2024 9:28 PM
10	Revitalized and restored downtown area	6/24/2024 9:11 PM
11	Hopefully better looking	6/24/2024 6:09 PM
12	Interactive trail systems	6/24/2024 8:58 AM
13	Access to closed bridges. Filling up the industrial park.	6/24/2024 8:04 AM
14	More unified people working together for the greater good getting what ever things done for the average of what residents want..hopefully this survey will help figure that out	6/23/2024 11:02 PM
15	More opportunities	6/23/2024 8:21 PM
16	Community where everyone is family and cares for each other	6/23/2024 7:57 PM
17	A town with a healthy sense of community along with a thriving economic center	6/23/2024 7:56 PM
18	tighter community, fewer addicts and more businesses	6/23/2024 4:47 PM
19	Grocery store	6/23/2024 9:58 AM
20	Easy access to grocery stores and basic needs local businesses.	6/23/2024 7:47 AM
21	Quiet, violence free, drug free	6/23/2024 7:21 AM
22	Clean and quiet with basic amenities.	6/23/2024 12:14 AM
23	Utilizing the beach with a restaurant and boating marina with life guards for the beach.	6/22/2024 11:27 PM
24	Attract new businesses	6/22/2024 11:22 PM
25	Over run with criminals and illegal immigrants.	6/22/2024 8:39 PM
26	Would love to see more seating areas,more colors and to bring back the parade and carnivals	6/22/2024 6:49 PM

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27	A more vibrant downtown and more housing opportunities	6/22/2024 6:26 PM
28	Re-label the clock downtown with Keeseville on it. It's OK to keep TOC at the top. It's not too much to ask Clayton	6/22/2024 5:28 PM
29	I would like to see no vacant buildings and distressed properties with in villages.	6/22/2024 3:11 PM
30	Thriving small businesses & restaurants, better/more variety of interests to visitors & travelers	6/22/2024 2:23 PM
31	A flourishing tourist town	6/22/2024 2:08 PM
32	An improved Keeseville center	6/22/2024 11:52 AM
33	Bustling downtown with a variety of businesses and restaurants.	6/22/2024 11:32 AM
34	Capitalize on the natural assets (Lake Champlain) that is already here.	6/22/2024 10:28 AM
35	We need more things for the youth. After all when we get older they're the ones that we push it on to. There's no good spots for the older youth to hangout and this causes a lot of problems for the town in general. When I was a child myself and my friend got a grant from Tony hawk to build a skatepark. We got some equipment but nothing w a s ever followed through with for our generation and this extremely discouraged us. We need more instead of restaurants and businesses and art studios, we need a gaming hall, sports hall, an actual rec center for the kids to hangout at. I'm sure you would see alot change if you were to involve more with the kids. There's hardly anything to do around here unless you travel or enjoy hiking everyday. And that gets old super quick.	6/22/2024 10:14 AM
36	We absolutely need more housing for all levels of family	6/22/2024 9:44 AM
37	Clean, inviting, family friendly	6/22/2024 8:28 AM
38	Grocery store	6/22/2024 8:20 AM
39	to upkeep the visual history,especially main st.	6/22/2024 8:07 AM
40	Would like to see Port Kent Beach restored to her former beauty with Pine trees, clean beach and added kids play area & pavilion similar to Ausable Point. Also, a small concession or food truck area.	6/22/2024 7:33 AM
41	A great place to raise a family, with plenty of outdoor recreation available and some small shops and cafes in town	6/22/2024 7:22 AM
42	I would envision a variety of retail, restaurant and grocery store shopping for residents and visitors.	6/22/2024 7:01 AM
43	Made famous by borrowing from Ralph Nading Hill's "Sidewheeler Saga", James Shawnessy's "The D&H Railroad" (1968), the many books on Lake Champlain ferries, Battle of Plattsburgh, canal boating, Port Kent to Hopkinton Turnpike, and much, much more. William Randolph's "Hearse"... (His former yacht the "Oneida" where Tom Ince was shot. See "The Cat's Meow" movie with Kirsten Dunst.)	6/22/2024 5:59 AM
44	Preserve and cherish the heritage and history, build upon it to create a vibrant and attractive community	6/22/2024 12:56 AM
45	Continue with the small town feel having local businesses	6/22/2024 12:02 AM
46	There would be trees and plants everywhere and people would be able to walk anywhere they wanted without feeling like something is going to happen	6/21/2024 9:39 PM
47	Less stigma of living in Keeseville More trail opportunities like the Peru park trail for dogs and people More community activities/events	6/21/2024 9:07 PM
48	Safe bridges, food stores, successful restaurants.	6/21/2024 8:53 PM
49	More shopping amenities would be nice. Revamp downtown Keeseville...dont get rid of the nice old buildings but add some nice landscaping within the sidewalks and new lighting along the main road....liven it up and get businesses in there. Residents have to drive to Plattsburgh just to shop for groceries.	6/21/2024 8:30 PM
50	More agri- business, potentially a supermarket that would keep more money local. More restaurants for the same reason.	6/21/2024 8:20 PM

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51	A vibrant place to live and work with fully occupied storefronts and commercial spaces on Front and Main Streets. A variety of local businesses - bakeries, coffee shops, restaurants, small groceries, plus a strong arts scene.	6/21/2024 8:00 PM
52	Establish a sense of pride in living here	6/21/2024 5:59 PM
53	Safer, No Villa criminals	6/21/2024 4:22 PM
54	More places to eat, shops, community gatherings, etc.	6/21/2024 3:54 PM
55	A strong group of neighbors that celebrates our community often.	6/21/2024 3:14 PM
56	I would like to see a more thriving community. I would like to see empty buildings used/revitalized, empty land used for affordable housing and more business opportunities.	6/21/2024 2:43 PM
57	The old high school turned into elderly housing. The villa cleaned up. The old north country club cleaned up.	6/21/2024 2:41 PM
58	A bustling town similar to Lake Placid. A place where you are proud to raise your children who want to give back to their building community.	6/21/2024 2:21 PM
59	Utilizing the natural surroundings to bring people together.	6/21/2024 2:17 PM
60	The villa being cleaned up and decrease speeding in Port Kent.	6/21/2024 1:06 PM
61	More shops. Ice cream shop and people walking around downtown and small park for families to have picnics	6/21/2024 12:58 PM
62	options for groceries, clothes and hardware	6/21/2024 12:33 PM
63	A vibrant and quaint village with shops and restaurants that attract visitors and encourages them to stay.	6/21/2024 12:32 PM
64	Businesses and organizations working together to build an active community for activities and education and promote a positive image of Keeseville.	6/21/2024 12:21 PM
65	Hopefully, continuing to grow in a positive light as it is now.	6/21/2024 11:43 AM
66	To see the something done with the old ferry docks. Looks horrible, now that it's not running.	6/21/2024 11:24 AM
67	A place that people want to see all year round and not just the summer when everyone is camping. More restaurants but utilize buildings for sale and not too much new construction to preserve the nature	6/21/2024 10:47 AM
68	Downtown attractions	6/21/2024 10:30 AM
69	Safe	6/21/2024 9:48 AM
70	Like to see more local businesses.	6/21/2024 9:45 AM
71	Continue to revitalize downtown K'ville, make trails and waterfront destinations	6/21/2024 9:38 AM
72	An ideal place to live for outdoor recreation enthusiasts and a place that supports a lifestyle of farm to table self sustainability.	6/21/2024 9:37 AM
73	Reawakening of the Keeseville downtown and reinventing the school as a community center (Village of Dannemora is a great example). I am very impressed that the Elks Club is still operating when so many others have closed.	6/21/2024 9:37 AM
74	A revitalized small town	6/21/2024 9:36 AM
75	I think the beaches, Port Kent Beach specifically needs to be taken care of. Lots of people go there to enjoy the lake. A nice snack bar or small restaurant would be lovely. Now that the boats are gone, we need to take care the of the beach. I also think a playground or area for children would be ideal! Making it more like a state park for everyone to enjoy.	6/21/2024 9:29 AM
76	Family oriented, clean and convenient tiwn, with businesses and maybe a supermarket.	6/20/2024 9:12 PM
77	Increased development of downtown Keeseville	6/20/2024 9:01 PM
78	I would like to see more restaurants or taverns - preferably nicer ones that utilize local and/or high quality products. More community events like dance parties at the Grange or block parties!	6/20/2024 8:03 PM

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79	Better handle on drug users Factory dairy farm snatching up every available parcel of land. They need to update method of fertilizing fields. The shit-spraying needs to STOP. I believe there are methods of dispersing directly into the soil. Never thought I would need to consider moving from the area.	6/20/2024 6:21 PM
80	Full of fun activities	6/20/2024 4:56 PM
81	More business and community growth. More activities for kids	6/20/2024 4:40 PM
82	More alive. Need more functioning businesses. Things to do. A bowling alley would be great. There's nothing to do in this town.	6/20/2024 4:20 PM
83	Ferry service and train service restored	6/20/2024 3:32 PM
84	Improve the downtown business environment and do something with the wasted industrial park	6/20/2024 3:24 PM
85	A growth in businesss and utilizing the commerce park area. Getting the villa taken out so there is less crime and safer for the children	6/20/2024 2:46 PM
86	I'm not exactly sure, I would love to feel more of a sense of community but I feel like that's my own faults from being busy working and not getting out in the town.	6/20/2024 1:27 PM
87	Although growth is probably beneficial financially, I love the "flavor" of the area as is.	6/20/2024 1:02 PM
88	REMOVE THE VILLA	6/20/2024 11:20 AM
89	Restored housing, thriving restaurants, community events, crime and drug usage decreased.	6/20/2024 10:47 AM
90	The downtown with more boutique businesses. The North Country Club revitalize to some functioning business.	6/20/2024 10:32 AM
91	Restored historic bridges; improved hamlet with aesthetic streetscape and revitalized occupied historic buildings; Port Kent ferry dock repositioned for new succesful use; Port Kent beach made public; and a popular trail network developed on Trembleau Mountain.	6/20/2024 9:58 AM
92	Grocery store, same as we have now: library, coffee shop, pharmacy, downtown Keeseville is the nicest its been in a while . The veteran's memorial park, post office, and businesses are all great staples.	6/20/2024 8:47 AM
93	To create an exceptional quality of life that engages citizens and visitors, provides commercial and leisure amenities, promotes business and employment opportunities and excellent value to all taxpayers.	6/20/2024 8:39 AM
94	A revitalized down town area with parks and businesses in close proximity to each other.	6/20/2024 8:04 AM
95	Clean, family-friendly	6/20/2024 5:41 AM
96	I hope to see a livelier downtown scene - one that encapsulates more interest of ALL age groups (especially those in their 20s). Many folks who grow up in Keeseville feel inclined to move to Plattsburgh or other busier towns/cities.	6/20/2024 12:18 AM
97	More areas for walking trails for our aging population. Senior housing options.	6/19/2024 11:56 PM
98	Visible established growth: #1 - through residential and commercial beautification incentives, #2 - in community participation, pride, and spirit through events like the 2023 Christmas Parade and #1, #3 - in housing opportunities and new businesses, #4 - the driving bridge improved and functional, #5 - tourist and accommodation attractions.	6/19/2024 10:47 PM
99	Residents have ample access to local, healthy and affordable foods, rich arts and entertainment opportunities, health and wellness access, churches and local restaurants.	6/19/2024 10:11 PM
100	Still quiet, low (lower?) property taxes, with focus on rehab or removal of derelict properties.	6/19/2024 9:46 PM
101	Downtown business hub with more shopping, dining and parks(already happening!) with reducing situations which cause fear in people.	6/19/2024 9:43 PM
102	The increase in services and amenities in recent years has made Chesterfield the place that many families want to live.	6/19/2024 9:41 PM
103	More local residents filled with families, improved rental properties	6/19/2024 9:40 PM
104	Thriving local businesses, expanding recreation for youth and adults	6/19/2024 9:31 PM

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105	More affordable , DECENT housing, walking trails, more businesses downtown	6/19/2024 9:28 PM
106	Main Street with shops and food Brew pub in town Clean up the villa Small town charm with out the troublemakers	6/19/2024 9:20 PM
107	I love my town. This place has history that is literally pissed on. We need to make people proud to be from here, or people won't want to come here, and like all small towns with amazing history we will die. Elect people who care about us, get a good sheriff, be rid of the junkies and known pedophiles, clean the dog shit on front street and make it feel like home again.	6/19/2024 9:04 PM
108	Growth!	6/19/2024 9:03 PM
109	Revitalization of Small Business	6/19/2024 9:02 PM
110	To become a friendlier environment for families to walk about the community and enjoy all the great things our town has to offer including the history	6/19/2024 8:53 PM
111	To continue to grow with local business while also remaining rural	6/19/2024 8:48 PM
112	Cleaner and more respectful of nature and better downtown areas	6/19/2024 8:46 PM
113	More businesses brought to the town. The walking bridge repaired, maybe a park along the river that you can picnic at.	6/19/2024 8:31 PM
114	Support residential development, nothing will grow or maintain with out drawing more people into our community to support business and industry.	6/19/2024 8:31 PM
115	Increased community pride as to increase community involvement and maintenance of the town.	6/19/2024 8:25 PM
116	More things for kids to do	6/19/2024 8:18 PM
117	Offer more opportunities for youth during summer and on school breaks. Encourage highschool age to assist. More involved kids are the less likely they are to do drugs. Drugs is a huge issue in the community,	6/19/2024 8:17 PM
118	Beautify the run down properties	6/19/2024 8:17 PM
119	It's my opinion that more effort needs to be put into attracting more business to the vacant never used industrial park that's sat for over 20 years with absolutely nothing built on it. The town was sold a lake front property in Arizona when Gerry Morrow swindled the town into approving it. I also believe we need to look into paying the highway department a higher wage.	6/19/2024 8:16 PM
120	A thriving community with cultural events on regular basis. Young families moving here	6/19/2024 8:14 PM
121	Focus on preserving our historic downtown. A major problem facing our community is the community that we are attached to. The Villa in the town of AuSable has become a government promoted ghetto that is severely affecting quality of life in our tiny community. We can't absorb all of these transient people many of which have severe drug and criminal issues. It is the ugly elephant in the room that no one wants to address.	6/19/2024 8:13 PM
122	Quieter living environment, less poverty, rid of drug dealers	6/19/2024 8:12 PM
123	Growth with more businesses and keeping the community safe	6/19/2024 8:08 PM
124	Clean, downtown active with business. Activities to include community.	6/19/2024 8:07 PM
125	Safe community with activities for families and teens.	6/19/2024 8:06 PM
126	Hoping they can get a grocery store	6/19/2024 8:04 PM
127	Family friendly	6/19/2024 8:00 PM
128	I don't I'll be selling and leaving the water is not drinkable and we still have to pay \$160 for it and then \$110 to flush it!	6/19/2024 7:51 PM
129	a good restaurant and a grocery store	6/19/2024 7:49 PM
130	Because I dont yet own or live in Chesterfield, I dont feel I can answer	6/18/2024 7:54 AM
131	Grow the downtown, keep small community feel	6/17/2024 7:36 PM

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132	Strong central downtown with affordable housing and a grocery store	6/12/2024 3:26 PM
133	Destigmatized, communicative, safe	6/10/2024 10:17 PM
134	We need growth with business to come to our community so young families will stay. People will visit also	6/10/2024 6:16 PM
135	It would be nice to have it be a thriving community where there is an actual grocery store, events and new businesses opening up so we don't have to go to neighboring communities.	6/10/2024 3:24 PM
136	Develop the hamlet of Keeseville for visitors, and outside areas for desirable housing	6/10/2024 10:57 AM
137	Front street full of small businesses such as coffee shop bakery etc	6/4/2024 9:46 PM
138	Still having small town charm with same families represented . Not so many new people	6/3/2024 11:43 AM
139	Improve public areas for collective ownership in order to address littering and provide restrooms/seasonal drinking water access at Port Kent Beach and other public locations Friends of Pok O do a good job with this- also new water station at Heyworth Mason is an example of this improvement in town of Peru	6/2/2024 9:27 AM
140	A few hundred jobs get added which, I believe, would stabilize the community. Also, at all costs the Villa Motel has to be closed and demolished.	5/30/2024 11:49 AM
141	United - a sense of togetherness and care that helps the community thrive.	5/29/2024 6:49 PM
142	Revitalizing Keeseville with a grocery store, shops, dining establishments and essential services, while preserving the quaint small town Adirondack experience.	5/29/2024 12:34 PM
143	The continued growth in the Town to provide essential services for the communities such as a grocery store, maintain or expand hardware store, drug store, etc.	5/29/2024 12:31 PM
144	No longer the Villa Hotel and all that mess there	5/28/2024 4:00 PM
145	Has a grocery store and a decent housing complex	5/28/2024 12:33 PM
146	i would like to see port kent beach maintained/ cleaned , restore ferry service to Burlington and Amtrack to offer stand by service at the Port Kent station during the summer season	5/24/2024 6:05 PM
147	Building local business and improving lakefront opportunities for locals and tourism	5/23/2024 2:29 PM
148	Get some state grants to upgrade low income housing where the motels were and visitor impressions are low.	5/23/2024 1:52 PM
149	More restaurants and shopping	5/23/2024 12:13 PM
150	Maintain rural charm. Upgrade downtown Keeseville.	5/23/2024 11:59 AM
151	Reduced taxes, allowing for continuing residency.	5/23/2024 10:37 AM
152	Clean up the trashy motels	5/21/2024 8:55 PM
153	Developing of the Keeseville downtown area and the updating of infrastructure to meet today's growing requirements	5/21/2024 9:47 AM
154	Improved zoning laws , enforce the laws you do have. entice a grocery store to town	5/20/2024 7:46 PM
155	The town of Chesterfield is an idyllic year-round community with a vibrant downtown centered on the riverfront. It's beaches mountains Farms breweries, and Vineyards are accessible on safe, family, friendly biking and walking lanes and trails. The community embraces its youth and offers sports programs along with sailing and rockclimbing programs. Farm to table restaurants, allow residence and visitors are like to taste the Adirondacks.	5/20/2024 3:41 PM
156	more stores, shopping, small meat market, veggie stand	5/20/2024 10:05 AM
157	The town needs to stay small and not develop into a sprawl of a city. The ag districts need to stay ag districts. I do not want housing developments sprawling out into the countryside and want the Villa riff-raff gone.	5/20/2024 9:28 AM
158	Attractions providing wants/needs for tourists which also provide jobs for residents	5/20/2024 5:07 AM
159	More business in downtown Keeseville	5/19/2024 9:43 PM

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160	Thriving downtown, cultural opportunities, community activities	5/19/2024 9:25 PM
161	Modernize the amenities and improve the commercial opportunities both for residents and tourists	5/19/2024 8:37 PM
162	a great place live and recreate, in an involved community, revitalizing its businesses and spaces	5/19/2024 4:58 PM
163	Small business successes, still rural, increased safety for all, attention to the traditions of family and neighbors, increased income/business/living opportunity for residents	5/18/2024 9:18 AM
164	Would Def have to say , would like to see Alicia Fuller as Mayor	5/17/2024 5:55 PM
165	stay the way it is. keep it rural. keep it our secret. my family has been here over 100 years. there has very very little change. keep it that way!	5/17/2024 7:44 AM
166	MORE BUSINESSES	5/16/2024 8:48 PM
167	Grocery store in Keeseville,	5/16/2024 5:37 PM
168	Blooming into a nice community on the rise. Desirable place to live and vacation for both locals and out of towners	5/16/2024 11:38 AM
169	New building needs to stop in Port Kent. Growth is not needed. Town itself needs to catch up with the century.	5/16/2024 10:59 AM
170	Thriving downtown-natural areas remaining	5/16/2024 9:58 AM
171	Keep the best of what the small town has to offer and sense of community. Please don't let outsiders moving in ruin the peace and quiet we have enjoyed for many years.	5/16/2024 9:51 AM
172	Sustainable growth for housing and job opportunities for youth in the area	5/16/2024 9:30 AM
173	Improved housing opportunities, stronger enforcement of housing condition and improved retail business options.	5/15/2024 6:51 PM
174	A community who mutually supports one anothers lifestyles and the natural world surrounding us.	5/15/2024 10:25 AM
175	Quiet	5/15/2024 10:07 AM
176	To remain quiet and not over populated	5/15/2024 10:00 AM
177	Outdoor tourist destination	5/15/2024 9:26 AM
178	A quiet place to bring families with children to enjoy the outdoors	5/14/2024 5:01 PM
179	More open businesses ,Historic bridges repaired	5/14/2024 6:49 AM
180	Hopefully, to see more businesses to fill the empty stores and to clean up the town as a lot of places are eyesores	5/13/2024 9:57 PM
181	A hub to destinations. Attractions for people who are on there way to larger destinations. A revitalized downtown that will make people want to stop.	5/13/2024 8:46 PM
182	Beautiful rural community on lake champlain	5/13/2024 7:11 PM
183	Affordable	5/13/2024 6:58 PM
184	I would love to see it the way it use to be. Our town use to have parades with floats that kids would get together and build, we had a grocery store and a 5&10. We were a small town and came together as one without all of the drugs and convicts we have now.	5/13/2024 4:15 PM
185	Better dining opportunities, less drugs, more sense of community, support of local businesses, more of a community common space.	5/13/2024 4:06 PM
186	Growth in business and town clean up!	5/13/2024 4:04 PM
187	A vibrant downtown	5/13/2024 7:17 AM
188	Increase the wild land by buying it or planting free trees. Less structures and more wild land.	5/12/2024 8:20 PM
189	A TOWN THAT VALUES ITS NATURAL AND HUMAN ASSETS BY ACTIVELY PURSUING	5/12/2024 7:50 PM

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GRANTS AND FUNDING THAT KEEPS TAXES LOW, MAINTAINS INFRASTRUCTURE AND IMPROVES THE COMMUNITY

190	Revitalize downtown area with more shops, a market, coffee shop, new eateries, a little movie theatre (like McMinnamins, Bend, OR) a good restaurant, sporting goods store, yoga/ massage store; a craft center.	5/12/2024 12:37 PM
191	Keeseville needs food cart hubs and plazas. I live in a town that has many of these places. Local food truck operators rent space and the town provides a plaza area for seating and gathering. These places thrive. People like to support small businesses and have a variety of food options. Often these places have opportunities for local micro brews or growler fill up stations. These places allow for parents to enjoy the company of other adults while kids are contained within a friendly and playful atmosphere. Ideas and plans are exchanged and locals and tourist can find info on local town amenities and events. Often food carts rotate in so there is a variety of options. This also brings outside business minded People to the area. I had hoped the old supermarket site would have been turned into this. Sadly a bank now occupies the central part of downtown. Missed opportunity. No one gathers at a bank. A total waste of prime real estate. Also please lower taxes and minimize air bnb rentals. Though they bring in tourists they destroy the neighborhood feel that the last few remaining residents along the lake enjoy.	5/12/2024 12:09 PM
192	I would love to see education come to our community, a college satellite campus for example, a local grocery store, and clean water oh gosh clean water of Lake Champlain without having to check daily for blue green algae.	5/11/2024 8:48 PM
193	Improvement of downtown Keeseville	5/11/2024 6:34 PM
194	More homeowner (must have cheaper taxes) and fewer drug users	5/10/2024 5:40 PM
195	Thriving with a downtown community attracting new community members and also growing farms and small businesses.	5/10/2024 3:03 PM
196	Id like to see a more vibrant down town area..perhaps a place to sit and drink a cup of coffee with friends indoors or outdoors, and shops in the area that would attract visitors to our town	5/9/2024 5:43 PM
197	Enhance renovate historic structures, reduce blight & litter.	5/9/2024 7:51 AM
198	Great more business to shop locally in.	5/8/2024 10:04 PM
199	The hamlet of Keeseville consisting of a more densely populated mixed used community with small shops and other services supporting the area residents.	5/8/2024 2:49 PM
200	Family friendly affordable housing community building youth opportunities	5/7/2024 11:14 PM
201	Utilizing all the beauty and history to bring in more tourism to support our area, less Villa type places.	5/7/2024 10:59 PM
202	Need to develop downtown Keeseville, port Kent ferry dock/beach, port Douglass beach.	5/7/2024 9:06 PM
203	As a strikingly attractive, well-maintained historical hub providing convenient access to the Adirondack mountains to the west and Lake Champlain to the east.	5/7/2024 4:42 PM
204	Unsure	5/7/2024 2:38 PM
205	Zoning for collapsing and undesirable buildings.	5/7/2024 1:07 PM
206	A quaint welcoming destination for all.	5/7/2024 10:58 AM
207	Unfortunately not much better then it is now	5/7/2024 9:02 AM
208	mixed use small businesses; safe, affordable housing for families & seniors, restored historic district including bridges, cultural/educational offerings	5/7/2024 7:52 AM
209	A nice clean and quiet area with good small businesses providing essential services and entertainment.	5/7/2024 12:38 AM
210	The industrial park needs to be utilized. It might be better for the town to sell the property to a developer for housing.	5/6/2024 8:54 PM
211	To develop the wonderful resources that are available: lake, space for restaurant, small shops etc. afford land.	5/6/2024 8:28 PM

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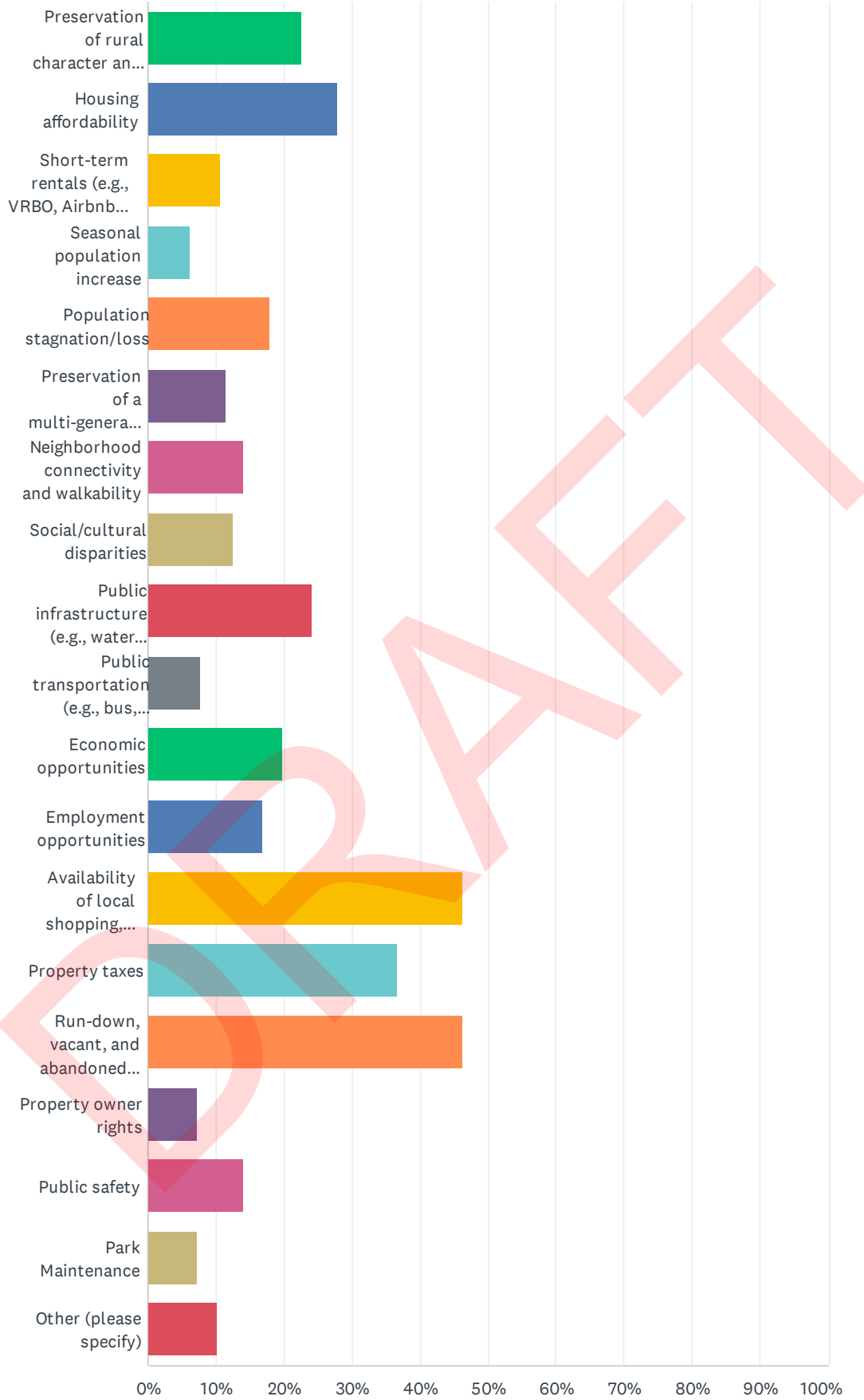
212	A vibrant and bustling community that people from all over visit.	5/6/2024 7:46 PM
213	A town that is safe for everyone	5/6/2024 4:26 PM
214	More local stores.	5/6/2024 2:20 PM
215	A safe bedroom community with adequate services, local restaurants & businesses.	5/6/2024 11:47 AM
216	would like to see a Supermarket return to Keeseville. More Art venues.	5/6/2024 9:38 AM
217	with the current crop of town officials it will continue to degrade and require more taxes to budget what should be better managed	5/6/2024 7:35 AM
218	A thriving downtown, full of shops. All recreational facilities fully running. Services for retirees. Infrastructure well maintained and up to date.	5/5/2024 11:17 AM
219	Vibrant community with lots of natural attractions and great food	5/5/2024 10:42 AM
220	To remain peaceful as it was without tourists, without stop signs on every corner and without speed bumps. Please stop listening to the whiners as they do not represent the majority. I feel you as a town need to enforce animal control with the dogs and chickens!	5/5/2024 7:45 AM
221	Hope to see less homes in a state of disrepair. Better marketing as a tourist destination	5/4/2024 7:25 PM
222	More of a town center with decent grocery store	5/4/2024 4:32 PM
223	Grocery store, home mail delivery in Port Kent, the Villa being cleaned up, bowling lanes being rebuilt, more things for the kids to do	5/4/2024 3:19 PM
224	The town has changed for the worse. No respect anymore for property, noise, animals. I foresee a more run down town.	5/4/2024 11:58 AM
225	Chesterfield becomes a vibrant town noted for attractive housing and employment options, offering a quality experience for residents and visitors.	5/4/2024 10:42 AM
226	Broadband Internet and a vibrant downtown	5/3/2024 2:36 PM
227	Family friendly and safe	5/3/2024 2:35 PM
228	A vibrant downtown where folks can gather, available information and resources for folks visiting the area. A sense of community that involves working together with long-time residents and seasonal or transient folks. Housing options - affordable and short-term.	5/3/2024 10:14 AM
229	Less empty/abandoned buildings more productive space	5/2/2024 9:32 PM
230	A busy, vibrant community	5/2/2024 5:20 PM
231	Clean up properties, open a grocery store	5/2/2024 6:50 AM
232	Balanced between year-round residents' needs and seasonal residents/tourists.	5/1/2024 1:50 PM
233	Visually appealing to visitors, with enough to do that they stop and stay for a day instead of just passing through.	5/1/2024 10:01 AM
234	Attention paid to keeping it beautiful. Current population level maintained. Encouragement of visual and performing arts. Historic buildings and bridges preserved.	5/1/2024 10:01 AM
235	A more aesthetic Keeseville hamlet with restored bridges; less abandoned or run-down homes and trailers; and, an increased number of year round young families.	5/1/2024 8:51 AM
236	Revitalizing the center of the former village	5/1/2024 7:34 AM
237	Historic buildings repurposed for housing, community and recreation, tourism. We have a radio station and better internet.	4/30/2024 9:25 PM
238	Housing/taxes affordable Business /employment	4/30/2024 9:06 PM
239	Operating businesses in the industrial park. Multiple housing projects being built for a variety of income brackets. Utilizing the empty building along front street	4/30/2024 6:59 PM
240	No more trump explicative banners	4/30/2024 3:17 PM
241	More businesses in town	4/30/2024 3:01 PM

Q14 What challenges/concerns are currently facing the Town of Chesterfield or will likely in the near future? Please select three (3):

Answered: 262 Skipped: 62

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Preservation of rural character and farmland	22.52%	59
Housing affordability	27.86%	73
Short-term rentals (e.g., VRBO, Airbnb, etc.)	10.69%	28
Seasonal population increase	6.11%	16
Population stagnation/loss	17.94%	47
Preservation of a multi-generational community	11.45%	30
Neighborhood connectivity and walkability	14.12%	37
Social/cultural disparities	12.60%	33
Public infrastructure (e.g., water, sewer, roads, etc.)	24.05%	63
Public transportation (e.g., bus, train, etc.)	7.63%	20
Economic opportunities	19.85%	52
Employment opportunities	16.79%	44
Availability of local shopping, restaurants, and amenities	46.18%	121
Property taxes	36.64%	96
Run-down, vacant, and abandoned properties	46.18%	121
Property owner rights	7.25%	19
Public safety	14.12%	37
Park Maintenance	7.25%	19
Other (please specify)	10.31%	27
Total Respondents: 262		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Debt attached to water bill.	6/24/2024 9:28 PM
2	The lack of zoning enforcement	6/23/2024 7:56 PM
3	I was looking at purchasing a home in town but chose my current address due to the run down nature that the town has come to be in	6/23/2024 12:14 AM
4	Garbage that is being thrown out on the roads and over the banks.	6/22/2024 8:39 PM
5	Fix the bridges, great job you got money for the one that doesn't need fixing	6/22/2024 5:28 PM
6	Learning or remembering what took place here a little over one hundred years ago to make this place so powerful a legacy of the Empire State.	6/22/2024 5:59 AM
7	The Villa housing former drug addicts and felons	6/21/2024 3:54 PM
8	Doing something with the old ferry docks on port Kent beach	6/21/2024 11:24 AM
9	Drug addiction	6/21/2024 9:36 AM
10	The Villa	6/20/2024 10:32 AM
11	Lack of all of the above	6/19/2024 10:47 PM
12	Keeseville continues to be seen as nothing more than the villa by people in surrounding	6/19/2024 9:31 PM

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	communities	
13	Clean clean clean! We literally just need to clean the clutter. If we can't restore it and preserve it then we should demolish and build something that matters now. Make people clean up after there dogs, stop all the illegal dumping that goes on all over this town and clean up the drugs and creeps while we are at it.	6/19/2024 9:04 PM
14	New dog shelter	6/19/2024 8:46 PM
15	unable to answer	6/18/2024 7:54 AM
16	Transient populations (eg the Villa)	6/2/2024 9:27 AM
17	Mace Chasm road and Port Douglas intersection. Extremely dangerous and needs to be addressed with the County.	5/29/2024 6:49 PM
18	Public Lake access at Port Kent	5/23/2024 1:52 PM
19	Water cleanliness, blue green algae,	5/11/2024 8:48 PM
20	Limited downtown resources, shops	5/11/2024 6:34 PM
21	The villa causing a drug problem	5/10/2024 3:00 PM
22	Beach parking and maintenance.	5/7/2024 10:58 AM
23	The negative element within the Villa Motel	5/6/2024 11:47 AM
24	The manure spraying of fields is a problem. The mega farm is buying up every available plot of land. Newer tech could be used so air quality is not adversely affected. I believe material could be put directly into soil rather than being sprayed.il	5/5/2024 7:11 AM
25	Tolerance of blatant zoning code violations	5/4/2024 10:42 AM
26	Broadband Internet or any Internet	5/3/2024 2:36 PM
27	clean up properties	5/2/2024 6:50 AM

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Q15 What are three (3) priorities the Town of Chesterfield should focus on for the future improvement of the Town?

Answered: 235 Skipped: 89

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	1. Downtown revitalization including advertising to promote Chesterfield. 2. Update motels, restaurants, and other businesses so they are attractive. 3. Expand outdoor recreation opportunities on a network of hiking trails that go to attractive areas and go from town to town to link communities.	6/30/2024 9:54 PM
2	Economic growth, small business sustainability, attracting more people to the area	6/29/2024 9:30 PM
3	1) Clean, reliable water infrastructure. 2) Safe, well designed spaces for outdoor recreation for kids 3) Housing upgrades and an increase in / support for small, affordable alternative types of housing for the younger generations.	6/28/2024 1:33 PM
4	Growth Public Safety Tourism	6/27/2024 8:58 AM
5	Infrastructure; Local Businesses; Residential Neighborhoods	6/26/2024 2:21 PM
6	Getting funding for those who desperately need repairs but cannot afford them.	6/24/2024 10:45 PM
7	Public safety. Get rid of the Villa. Reinstate a curfew.	6/24/2024 10:36 PM
8	Eliminating debt attached to water bill. Swim at own risk, PD beach- open and maintained Paint and improve the main st business. Entice new businesses	6/24/2024 9:28 PM
9	More businesses downtown, restoring historic buildings/bridges, family friendly activities/places	6/24/2024 9:11 PM
10	Roads clean dock	6/24/2024 6:09 PM
11	Recreation Community events Housing	6/24/2024 8:58 AM
12	Business Bridges Taxes	6/24/2024 8:04 AM
13	Less division of people with economic differences..maybe a sliding tax scale..equal respect given to all citizens. Tax breaks and incentives for new businesses	6/23/2024 11:02 PM
14	Grocery store Bike paths/lanes Rundown buildings and homes	6/23/2024 8:21 PM
15	Sense of community	6/23/2024 7:57 PM
16	Enforcing the zoning laws that are already in place. Making the town more attractive by addressing street litter, run down properties both residential and commercial. Promote a better sense of community by helping those organizations and individuals that are trying to better the esthetic and community spirit of Chesterfield.	6/23/2024 7:56 PM
17	break up the Davidson Landlord monopoly, making port Douglas road and soper rd safer for bikes and pedestrians, clean up the villas	6/23/2024 4:47 PM
18	The Villa welfare district	6/23/2024 9:58 AM
19	a fair tax assessment , Lake Champlain condition, encourage small business	6/23/2024 7:47 AM
20	Grocery store Park improvement 4 way stop port Douglas/ mace chasm	6/23/2024 7:21 AM
21	Getting a grocery store , Cleaning up the derelict buildings . Figure out some sort of plan for the motels in disrepair.	6/23/2024 12:14 AM
22	Bus routes to Plattsburgh which will generate opportunity for jobs for more of the less fortunate people in our community	6/22/2024 11:27 PM
23	Infrastructure, taxes, community involvement	6/22/2024 11:22 PM

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24	Clean up the Villa, businesses and follow through for people making theirs surrounding area looking like a dump.	6/22/2024 8:39 PM
25	Enforcing the speed limit through town and populated areas. Rain down houses, and paving the roads.	6/22/2024 6:49 PM
26	Housing, enforcement of zoning regulations, attract/incentivize more local businesses	6/22/2024 6:26 PM
27	Stop light at Front & Main St. Surprised no one died yet. Put the power lines downtown underground. Make Port Kent, Port Douglas & Auger Pond pay all the taxes	6/22/2024 5:28 PM
28	1. Assistance by grants for development 2. More cameras in the town. 3. Additional parking.	6/22/2024 3:11 PM
29	Motels & surrounding area in Keeseville. Preserving & running Port Douglas & Port Kent Beaches Attracting successful businesses into downtown Keeseville.	6/22/2024 2:23 PM
30	Develop the Commerce Park. Pave the residential streets in Keeseville. Property taxes are too high and are based on a fictitious property value	6/22/2024 2:08 PM
31	disparity	6/22/2024 11:52 AM
32	1. Remediation of vacant, run down properties 2. Control of taxes 3. support of community events	6/22/2024 11:32 AM
33	What to do with the Lake Champlain water front in Port Kent. Economic opportunities in the town.	6/22/2024 10:28 AM
34	The economy of the entire area needs to be better suited to year-round/permanent residents. The current economy is now based on seasonal residents and second-homeowners. The gentrification of the area disgusts me.	6/22/2024 10:20 AM
35	Youth, youth, youth!	6/22/2024 10:14 AM
36	Housing. Revitalize downtown. Bridges	6/22/2024 9:44 AM
37	Grocery store in town, water and septic,	6/22/2024 8:28 AM
38	Have a grocery store. Lower property assessments Stop taxing businesses out of business	6/22/2024 8:20 AM
39	affordable housing that will help young families, try to bring in businesses that will hire locally continuing keeping that small town feeling	6/22/2024 8:07 AM
40	Access to transportation by road or rail, Grocery Store in Keeseville and Restoration of Port Kent Beach.	6/22/2024 7:33 AM
41	Affordable (but not run down) housing, more outdoor trails and more support for small businesses	6/22/2024 7:22 AM
42	More diverse restaurants, a grocery store and repairing the bridge that connects river and AuSable street.	6/22/2024 7:01 AM
43	Global Village connectivity, the remote character of some lovely places to live, local recreational activities like few other locales, an auto-train bullet train from the airport to Lake Placid (LOL!), dredging the lake for larger ships to visit Plattsburgh and Burlington docks from Europe and the world non-stop, Bullet train between Montreal, Albany, NYC, Washington.	6/22/2024 5:59 AM
44	Preserve and restore historic character. Clean up/remove run down areas. Encourage community and build local businesses	6/22/2024 12:56 AM
45	Making sure there is employment and education for residents,	6/22/2024 12:02 AM
46	Improving sidewalks by planting trees and flowers. Add more activities to do downtown for everyone and have more events. To make sure the town is safe from bad people	6/21/2024 9:39 PM
47	Bridges, Food stores, Keeping safe small town atmosphere.	6/21/2024 8:53 PM
48	Market Keeseville to attract businesses with tax incentives, market Keeseville to attract tourists, and update main street in Keeseville with lighting and landscaping .	6/21/2024 8:30 PM
49	Bringing more business to the area.. attracting families to the area. Keep taxes controlled	6/21/2024 8:20 PM
50	Investing in its historic buildings. Restoring the bridges (swing and upper) over the Ausable.	6/21/2024 8:00 PM

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	Supporting small business and working closely with the town of Ausable on all of the above.	
51	Better water. Community events using already owned facilities. Support local artisans	6/21/2024 5:59 PM
52	Less criminal housing, affordable grocery store, something for kids to do.	6/21/2024 4:22 PM
53	Clean up run down places and abandoned places. Clean up felons and sex offenders.	6/21/2024 3:54 PM
54	Adding a grocery store. A stand alone social center with future generations and children in mind not the local bar establishments. Clean up of vacant areas.	6/21/2024 3:14 PM
55	Residential Property improvement, empty lot utilization, business attraction	6/21/2024 2:43 PM
56	Clean up the villa and abandoned businesses. Turn the old high school into something useful like elderly housing apartments or small businesses	6/21/2024 2:41 PM
57	Support local businesses, clean up downtown area, grocery store.	6/21/2024 2:21 PM
58	Increase year-round employment opportunities centered around Keeseville. Find ways of getting tourists / summer people / recreational users to spend more time and money in Port Kent and Keeseville after using our great recreational areas (Poke-O, Champlain, Ausable Chasm, etc). Clean up the Villa Motel so that Rt 9 can be a tourist attraction again, not a crack den.	6/21/2024 2:17 PM
59	Speeding in Port Kent. It has become dangerous on Lake Street with how fast cars go.	6/21/2024 1:06 PM
60	Businesses. Restaurant and not losing the quaintness of the community	6/21/2024 12:58 PM
61	business growth, infrastructure, and housing	6/21/2024 12:33 PM
62	Attract businesses, improve and maintain properties, host events	6/21/2024 12:32 PM
63	Attracting businesses Infrastructure Positive image	6/21/2024 12:21 PM
64	Housing, employment and local business development.	6/21/2024 11:43 AM
65	The port Kent beach. Port Kent ferry docks. Community activities.	6/21/2024 11:24 AM
66	Invest in opportunities for enticing young families into the area, most people with kids want to live closer to Peru and Plattsburgh with more to do and easier access, make Chesterfield a place where families want to be and not need to be because they can't afford anywhere else and still travel to spend their time and money elsewhere.	6/21/2024 10:47 AM
67	Downtown attractiveness, keeping superfarms out and infrastructure	6/21/2024 10:30 AM
68	Business growth, transportation and help for senior citizens	6/21/2024 9:56 AM
69	Crime, local businesses, vacant property	6/21/2024 9:48 AM
70	Doing something with old steel bridge. Lower taxes so business will come in. Internet for whole town not just villages.	6/21/2024 9:45 AM
71	Quality of community activities, with focus on outdoor/affordable entertainment and maintenance of current parks	6/21/2024 9:38 AM
72	1. The Port Kent Beach and the awful conditions LCT has left our most pristine lake front in. 2. The removal of the Villa, Criminals, Junkies, and Pedophiles, destroying our community. 3. Infrastructure revitalization and maintenance on all levels. From parks, to roads, to Utilities.	6/21/2024 9:37 AM
73	Community Center Support local businesses Promote as a destination	6/21/2024 9:37 AM
74	Preserving what we have and building it up so it can be enjoyed! The beauty of the area is like NO OTHER. So to see the ferry docks and the building in such disrepair is extremely disappointing and frankly an eye sore. If we take care of it and build it back up, people will come!	6/21/2024 9:29 AM
75	A traffic light to replace the 4-way flashing lights on Front St.	6/20/2024 9:12 PM
76	encouraging development of downtown, repair or removal of rundown and abandoned properties and attracting a more diverse population	6/20/2024 9:01 PM
77	-making housing for young people more affordable -providing events and businesses to make living in keeseville more appealing -relocating the folks in the motels and turning the motels	6/20/2024 8:03 PM

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	back into motels!	
78	Video town meetings. Community needs easier access to proceedings. Surrounding towns set a good example. Mace Chasm area agriculture is wonderful. Air & water quality need protecting from factory dairy farming.	6/20/2024 6:21 PM
79	Fix the roads, more job opportunities for young teens, more restaurants	6/20/2024 4:56 PM
80	Road signage. Particularly at the 4-way on mace chasm and Douglass. Maintaining roads. Getting rid of eye sores in town. There are many.	6/20/2024 4:20 PM
81	Ferry service, train service, deal with abandoned or vacan buildings	6/20/2024 3:32 PM
82	Business infrastructure and future	6/20/2024 3:24 PM
83	1. Safety 2. Economic growth through jobs and new businesses 3. Community involvement	6/20/2024 2:46 PM
84	Affordability especially with all this inflation lately no one can afford anything... Connection saying connected with community members and their thoughts and opinions. The more brains the better. Problem solving there is always a solution to every problem.	6/20/2024 1:27 PM
85	(Keep doing a great job with the road services!). Stay on top of zoning violations. (Eg the two homes next to Brad Brinton's house on second st). JC Park and the park in Port Kent are big assets. Please try to provide for them. Cintinue with the great communication Bruce has established on Facebook!! You're doing a good job, Everyone!	6/20/2024 1:02 PM
86	Lower property tax, remove villa, clean up town	6/20/2024 11:20 AM
87	Downtown Revitalization of run down buildings, incentivize property up keep, incentivize small business.	6/20/2024 10:47 AM
88	Supporting local businesses, Making sure the Villa and other areas are safe, and maintaining public services	6/20/2024 10:32 AM
89	hamlet revitalization, Port Douglass tank farm site cleaned up; adaptive use of ferry dock property.	6/20/2024 9:58 AM
90	Grocery store, better paved roads, and better gas prices	6/20/2024 8:47 AM
91	Community involvement and communication Keep taxes low Grocery store	6/20/2024 8:39 AM
92	Affordable housing Downtown revitalization Enticing businesses to operate in the town to increase the number of high paying jobs.	6/20/2024 8:04 AM
93	Keeping businesses in town Park expansion More community activities	6/20/2024 5:41 AM
94	Resources for those suffering with mental illness and addiction. A grocery store. A shopping center (retail, clothing, etc.)	6/20/2024 12:18 AM
95	Holiday decorations for downtown. Road maintenance. Family events.	6/19/2024 11:56 PM
96	RESIDENTIAL & BUSINESS LIVELIHOOD mental, physical, aesthetical	6/19/2024 10:47 PM
97	food security, education and local businesses	6/19/2024 10:11 PM
98	Rehab of existing housing stock, zoning enforcement (junkyard control), no additional trailer parks.	6/19/2024 9:46 PM
99	Building improvements, venues for people to shop , eat and play, and a way to make people aware of all the events, sights, activities and venues in the area	6/19/2024 9:43 PM
100	1. Supporting small businesses -- both creation of new ones and ensuring current ones stay and thrive. 2. Capitalize on natural resources that can bring people to Chesterfield, such as Port Kent Beach and local trails and waterways. 3. Assist homeowners in accessing programs that will help with affordable maintenance or upgrades needed in their houses. This will help not only older residents maintain their homes, but also encourage families who are worried about the cost of ownership to more strongly consider buying a home here.	6/19/2024 9:41 PM
101	Clean up low income properties	6/19/2024 9:40 PM
102	supporting local businesses, having it become more of a destination people from other communities want to visit, making a name for itself outside of the town where the villa is	6/19/2024 9:31 PM

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103	Revitalize downtown Stabilizing taxes Safety with in town	6/19/2024 9:20 PM
104	1. Would love to see a place like Elmore SPCA in keeseville 2. I think that the town needs to focus on improving parks and outdoor places for people of all ages to enjoy 3. Would also love to see more local activities like farmers markets	6/19/2024 9:06 PM
105	Grocery store, clean river, save bridges!!!	6/19/2024 9:04 PM
106	Taxes, better the water system, more recreational areas for all seasons	6/19/2024 9:03 PM
107	Make the area attractive for small businesses and restaurants. Code enforcement for vacant/abandoned properties. Infrastructure upgrades.	6/19/2024 9:02 PM
108	Improvements on sidewalks around town to make different areas easier to access when walking with young children and strollers, insuring our water and sewer departments are prepared for when the old lines inevitably fail due to age and wear or even proactively start upgrading, we need to bring in shops to our area we are in desperate need of a grocery store in our community	6/19/2024 8:53 PM
109	Have more community events that bring people together, maintain some houses only for primary living rather than vacation homes (especially by the lake and other "nicer" areas), make it affordable to run a business in some vacant buildings	6/19/2024 8:48 PM
110	New dog shelter, restoration of bridges, and more sidewalks	6/19/2024 8:46 PM
111	More small business, updating the beautiful buildings, and buying the abandoned houses should be affordable for first time home buyers.	6/19/2024 8:31 PM
112	Helping maintain a lower cost of living. (Taxes and utilities) Finding and using grants for projects (water upgrades, road maintenance) Protect the history of the area (save or bridges project)	6/19/2024 8:31 PM
113	1.-increased monitoring of run down properties 2.-increasing economic opportunities as to attract more businesses/employment opportunities 3.-increased community public events as to attract more people to the town and decrease stigma associated with the town	6/19/2024 8:25 PM
114	Grocery store Affordable housing Affordable taxes, water, sewer	6/19/2024 8:18 PM
115	Focus on the kids, followed by economic concerns. Are businesses able to open and if not what is stopping them? Ability to access these businesses, followed by structural issues, conditions of roads, bridges and old or abandoned buildings	6/19/2024 8:17 PM
116	clean up run down properties add more shopping enforce codes	6/19/2024 8:17 PM
117	Employment opportunities and keeping land and school taxes down as well as some water system improvements	6/19/2024 8:16 PM
118	Cleaning up properties More opportunities for young people Building a closer community	6/19/2024 8:14 PM
119	Infrastructure including (our historic bridges), business to Commerce Park, continuing with fantastic community events like our field days and Holiday parade. Encourage a town wide yard sale to draw in out of towners.	6/19/2024 8:13 PM
120	Getting rid of run down properties, more oversight and taxes on short term rentals, upkeep of roads/parks.	6/19/2024 8:12 PM
121	Keeping Taxes low as possible Public safety Outdoor facilities for kids to be active	6/19/2024 8:08 PM
122	Make it more safe Limit criminal population at the villa Create opportunities to have families come to and stay in the town.	6/19/2024 8:06 PM
123	Getting downtown bustling again with all storefronts full. Also a grocery store is needed.	6/19/2024 8:04 PM
124	Safety, cleaning up run down buildings, family friendly activities/places	6/19/2024 8:00 PM
125	Keeping taxes down, the water!., and something to keep the kids out of trouble!	6/19/2024 7:51 PM
126	housing, taxes and crime/drugs	6/18/2024 7:54 AM
127	Downtown growth Regulation of VRBO Minimize assessment increases...property tax increases.	6/17/2024 7:36 PM

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128	Parking lines on front street, removal of old Agway building behind the Hope Church, secure a grocery store	6/12/2024 3:26 PM
129	Housing, stabilize taxes, gentrification	6/10/2024 10:17 PM
130	Economic development Filling the industrial park Home owners pride in their property Expanding Jaycee Park	6/10/2024 6:16 PM
131	Grocery store, community events and keeping the community free of bums, convicts, and drug users.	6/10/2024 3:24 PM
132	parking issues for downtown	6/10/2024 10:57 AM
133	To make the entrances into town more appealing. Community events such as farmer markets vender days	6/4/2024 9:46 PM
134	business, housing , agricultural nature	6/3/2024 11:43 AM
135	Public space improvements- push DEC to establish trail at Trembleau mountain ? Figure out Port Kent beach plan start with sampling/ monitoring usage Coordinate with cyclists to improve road surfaces for safety- cleaning/sweeping roads earlier in the spring, watch for cyclists signage, providing established seasonal port a potty locations	6/2/2024 9:27 AM
136	Economic development (jobs), Poke-O hikers and Ausable Chasm visitors etc should have good choices for places to eat and show (economic development opportunities) remove blight like the Villa Motel.	5/30/2024 11:49 AM
137	The intersection of Port Douglas road and Mace Chasm road, someone is going to end up dead. Non-locals do not stop at the stop sign. I've witnessed this many times. Something needs to be done about this. JC Park could use a larger area for children, since going to the elementary school is frowned upon. The music downtown is a great opportunity to bring more moral to the community, could be upped with some cement seating made or something to make it better.	5/29/2024 6:49 PM
138	Maintain affordability for people to live and own property here. Redevelopment of Keeseville to attract new businesses and economic development to the area. Regulate short term rental properties, ie., motels, vrbo's, air bnb's, etc.	5/29/2024 12:34 PM
139	Affordability of property owners to live/maintain homes in the town. Continue to encourage business growth. Regulation of short term rental properties.	5/29/2024 12:31 PM
140	-Cleaning up the run down areas. -Regulating short term rentals -Supporting local businesses -	5/28/2024 4:00 PM
141	More local businesses, fairer property tax system that makes it possible for seniors to remain in their homes and clean up of vacant properties	5/28/2024 12:33 PM
142	Taxes invest into our small towns "Keeseville" Transportation	5/24/2024 6:05 PM
143	Lakefront opportunities for locals/community, cleaning up bedraggled/run-down areas particularly along main access/popular tourist roads, community identity/community building	5/23/2024 2:29 PM
144	1. Revitalize Main Street to draw visitors 2. Has the town considered hiring a grant writer? 3. Can the town mandate the removal of junk in front of the housing units?	5/23/2024 1:52 PM
145	Improving shopping and educational opportunities	5/23/2024 12:13 PM
146	1. Lower property taxes. 2. Encourage dining and business opportunity. 3. Increase public safety/police presence.	5/23/2024 11:59 AM
147	Pickleball courts. Bike and pedestrian lane on Trembleau Road. Lower taxes.	5/23/2024 10:37 AM
148	Get rid of the riffraff	5/21/2024 8:55 PM
149	Infrastructure, cleaning up rundown buildings and lands, keeping and recruiting new businesses	5/21/2024 9:47 AM
150	Zoning, better access to groceries, clean up burned/abandoned properties	5/20/2024 7:46 PM
151	1. Focus on revitalizing the downtown by turning attention toward the river (businesses with decks off the back, walking loop over bridges, etc.) 2. Incubate main street businesses and especially restaurants, coffee shops, and coworking spaces. 3. Make it a cycling destination	5/20/2024 3:41 PM
152	stores, meat market,	5/20/2024 10:05 AM

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153	Outside crime mentality Maintaining what we have Enforcing codes and standards	5/20/2024 9:28 AM
154	tourists jobs maintenance of Adirondack beauty	5/20/2024 5:07 AM
155	Taxes, housing and employment	5/19/2024 9:43 PM
156	Being welcoming to visitors Being welcoming of multicultural residents Supermarket for necessities and promotion of local farms	5/19/2024 9:25 PM
157	Improvement of Downtown Keeseville Better access to recreational opportunities More youth oriented activities	5/19/2024 8:37 PM
158	preserve/improve sense of community; revitalize downtown and older businesses (motels); preserve/improve natural resources	5/19/2024 4:58 PM
159	~Safety (ie No housing for released sex and violent offenders). ~Controlling property taxes. ~Maintaining the rural and traditional historic nature of the area.	5/18/2024 9:18 AM
160	Roads, Community, retail	5/17/2024 5:55 PM
161	utilize Port Douglass beach. keep taxes low paint downtown	5/17/2024 7:44 AM
162	Get more businesses Address run down / vacant properties	5/16/2024 8:48 PM
163	Upkeep roads, employment, more business	5/16/2024 5:37 PM
164	I think the biggest thing that presents some opportunities is the Ferry property owned by LCT. I think a collaboration with them to rehabilitate that area and return it to what it was in its heyday would attract people. I know they are not keen on investment, but just adequately maintaining it would be a start. I think the town council should begin to apply pressure on them to follow through with some promises they have made over the last 4 years. Essentially, that property has been mostly abandoned post Covid with nothing more than lip service to address it. Their recent purchase of the former snug harbor marina is disheartening as it relates to port Kent. They have the resources to address it apparently and are choosing not to. Perhaps they would donate or sell the property to the town for future development that will actually happen	5/16/2024 11:38 AM
165	Drug addiction issues Homelessness Education	5/16/2024 10:59 AM
166	Attracting clean business to the area, keeping property taxes as low as possible and providing cell/ internet services to all residents	5/16/2024 9:58 AM
167	Property taxes too high so pricing people out of homes they've lived in for years. As to Port Kent, retaining its small town feel and sense of community. For Keeseville, bringing the downtown back and addressing properties that are run down because it makes Keeseville look even more depressed economically - lacking curb appeal so to speak and raises question why would someone move there unless on or near lake Champlain.	5/16/2024 9:51 AM
168	Employment, housing, cleaning up vacant/abandoned houses	5/16/2024 9:30 AM
169	Assist current land owners in creating region-appropriate infill housing; incentivize retail development and historic district preservation by providing connections to funding sources	5/15/2024 6:51 PM
170	Preserving the natural landscape and increasing access to it; affordable housing; year-round population/business opportunities	5/15/2024 10:25 AM
171	Infrastructure, food store, preserve agriculture.	5/15/2024 10:07 AM
172	Infrastructure Affordable grocery store	5/15/2024 10:00 AM
173	Lower Taxes	5/15/2024 9:26 AM
174	1. enhance utility: primarily water and high speed internet (fiber optic) 2. attract business like restaurants and market/grocery 3. remove or force improvement of run down properties (single family residences, apartments, motels)	5/14/2024 5:01 PM
175	Reduce land taxes .	5/14/2024 6:49 AM
176	Lowering the water/sewer taxes Businesses to fill the vacant stores Cleaning up the town by tearing down eye sore buildings and vacating the welfare people at the Villa Motel and surrounding areas!	5/13/2024 9:57 PM

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177	Downtown revitalization. Tourist attraction(trail system) , lowering the cost for native property owners	5/13/2024 8:46 PM
178	Low taxes, winter ice skating back to town, clean small grocery store	5/13/2024 7:11 PM
179	Affordable taxes, getting rid of the Villa, and water quality	5/13/2024 6:58 PM
180	CLeaning up the convicts. Making our streets safe again. Making our ideal properties to be for housing for working families, not the Villa and Grand Prix	5/13/2024 4:15 PM
181	Safety, less vandalism, community common park	5/13/2024 4:06 PM
182	Eliminating the drug use in the village by the river in the streets, bringing sustainable business into town, providing more opportunities for markets during summer months	5/13/2024 4:04 PM
183	Grocery Store Downtown Business	5/13/2024 7:17 AM
184	No more building. If you cut down a tree you have to plant a tree.	5/12/2024 8:20 PM
185	PURSUE GRANTS TO KEEP TAXES LOW. REPAIR CLOSED BRIDGES. SEEK OUT BUSINESSES TO PROVIDE MEANINGFUL EMPLOYMENT SO THAT YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE OPTIONS HERE WITHOUT HAVING TO MOVE AWAY.	5/12/2024 7:50 PM
186	1Revitalize downtown; 2. Swim programs am for lessons, pm bus rides from downtown) at Port Douglas Public Beach(Rename it);lower Chasm Tour Prices, especially for resident & their guests.	5/12/2024 12:37 PM
187	Bringing people to the downtown. Having a rehab facility and a bank and liquor store in the most charming section of Keeseville is a growth deterrent coming from a landscape architect and planners prospective for what makes for a thriving community and downtown. Tourism is the main appeal for this area and best opportunity to bring in money for new business and amenities. A grocery market is also essential. You are sending everyone to another town to do their most frequent spending.	5/12/2024 12:09 PM
188	Clean water eliminating blue green algae, bringing more grocery opportunities, community events	5/11/2024 8:48 PM
189	1. restaurants; 2. markets 3. shops (sports, fitness, movie theater, coffee, etc)	5/11/2024 6:34 PM
190	Reduce taxes, stop with lifetime insurance for board members! Roads,	5/11/2024 8:51 AM
191	Lowering taxes so seniors are not forced out of their homes, homeowners keeping property maintained so they don't lower property values (too many dumps around town), obtaining grant money to help defray high cost of water and sewer	5/10/2024 5:40 PM
192	Need a Grocery store Attracting new community members and businesses Preserving the history and character of our small town	5/10/2024 3:03 PM
193	Access to a grocery store other than gas station food etc. Development and renovation of the motels in town so they provide a clean safe place for out of town visitors. Something on the level of the Shamrock. The memorial is beautiful so if we could build on that and have green spaces with seating for people to have a reason to stick around in town and be a community	5/9/2024 5:43 PM
194	Reduce blight, reduce litter, preserve & enhance historic structures.	5/9/2024 7:51 AM
195	Affordable taxes Generating more businesses to shop locally. Control appearance of commercial businesses.	5/8/2024 10:04 PM
196	It needs to enhance the look of the hamlet so it can attract more services which will in turn help to attract more families who want to live and work in the Town of Chesterfield	5/8/2024 2:49 PM
197	Childcare Affordable housing Collaboration	5/7/2024 11:14 PM
198	Cracking down on places like the Villa, Keeseville needs a grocery store like Aldi (that would bring in a lot of people to the area), we need more places like the Chasm to bring in tourism, unique places that will bring profit and jobs to our area.	5/7/2024 10:59 PM
199	Development, local employment opportunities, improving town esthetics.	5/7/2024 9:06 PM
200	Development of Keeseville's Front and Main streets as a thriving, compelling location, featuring appropriate signage identifying historically significant buildings, a visitors' center,	5/7/2024 4:42 PM

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more than one high end restaurant, businesses offering recreational gear and clothing, many more trees.

201	Keeseville needs to be revitalized. Port Kent has many properties that still need improvement and renovation.	5/7/2024 10:58 AM
202	Water and sewer without costs to property owners	5/7/2024 9:02 AM
203	See question 14	5/7/2024 7:52 AM
204	Creating an environment to attract and retain good small businesses. Reasonable taxes, good roads and good schools.	5/7/2024 12:38 AM
205	Cleaning Up Run Down Properties: Apply for Grant to help Spruce Up the Town Develop Industrial Park Property-Possible Future Housing	5/6/2024 8:54 PM
206	Cleaning up the over abundance of abandoned, rundown property. Stricter codes and enforcement of them.	5/6/2024 8:28 PM
207	Preserving architecture and bridges, attracting small businesses, continuing to cultivate community activities such as Christmas events, Art Festival, etc	5/6/2024 7:53 PM
208	Preservation of historic bridges, revitalizing downtown, employment	5/6/2024 7:46 PM
209	Grocery store. Speeding in neighborhoods. Too many vacation rentals	5/6/2024 4:26 PM
210	supporting local businesses. Supporting local arts events. Advocating for return of Port Kent ferry!	5/6/2024 2:20 PM
211	1. Upgrade the town by making property owners fix or tear down properties in disrepair & unsightly. 2. If needed, pass additional local laws to authorize the Town to seize property (after official notice to improve/fix) from neglectful owners 3. Increase/enhance adult recreational & cultural venues to make Chesterfield a more attractive bedroom community for Plattsburgh	5/6/2024 11:47 AM
212	Maintenance of Tennis Court.	5/6/2024 9:38 AM
213	transparency..end the good old boys network of employment and government...listen to public, visit town sectors to see and hear issues....there is more to managing the Town than sipping draught at the ELKS	5/6/2024 7:35 AM
214	Make use of industrial park Use your strength- the lake... fishing derbies and swim lessons for kids... open beaches Entice and support new downtown business	5/5/2024 11:17 AM
215	Short term rentals, economic opportunities, property taxes	5/5/2024 10:42 AM
216	Stop adding stop signs and speed bumps to accommodate the whiners. Enforcement of animal owners to keep their animals on their property!	5/5/2024 7:45 AM
217	Rules should be enforced regarding multiple rv trailers, boats, cars, in residential areas.	5/5/2024 7:11 AM
218	enforce existing codes . Clean up the appearance of the main roads heading in to town and the village area. Work more with the town of Ausable to get some of this done.	5/4/2024 7:25 PM
219	Keep the character Grocery store Employment opportunities	5/4/2024 4:32 PM
220	Grocery store, Villa, community activities	5/4/2024 3:19 PM
221	Zoning for no more single wide trailers. Require removal of unused vehicles from properties Owners responsible for run down/vacant properties.	5/4/2024 11:58 AM
222	Enforce Zoning and other regulations Better communication w/ residents (newsletter, website, etc) Don't just make plans. Implement them!	5/4/2024 10:42 AM
223	Internet Internet Grocery store	5/3/2024 2:36 PM
224	Encouraging businesses on Front and Main Street; Housing and development (balancing these with affordability and bigger development pressures); Building a sense of welcome and safety in the downtown and region - in addition to finding grants to restore the historic (and pretty-dam-cool) steel bridges (for walking and biking, if not for cars/trucks) - taking action on the ideas being generated, and keeping these in view, as well as keeping the conversation going this is now the 3rd effort I've been involved with - finding a way to make this one be sustainable!	5/3/2024 10:14 AM

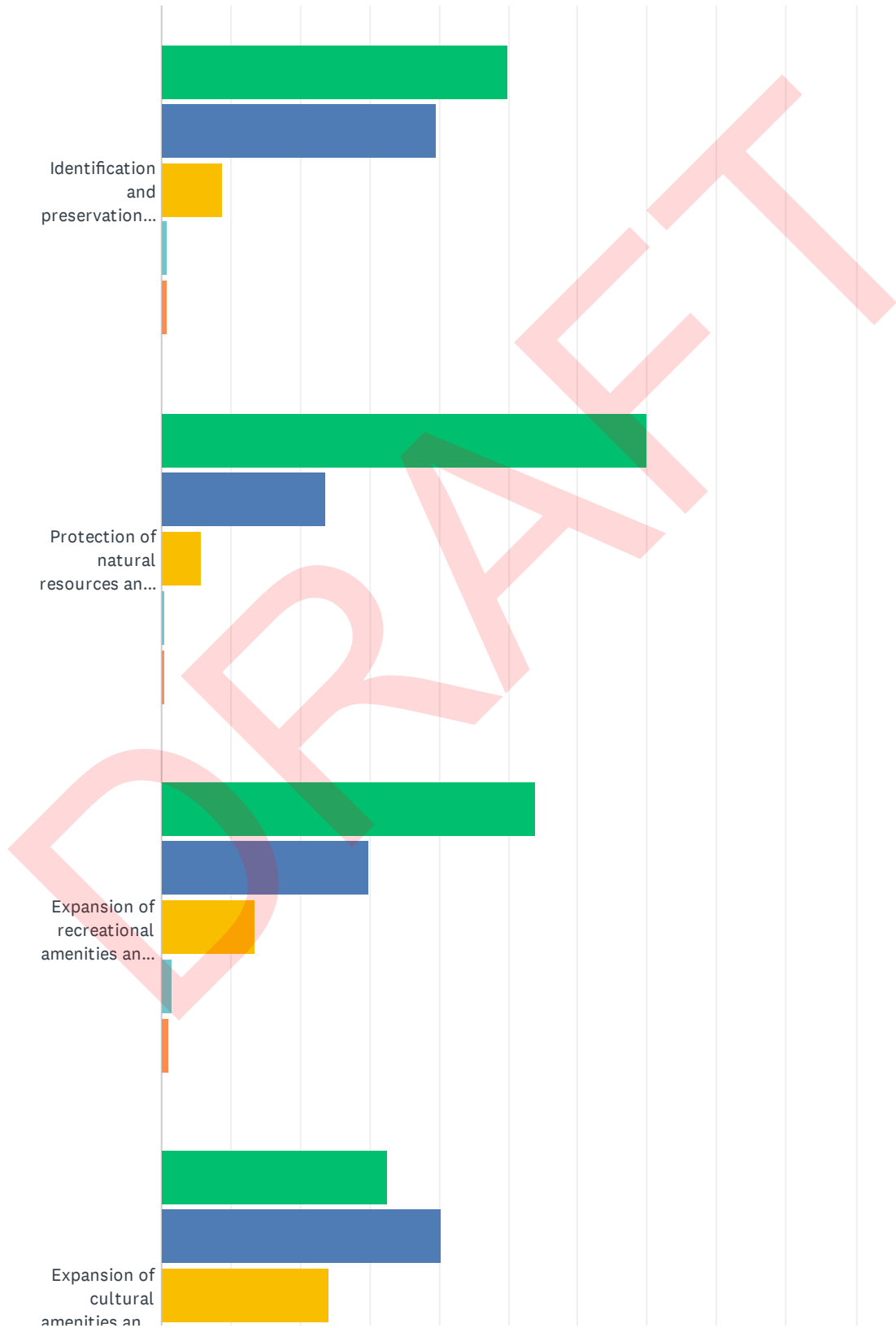
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225	1. Economic opportunities for small (Front St., Main St.) and larger (industrial park) businesses 2. Maintaining the historical buildings and bridges 3. Continuing to develop community for local families, as well as summer residents	5/2/2024 5:20 PM
226	Clean up the town; omit unregistered and junk cars get rid of Villa	5/2/2024 6:50 AM
227	1. Return to cluster development 2. Recreational opportunities for families with and without children 3. Internet accessibility for families and businesses	5/1/2024 1:50 PM
228	Infrastructure (bridges!) and overall beautification (or "curb appeal")	5/1/2024 10:01 AM
229	1. Cleaning up of zombie properties. 2. Law enforcement, especially with regard to things like vandalism and noise violations. 3. Focus on keeping buildings and lands visually attractive.	5/1/2024 10:01 AM
230	1. Port Douglass tank farm environmental cleanup and foreclosure so property may be developed. 2. Much greater enforcement of building codes and zoning including getting rid of abandoned or blighted housing; change regs for the industrial park such that could be marketed and sold to a housing developer.	5/1/2024 8:51 AM
231	1. revitalizing front street and recreational use of ausable river within former village boundaries. 2. Inventory housing and light commercial assets within keeseville. 3. Promoting the historical assets and development opportunities on social media	5/1/2024 7:34 AM
232	Getting back a grocery store, internet, preserving and repurposing historic and vacant buildings.	4/30/2024 9:25 PM
233	Beaches Downtown Clean up Route 9	4/30/2024 9:06 PM
234	Reopen historic bridges. Business in the industrial park Housing	4/30/2024 6:59 PM
235	Increased Civics	4/30/2024 3:17 PM

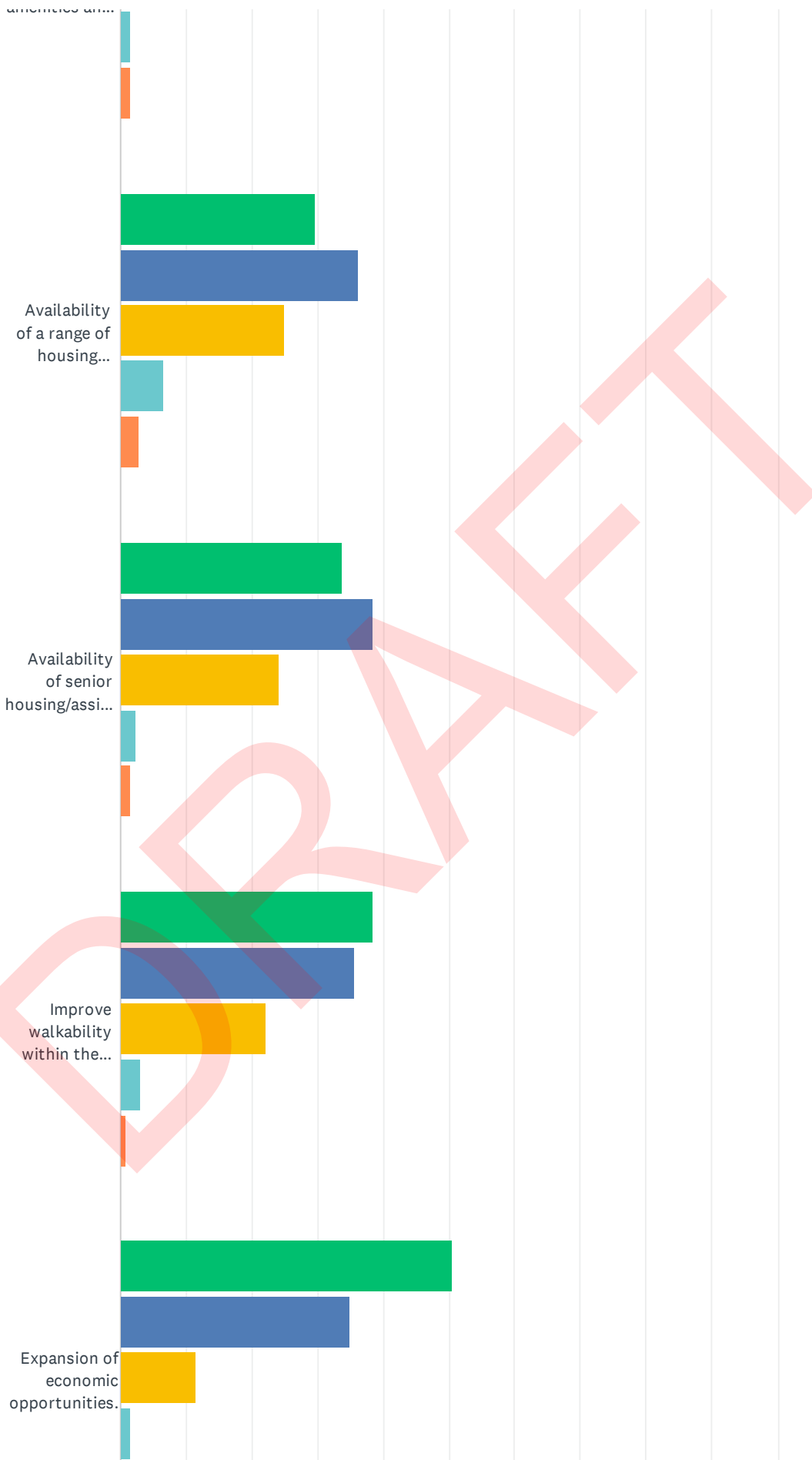
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Q16 On a scale from Strongly Agree to Strongly Disagree, please select your level of support for the following:

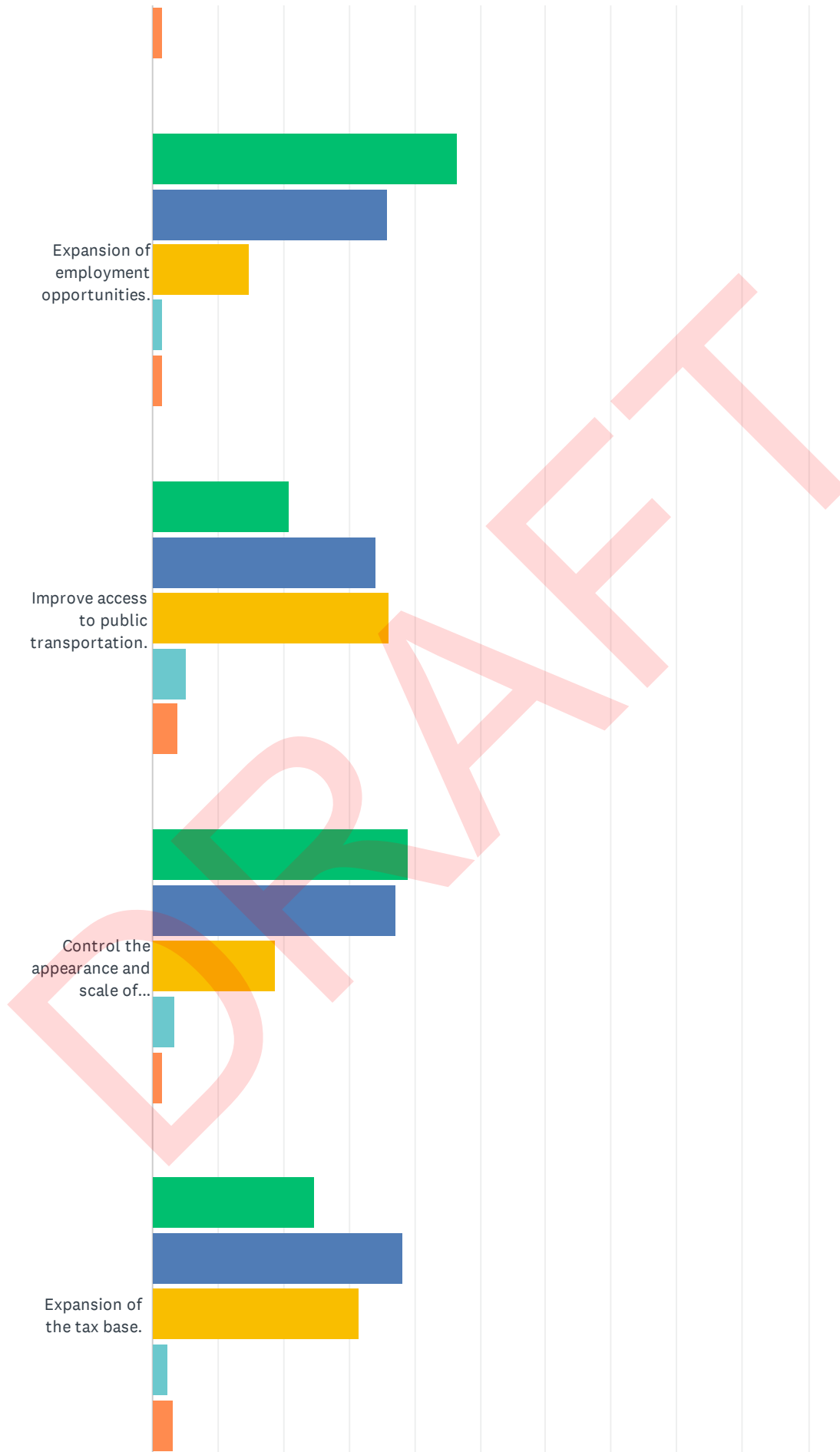
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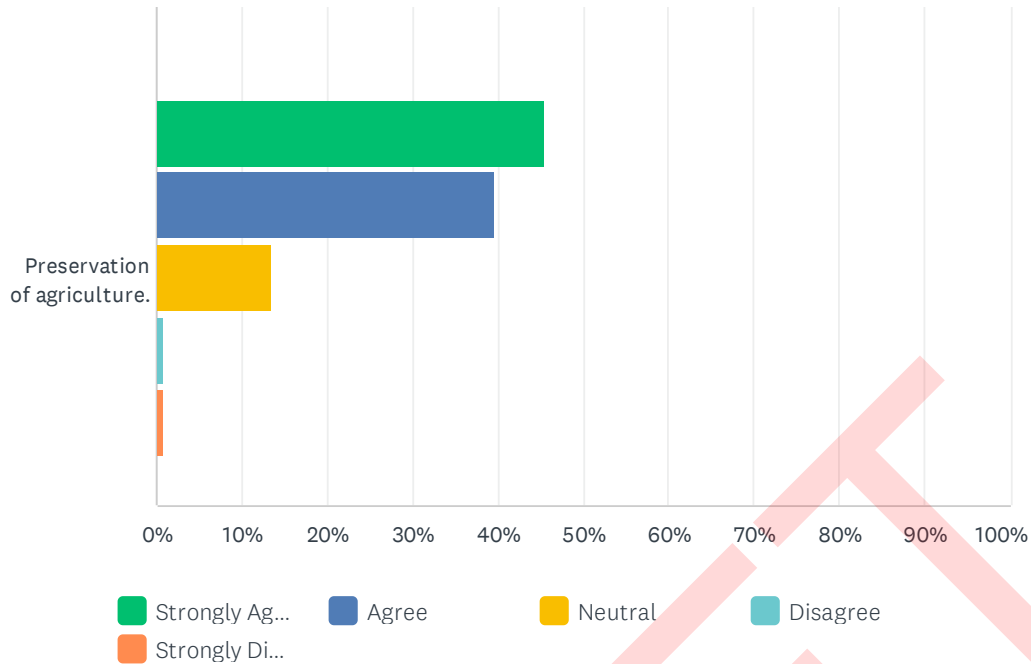
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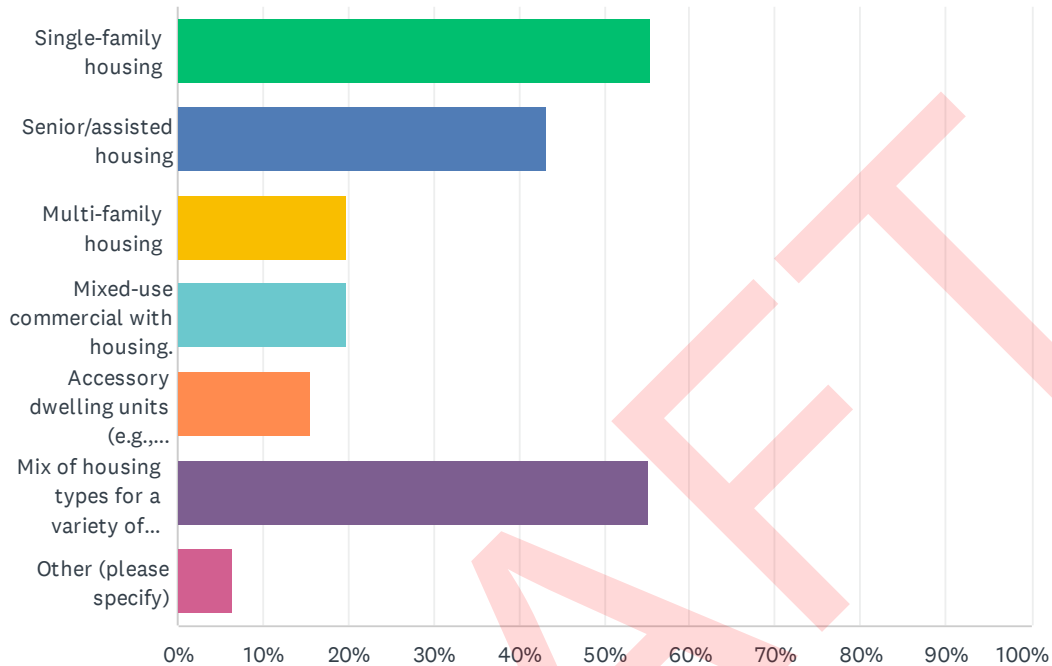
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	TOTAL
Identification and preservation of historic buildings/sites.	50.00% 130	39.62% 103	8.85% 23	0.77% 2	0.77% 2	260
Protection of natural resources and wildlife habitat.	69.96% 184	23.57% 62	5.70% 15	0.38% 1	0.38% 1	263
Expansion of recreational amenities and opportunities.	54.02% 141	29.89% 78	13.41% 35	1.53% 4	1.15% 3	261
Expansion of cultural amenities and opportunities.	32.57% 85	40.23% 105	24.14% 63	1.53% 4	1.53% 4	261
Availability of a range of housing options.	29.62% 77	36.15% 94	25.00% 65	6.54% 17	2.69% 7	260
Availability of senior housing/assisted living options.	33.72% 88	38.31% 100	24.14% 63	2.30% 6	1.53% 4	261
Improve walkability within the hamlets.	38.31% 100	35.63% 93	22.22% 58	3.07% 8	0.77% 2	261
Expansion of economic opportunities.	50.57% 132	34.87% 91	11.49% 30	1.53% 4	1.53% 4	261
Expansion of employment opportunities.	46.54% 121	35.77% 93	14.62% 38	1.54% 4	1.54% 4	260
Improve access to public transportation.	20.93% 54	34.11% 88	36.05% 93	5.04% 13	3.88% 10	258
Control the appearance and scale of commercial development.	39.08% 102	37.16% 97	18.77% 49	3.45% 9	1.53% 4	261
Expansion of the tax base.	24.80% 63	38.19% 97	31.50% 80	2.36% 6	3.15% 8	254
Preservation of agriculture.	45.38% 118	39.62% 103	13.46% 35	0.77% 2	0.77% 2	260

Q17 What types of housing should be prioritized in the Town of Chesterfield over the next 10 years? Select all that apply:

Answered: 263 Skipped: 61



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Single-family housing	55.51% 146
Senior/assisted housing	43.35% 114
Multi-family housing	19.77% 52
Mixed-use commercial with housing.	19.77% 52
Accessory dwelling units (e.g., accessory apartment, in-law suite, secondary rental unit, etc.)	15.59% 41
Mix of housing types for a variety of income levels	55.13% 145
Other (please specify)	6.46% 17
Total Respondents: 263	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Homeowner funding for upgrades and repairs	6/24/2024 10:45 PM
2	Let's expand social services availability low income housing like the Villa in Port Kent	6/22/2024 5:28 PM
3	Not enough information from local or business community.	6/22/2024 5:59 AM
4	No opinion but clean up trashy properties.	6/21/2024 9:37 AM
5	If you don't own property here YOURE JUST POOR! We keeseville locals just can't afford ANY of what is currently available. Rent is laughable in every housing option in keeseville and landlords don't take care of their properties. As a local I can say, we all have some serious	6/19/2024 9:04 PM

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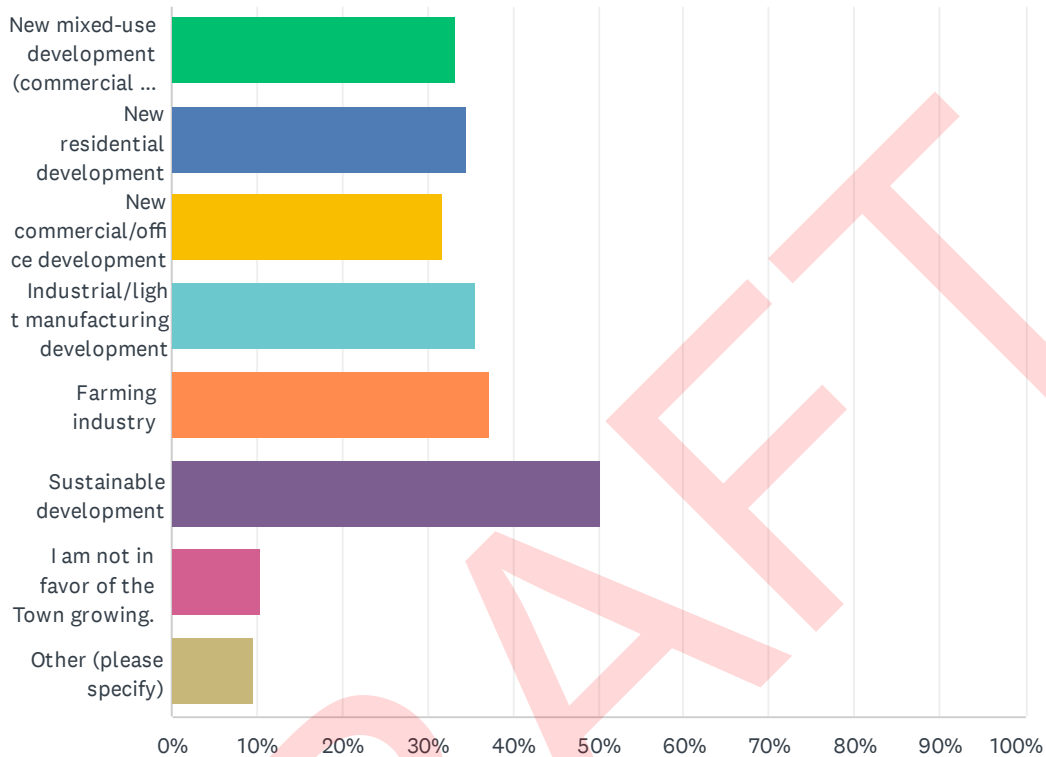
horror stories of the places we've had to sell our souls to barely make rent in just have mold or worse..

6	All housing needs should be evaluated.	6/19/2024 8:31 PM
7	Zoning for single wide mobile homes. Not neighborhood friendly.	6/19/2024 8:12 PM
8	Young homeowners or want to be homeowners.	5/29/2024 6:49 PM
9	First impression of Keeseville is the low income strip into town from the Chasm. If we could improve that housing to new senior apartments, wouldn't that look nicer?	5/23/2024 1:52 PM
10	Increased density beyond current zoning	5/15/2024 6:51 PM
11	whatever is most in demand (I don't know)	5/15/2024 10:25 AM
12	Not more building	5/12/2024 8:20 PM
13	Tiny homes	5/7/2024 11:14 PM
14	tiny house allowing independence preferably in the unused industrial park that is already equipped for infrastructure	5/6/2024 7:35 AM
15	Habitat for Humanity	5/5/2024 7:11 AM
16	limiting short term housing (VRBO) and more regulation and enforcement of it.	5/1/2024 8:51 AM
17	No opinion	4/30/2024 3:17 PM

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Q18 What type of future growth would you like to see in the Town of Chesterfield over the next 20 years? Select all that apply:

Answered: 258 Skipped: 66



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
New mixed-use development (commercial & residential on the same property)	33.33% 86
New residential development	34.50% 89
New commercial/office development	31.78% 82
Industrial/light manufacturing development	35.66% 92
Farming industry	37.21% 96
Sustainable development	50.39% 130
I am not in favor of the Town growing.	10.47% 27
Other (please specify)	9.69% 25
Total Respondents: 258	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	These choices are limiting, especially about "new." We'd like to see adaptive re-use of existing buildings and new residential/commercial development in existing hamlet areas.	6/30/2024 9:54 PM
2	Seems like there is a great demand for new and updated senior living options	6/28/2024 1:33 PM

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3	Not sure 🤔	6/22/2024 8:39 PM
4	Enforcement to address dilapidated homes	6/22/2024 6:26 PM
5	We should have more expensive dog walking parks, funded by tax payers	6/22/2024 5:28 PM
6	Recreational development on Lake Champlain	6/22/2024 10:28 AM
7	This area is blessed with freedom from the Flood Belt or Heat domes of the South or West. People will be moving here.	6/22/2024 5:59 AM
8	Shopping i.e. grocery store, and retail stores.	6/21/2024 8:30 PM
9	Turn the old high school into something useful!	6/21/2024 2:41 PM
10	Thoughtful balance	6/21/2024 9:37 AM
11	Year round tourism	6/20/2024 6:21 PM
12	I am torn. The idea of growth is appealing but I don't want to see our Town compromise it's character.	6/20/2024 1:02 PM
13	Restaurants, community spaces, light retail	6/20/2024 10:47 AM
14	If this town grows and improves, it needs to improve for us. The locals. Every new development we have made in the past year or more has been frivolous and mostly seems to appeal to outsiders and not us who were born here and CHOOSE to stay here. Except the new park on Ausable Street, that is great!	6/19/2024 9:04 PM
15	More use of established buildings and less abandonment	6/19/2024 8:46 PM
16	The oversight of some of the Air B&Bs that seem to be popping up in people's yards	6/19/2024 8:16 PM
17	limited single family homes while keeping small town feel	6/4/2024 9:46 PM
18	Take pride in the appearance and maintenance of what we already have	5/20/2024 9:28 AM
19	Any of the above would be a benefit.	5/19/2024 9:43 PM
20	Food truck lots!! Restaurants, brew pubs,	5/12/2024 12:09 PM
21	Port Kent is not broke	5/5/2024 7:45 AM
22	Revitalize existing	5/5/2024 7:11 AM
23	planned development with more density	5/4/2024 10:42 AM
24	Internet available for everyone	5/3/2024 2:36 PM
25	Homesteading	4/30/2024 3:17 PM

Q19 Please share any other ideas you have for the Town of Chesterfield:

Answered: 138 Skipped: 186

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Chesterfield should work with Champlain Area Trails and its residents to identify trails that will connect people with nature in the town and Champlain Valley and promote economic vitality.	6/30/2024 9:54 PM
2	It makes a really big difference to families when there is access to nearby outdoor recreation both in summer and winter and places where people gather (Brewery, Coffee Shop, Grange, Movie Theater or Drive-In, etc). Port Kent beach is fantastic - maybe we can invest in some upgrades there. Perhaps we could have a public sledding hill somewhere. Beyond basic critical infrastructure (like clean water and safe roadways) I think we should center some of these community resources that help us enjoy our town and figure out how to support the small businesses that are providing these spaces that make it fun to live here. Also - make sure to protect the agricultural district! These are our best soils in the area, and while local food isn't something that everyone has access to or cares about at this time, there may come a time when we once again need to see what our farmland can do and rely upon the crops. Farms aren't a short-term investment - we need to take care of our ag lands. The reason that farmers are granted some tax breaks is the same reason that there aren't very many farmers anymore - farmers make barely enough to keep at it, truly. The Farm Bill creates a complicated web of subsidies - but none of them go to the small farmer. That is why things like agritourism come in to play. If we could make enough money to pay our bills doing the work we chose to do as farmers without having to do all these other little hustles - farm stays and added value work and so on - we certainly would just do that. Support the small farmers, support agritourism, understand their economics up close, and leave the agricultural districts in tact for the coming generations who may not be able to subsist on food from California the way most of us do today! Every generation of small agriculture looks different. Small, alternative housing options like tiny homes and cabins make a huge difference in retaining our population of 20-30 year olds. Homes are not affordable right now - I think the town should take this idea seriously and be sure to consider how we can make space in zoning etc for these options. Some areas in the northeast have rolled out incentives for landowners to build small alternative dwellings on their property, since home values have sky rocketed - and, again, this can make all the difference for the 20-30 year old demographic. Whether or not we can access a program like that, we should think about what we CAN do. Keeping the youth around is vital for all of us!	6/28/2024 1:33 PM
3	Develop business and increase cultural activities	6/27/2024 8:58 AM
4	Bring the PD beach back the way it used to be with rafts put out and transportation to and from all summer for the kids.	6/24/2024 9:28 PM
5	Have people leave the wildlife alone no has bothered them before and it was fine	6/24/2024 6:09 PM
6	Focus on the towns greatest feature.. the river	6/23/2024 11:02 PM
7	NA	6/23/2024 8:21 PM
8	A town government that is open to and actively engaged with individuals and groups that want the town to help better its image and sense of community.	6/23/2024 7:56 PM
9	Grocery store	6/23/2024 9:58 AM
10	Correct unfair tax assessments that drive long time residents from their homes with water frontage.	6/23/2024 7:47 AM
11	4 way stop sign on port Douglas/ mace chasm. Town water further away from town. Port Douglas road speed reduction.	6/23/2024 7:21 AM
12	I loved the way it was when I was a child. A store and just a nice quiet town . More single family homes and some nice shops downtown would make it a desirable place to live	6/23/2024 12:14 AM
13	.	6/22/2024 11:22 PM
14	Keep it simple. Try and accomplish a few things. Less government less taxes are best.	6/22/2024 5:28 PM

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Highway dept. Does a great job. Still have a few potholes to go

15	Make use of the Commerce Park. Fight for the funding for historic bridges' restoration. Repair and pave residential streets. Make downtown Keeseville for attractive to pedestrians and visitors	6/22/2024 2:08 PM
16	Port Kent beach and ferry dock should be developed as a recreation facility for the town and area. The gift shop building could be used (leased) without a lot of costs to the Town. Port Kent used to be a destination for tourism in the 1920's and 1930's. I am not saying to bring it back to that level, but why not use the resources that are left behind by LCT as a recreational destination for the area.	6/22/2024 10:28 AM
17	Please 🙏 we need something for our children and future children to come. Playgrounds are great but we need something more for the older youth. This will stop break ins and destruction of property	6/22/2024 10:14 AM
18	I would love to see the old one room school houses repaired and made into mini museums. I know of 2 that are still standing and need attention. One on the Highlands rd. and the other on Mace Chasm rd. By letting these buildings go we are letting some of our history to go. Please consider looking into this. Thank you.	6/22/2024 8:07 AM
19	Lake Street Port Kent Park with benches, wildflowers, parking and trail to new and improved beach multi use area	6/22/2024 7:33 AM
20	Turn the old military site on Port Douglas Rd into a park. Plenty of space there for walking/boking/xc ski trails, an amphitheater or music venue, some workout stations like you see on Burlingtons bike path etc.	6/22/2024 7:22 AM
21	Beautifying main streets to attract visitors may help.	6/22/2024 7:01 AM
22	This area is a sweet spot in global warming's severe weather and geological activity disasters, protected by Mount Marcy from the prevailing westerlies. A new safe place to set up shop for generations. Low crime so far. Good to ideal infrastructure placement between Montreal and Washington.	6/22/2024 5:59 AM
23	Build up walkable vibrant main streets that have a great sense of community and give tourists a reason to stop by on their way to the chasm, mountains etc.	6/22/2024 12:56 AM
24	Hold more events like painting, photography, yoga classes, music events, cookouts. Clean up port Kent beach. More things to do during summer in the water	6/21/2024 9:39 PM
25	Keep Improving.	6/21/2024 8:53 PM
26	Keeseville is a nice town but it's dying. If you want people to stay there, you have to provide more amenities and places to work	6/21/2024 8:30 PM
27	Please continue investing in the hamlet of Keeseville.	6/21/2024 8:00 PM
28	We could use something for kids/ teens to get together and socialize and have fun	6/21/2024 4:22 PM
29	Turn the old high school into something useful! Independent senior housing would be nice! Get a grocery store back! Clean up the dang villa!	6/21/2024 2:41 PM
30	As a part-year resident, I think the most pressing issue in the Town is a lack of economic opportunity for full time residents. A few mid-sized employers centered around Keeseville could do a lot to bring Keeseville and the Town of Chesterfield back. (And it's OK if the Town of Ausable improves as well....)	6/21/2024 2:17 PM
31	Build on the foundation we have now the hometown people love to come back to. Add to community without changing to the point we don't recognize our town	6/21/2024 12:58 PM
32	Revitalizing an aging community and turning it into a vibrant location requires a multi-faceted approach that leverages the unique strengths and heritage of the area. Here are some strategies I would propose: 1. Preserve and Promote Local Heritage Highlight Historical Sites: Focus on preserving and promoting historical buildings and sites. Turn these into museums, galleries, or event spaces celebrating the community's heritage. Cultural Festivals: Organize festivals and events celebrating local culture, history, and traditions. This can draw visitors and create a sense of pride among residents. 2. Enhance Infrastructure Renovate Vacant Buildings: Partner with local businesses or investors to renovate and repurpose vacant buildings. These can become boutique hotels, cafes, artisan shops, or co-working spaces. We	6/21/2024 12:32 PM

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have none of this now. Improve Public Spaces: Beautify public spaces like parks, plazas, and streetscapes. A well-maintained and aesthetically pleasing environment attracts visitors. 3. Leverage Natural Beauty and Outdoor Activities Eco-tourism: This area has incredible natural beauty; develop eco-tourism activities like hiking, bird-watching, or guided nature tours. Adventure Tourism: Consider activities such as zip-lining, kayaking, or mountain biking where the landscape allows. 4. Support Local Businesses Local Artisans and Farmers Markets: Encourage the establishment of markets where local artisans and farmers can sell their goods. This will not only support local businesses but also attract visitors interested in unique, local products. Culinary Tourism: Promote local cuisine by supporting local restaurants and food festivals. Culinary tourism can be a significant draw for visitors. 5. Develop Accommodation Options Bed and Breakfasts: Encourage the development of charming bed and breakfasts or boutique hotels in renovated historic homes. Campgrounds and RV Parks: If applicable, create or improve campgrounds and RV parks to attract a different segment of tourists. 6. Marketing and Branding Create a Strong Brand: Develop a unique brand identity for the community that highlights its strengths and unique features. Promote this brand using social media, websites, and traditional marketing. Partnerships: Partner with travel agencies, tour operators, and regional tourism boards to promote the community as a destination. 7. Engage the Community Community Involvement: Involve local residents in the revitalization efforts. When the community is engaged and invested, the results are more sustainable. Volunteering and Ambassadors: Create volunteer programs or community ambassador initiatives to welcome and guide tourists. 8. Attract Investments and Grants Seek Funding: Look for grants and funding opportunities from government agencies, non-profits, and private investors focused on community development and tourism. Public-Private Partnerships: Develop partnerships between the public sector and private enterprises to share resources and risks. 9. Focus on Sustainability Sustainable Practices: Implement sustainable practices in all development projects to ensure long-term viability and attract eco-conscious tourists. Green Certifications: Aim for certifications like Green Key or LEED to promote the community as a sustainable and responsible destination. I know I have said a lot here - but this town is really amazing and it's a shame to see it go unnoticed. An aging community can be revitalized and transformed into a thriving tourist destination by taking a holistic approach that incorporates preservation, infrastructure improvement, community engagement, and strategic marketing. The key is to leverage what makes the community unique and build on its strengths. I hope that new ideas will be heard and accepted and that funding can support some new initiatives.

33	I think that now LCT has almost totally lost interest in the Port Kent Ferry Dock except for the money it is receiving for Boat slips that a nice upscale restaurant comparable to the old Canata Lodge of years ago would be great.	6/21/2024 11:43 AM
34	Do something with the old ferry dock that hasn't been running for years.	6/21/2024 11:24 AM
35	The Port Kent beach should be invested in and made into a more desirable spot, some regular beach cleaning and access to trash cans and maybe a picnic pavilion would go a long way. People are going to use the beach regardless, might as well make it easier to keep it clean.	6/21/2024 10:47 AM
36	Access to a ferry again.	6/21/2024 10:30 AM
37	None	6/21/2024 9:48 AM
38	I suggest instead of focusing on growth, you focus on sustainability and maintain what you already have that is in awful disrepair. Once you fix your infrastructure and maintain/clean up what you have, growth will come naturally!	6/21/2024 9:37 AM
39	Save your historic bridges.	6/21/2024 9:37 AM
40	I have been visiting Port Kent beach since I was a child. And it holds a special place in my heart. My family now owns a cottage in Port Kent and I would love to see the area thrive and be taken care of. Thanks for jump starting this!	6/21/2024 9:29 AM
41	Taco temptation needs a liquor license ;)	6/20/2024 8:03 PM
42	A welcome packet for people moving to the area. Found it extremely hard to piecemeal info.	6/20/2024 6:21 PM
43	More places to eat and more grocery stores	6/20/2024 4:56 PM
44	Again, we need more options for kids and adults. We have 10 months of crap weather, so outside in the freezing cold isn't something we all want to do.	6/20/2024 4:20 PM
45	Planning is an excellent initial step	6/20/2024 3:32 PM

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46	None	6/20/2024 3:24 PM
47	Na	6/20/2024 1:27 PM
48	Crosswalks for the deer along Rte 373🐇. Kidding.	6/20/2024 1:02 PM
49	Remove the Villa	6/20/2024 11:20 AM
50	The old mill on the river should be turned into prime space. It would be a wonderful restaurant/brewery/event space. Downtown needs to be revitalized. Buildings have to be updated.	6/20/2024 10:47 AM
51	You are doing a Great job with resources that we have. Thanks	6/20/2024 8:47 AM
52	A grocery store would be lovely, a 4 way stop on the corner of Port Douglass and Mace Chasm.	6/20/2024 5:41 AM
53	Whatever it takes to draw the younger population in to make them WANT to build their lives in the Town of Chesterfield. Accessibility for various lifestyle types matters.	6/20/2024 12:18 AM
54	Support the Grange community radio and use it to communicate with residents. Support the rescue of feral cats in Keeseville.	6/19/2024 11:56 PM
55	none at this time.	6/19/2024 10:11 PM
56	Encourage small scale well kept lodging options (similar to Shamrock motel on Route 9, for example — not like the disaster in and around the Villa!) for visitors, rather than just laws discouraging Airbnb type rentals.	6/19/2024 9:46 PM
57	Chesterfield and AuSable are two 'towns' that share the same 'village'. I love the downtown and would love to see more businesses and reasons to come downtown. People coming off the Northway need to know there is a thriving downtown just two turns away. And the bridges create a great loop that brings the two towns together and allows one to see architecture, nature and all the business opportunities (shopping, dining). I would send our out of town customers on that loop and they would be amazed! Great things are happening, keep that momentum going!!!	6/19/2024 9:43 PM
58	Not related to anything asked so far and this may be outside the perview of the town: I would love to see an expansion of what is able to be recycled at the transfer station. Plastics are almost unavoidable in grocery shopping and only being able to recycle #2 plastics means that we collectively contribute to the plastics problem.	6/19/2024 9:41 PM
59	As expressed previously, would love to see nature walks/trails just like the one in Peru and have something like Elmore this way. A farmers market and more community based activities like that would be great	6/19/2024 9:06 PM
60	We would all like more markets and fairs to attend. Even if they aren't in summer.	6/19/2024 9:04 PM
61	Let's grow! Attract more to visit this area. Clean up local DSS housing!	6/19/2024 9:03 PM
62	I've seen a desire for an indoor roller skating rink in our area. If Keeseville could make that happen I'm sure people from all around our area would flock here for the opportunity. It would also be a great business opportunity for either the town or someone with the means to make it happen.	6/19/2024 8:53 PM
63	New dog shelter	6/19/2024 8:46 PM
64	With out growing or maintaining residence, local businesses will not survive or even have a chance. Be the affordable option for those that work and play in the surrounding areas. Small shops are doomed to fail with e-commerce. Manufacturing or supporting manufactures are the key to work and drawing people in.	6/19/2024 8:31 PM
65	lower water and sewer costs\lower price for people to dispose of garbage properly/more recycling	6/19/2024 8:17 PM
66	Try and encourage new businesses to come here to use an untapped resource of the industrial park . That in turn will create a local job market that we really don't have here.	6/19/2024 8:16 PM
67	I think we need to encourage more pride and participation in our community. Continue trying to attract business to Commerce Park. I'm not trying to sound harsh but the Villa in neighboring AuSable is bringing our community down. It needs to be addressed and that should have been	6/19/2024 8:13 PM

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the number one topic when Billy Jones came to meet the supervisors of both towns. The government encouraged ghetto needs to go if we hope to improve our image.

68	.	6/19/2024 8:08 PM
69	I would like to see a grocery store. Clean and affordable, more community events/celebrations.	6/19/2024 8:07 PM
70	Do activities such as town wide yard sales and community parades to get people to come to the town. Keeseville does not have a good reputation and it's time to change that!	6/19/2024 8:06 PM
71	Downtown is looking great with the improvement they have done and continue to do. Also the volunteers who help. Need a grocery store	6/19/2024 8:04 PM
72	Nothing I can think of	6/19/2024 8:00 PM
73	Dog park!	6/10/2024 10:17 PM
74	Community center is needed Jobs. Stores and restaurants. Entertainment. Better parking downtown	6/10/2024 6:16 PM
75	Keeseville in general is not viewed as an ideal place to live. People don't keep up with their properties so the houses look terrible and there are all kinds of parasites down at the Villa Motel walking the streets. People don't feel safe anymore.	6/10/2024 3:24 PM
76	parking issue on Front Street for business is #1 priority, with 1 hour limit during normal business hours. As a business owner I have the data to show a 130% increase after moving to a location with available parking!	6/10/2024 10:57 AM
77	Local shops on front street miss the bakery	6/4/2024 9:46 PM
78	Best wishes!	5/30/2024 11:49 AM
79	Again, the intersection between Port Douglas Road and Mace Chasm Road is extremely dangerous and someone is going to die. The parks need camera surveillance to catch the few that ruin it for everybody.	5/29/2024 6:49 PM
80	Balance our small town feel and values with smart economic growth and development that will improve, compliment and maintain our unique community.	5/29/2024 12:34 PM
81	While tourism seems to be the focus of the North Country, the Town should focus on plans that enhance the lives of its full time residents.	5/29/2024 12:31 PM
82	.	5/24/2024 6:05 PM
83	The library is a bright spot. A grant writer could possibly help improve our town. I have grown up here, and it was better kept in years past. I realize low income housing may be profitable, but it has NOT helped the quaint community it once was. Does the town run a life guard course at the AVCS pool so the Port Douglas beach remains open? It is a shame to lose that beautiful free summer venue.	5/23/2024 1:52 PM
84	A pedestrian/bike lane on Trembleau road could prevent a serious injury or death.	5/23/2024 10:37 AM
85	This survey is a great way to start the ball rolling!	5/21/2024 9:47 AM
86	Don't let the most historic brick building be vacant-if you can just focus on incentivizes to get every storefront downtown filled that would be huge.	5/20/2024 3:41 PM
87	outdoor mini putt. something for family and friends to do in our town, with a food cart or snack stand.	5/20/2024 10:05 AM
88	I am not in favor of developing low income housing in the Town of Chesterfield other than for the elderly. Having low income housing without also having stores and amenities would cause strain on those in low income housing. We need to provide affordability to our elders with a safe, well kept community. Thompson Road property should be developed to have assisted living for elders, office space for visiting doctors, indoor exercise facility open to the community and family events. We do not need more HUD housing.	5/20/2024 9:28 AM
89	Promotion of the 4 season beauty of our area	5/19/2024 9:25 PM
90	Need to get out of the mentality of "we've always done it that way" and be more open to new ideas.	5/19/2024 8:37 PM

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91	N/A	5/18/2024 9:18 AM
92	Alicia Fuller for mayor	5/17/2024 5:55 PM
93	stop	5/17/2024 7:44 AM
94	Dog park(s). Authoritative action and advocacy against animal neglect, abuse, cruelty. More downtown access to river, functionality. GET THE OTHER BRIDGE OPEN!	5/16/2024 8:48 PM
95	Cell and internet service for all residents is critical for present residents and for any type of development opportunities.	5/16/2024 9:58 AM
96	Have a standard for how homes should look from the street and enforce it reasonably.	5/15/2024 6:51 PM
97	Looking forward to hearing others thoughts and I'm glad this is happening!	5/15/2024 10:25 AM
98	X	5/13/2024 6:58 PM
99	Cleaning up the drug addicts from our streets and stop the importation of the people that are not from here	5/13/2024 4:15 PM
100	Think about how to use what you have instead of wanting more.	5/12/2024 8:20 PM
101	Open town meetings in Summer and Fall; more festivals for arts, crafts, food, sports, etc.	5/12/2024 12:37 PM
102	I'd love this area. It is in fact my favorite place in the world. I've spent every summer since I was 5 here. It's a diamond in the rough and I am grateful there are people dedicated to planning its bright future. I'd be glad to be involved on some level of ever the need. Susanna Vendetti, local lake enthusiast.	5/12/2024 12:09 PM
103	The Town is a wonderful place. I'd like to know that my grandchildren one day have clean water to swim in and a love of the community like me!	5/11/2024 8:48 PM
104	1. Swim programs at Port Douglas Public Beach(rename Beach)resume lessons in morning and bus kids from downtown in pm;2. Small movie theatre; 3. more local eateries	5/11/2024 6:34 PM
105	If taxes continue to increase and home valuations continue to jump sky high, you will lose many long time residents, thereby losing your tax base.	5/10/2024 5:40 PM
106	Augur lake public access would attract anglers and bring revenue into our town. Pokeomoonshine campsite could be rejuvenated or utilized as it is a piece of state land. The towns need to work together (ausable) and chesterfield for the greater good.	5/10/2024 3:03 PM
107	Question 7 asked how long I have been a resident of the town of Chesterfield and I replied two years because I just moved back to the area in 2022, but I grew up here, went to grade school and HS here and I am ver emotionally invested in this community	5/9/2024 5:43 PM
108	Identify town assets. Target preservation & enhancement opportunities.	5/9/2024 7:51 AM
109	The Town of Chesterfield needs to professionalize its look, add some amenities and services so it can attract more families and businesses to the area.	5/8/2024 2:49 PM
110	Continue this path of transparency and collaboration and I'm sure the people will make it known what the priorities are :)	5/7/2024 11:14 PM
111	Things were better before Keeseville dissolved. I remember when they'd pick up a bag of garbage with a sticker that cost 2 dollars. Now people are burning their trash and I see trash thrown all over. There used to be a code enforcer, so places didn't look so awful with junk all over. This area just looks so rough. The Villa is a huge issue, not sure what can be done but as much that can be done should. The last thing this area needs with all its beauty and history is more low-income housing making our area a cesspool instead of utilizing our strengths to bring in tourists and support our area. I see a lot of historic buildings and stone walls falling apart, it would be nice to see them fixed before they totally go. Maybe more cameras in places where vandalism happens so the scummers that ruin the progress made can be accountable.	5/7/2024 10:59 PM
112	Looking ahead, serious consideration should be given to the eventual impacts of climate change. As areas of the U.S. become less desirable, even uninhabitable, more and more people will be looking at northern New York as a safer place to live and raise families. The trick for those of us who live and do business here will be to encourage change that does all it can to preserve our rural enironment while at the same time making room for an expanding population	5/7/2024 4:42 PM

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113	It is a beautiful underutilized area. Being most familiar with Keeseville and the Port Kent area there is so much room for improvement.	5/7/2024 10:58 AM
114	New supervisor	5/7/2024 9:02 AM
115	Reduce crime/criminals.	5/7/2024 12:38 AM
116	I feel the potential is there. Keeseville could be revamped into a lovely historical town, attracting tourists and in turn a stronger tax base.	5/6/2024 8:28 PM
117	Please continue to work with the Town of Ausable and the counties to fix our beautiful and historic bridges by working together to apply for grant monies available for this very purpose. Fixing our bridges will open up easier ways to walk and drive through our towns.	5/6/2024 7:46 PM
118	Do something about port Kent beach and abandoned building	5/6/2024 4:26 PM
119	Thanks for looking for input.	5/6/2024 2:20 PM
120	We need to be our own advocate to promote Town pluses, rectify Town eyesores and provide an environment where people find desirable to live and work.	5/6/2024 11:47 AM
121	stop the cronyism and opacity....listen..board meetings that have nary a soul attend...elections that are not announced and few voting....budgets and staff management bloating....select new thinking into budget process and ROOST (unspent funds) projects....	5/6/2024 7:35 AM
122	Establish a planning committee for the town that seeks out and brings in new downtown business Negotiate with LCT for use of PK beach. Use mid PD beach for a summertime festival... kids swim races, fishing derby, crafts, agriculture, food trucks.. make it a family day highlighting the town's resources.	5/5/2024 11:17 AM
123	Grocery Stores	5/5/2024 10:42 AM
124	HAVE SOME PLACES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ALONG THE RIVER AND LAKES TO PUT IN CANOES OR KAYAKS. USED TO BE ABLE TO LAUNCH NEAR CARPENTERS FLATS WITH OUT A CHARGE.	5/4/2024 7:25 PM
125	N/a	5/4/2024 4:32 PM
126	Need more control over traffic in Port Kent. Harmony should build their own entrance off of 373. Need auto speeding ticketing set up in town with cameras and auto sending tickets/fines to plate holder.	5/4/2024 11:58 AM
127	Engage citizens to help make these things happen. Many want to help, but they need opportunities	5/4/2024 10:42 AM
128	It has gotten difficult to justify the high cost of living in Chesterfield to the lack of available basic services.	5/3/2024 2:36 PM
129	As a child and young adult, I used to say that Keeseville was the most beautiful area in the world, but just needed money to preserve/protect the river and architecture. We have a real gem - encouraging business throughout the region, encouraging walking around the loops and over the bridges in the downtown, encouraging support/resources for those who are not doing okay (job prospects, substance abuse issues), in Vermont and some border towns in NY, there is a resource called Front Porch Forum - an email-linked discussion forum within each town, for sharing events, ideas, announcements. Would that be something that would help keep us connected?	5/3/2024 10:14 AM
130	Continue to seek public support for the comprehensive plan and have an action plan for steps that can be implemented.	5/2/2024 5:20 PM
131	The most importqnt should be property clean up and geting rid of villa and the likes.	5/2/2024 6:50 AM
132	I would love to see a small commons-type of commercial development, with a variety of restaurants and family attractions.	5/1/2024 1:50 PM
133	Preserve our Charm. Make it attractive for people to live, work, and recreate here!	5/1/2024 10:01 AM
134	The experience of other small, upstate communities indicates that new immigrants are, if given an opportunity, are willing to work hard to develop small businesses. We should encourage a new population of Hardworking people.	5/1/2024 7:34 AM

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135	Need to apply for more grants to get things done so that taxes need not be raised. Create an annual event that will draw to our town. Duck race, recycled boat race, Day of the Dead parade, reenactment, etc.	4/30/2024 9:25 PM
136	Farmers markets etc to increase good activity downtown	4/30/2024 9:06 PM
137	Better communication on what topics are being discussed for those of us that cannot attend town meetings	4/30/2024 6:59 PM
138	Rewrite zoning laws with room for interpretation	4/30/2024 3:17 PM

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Q20 If you would like, please upload your favorite photo that depicts a favorite place or activity in the Town of Chesterfield. By submitting a photo, you are consenting to the picture being shared without credit on the project website and/or within the Comprehensive Plan Update document.

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