# Lyndeborough Master Plan Update

June 14, 2025 Meeting

## Purpose of the Master Plan Update

- What do you want future Lyndeborough to be like?
  - 10-20 year goals
- What should town government do to make that a reality?
- 674:4 Master Plan Adoption and Amendment. The planning board may, according to the procedures required under RSA 675:6, adopt the master plan as a whole, or may adopt successive sections or parts of the plan. Sections or parts of the plan shall correspond with major geographical sections or divisions of the municipality, or with the functional elements of the plan, and may incorporate any amendment, extension, or addition to the plan.
- But we want this to be the citizens' plan, not the planning board's.

#### **mmittees**

- Economic Vitality Growth and Development
- Transportation
- Historical Heritage
- Natural Resources
- Families & Schools
- Housing & Population
- Community Services & Utilities

# MP Update Process

June-July
Subcommittees
prepare for
charette

Aug-Sept Charette meetings

Oct Drafting Oct-Jan
Public
hearings

<u>Jan 26</u> Adoption Feb 26 Publish

# 2025 Survey Results - Hot Topics

- Maintain rural town character
- High and increasing property taxes
- Cost and quality of the WLC schools
- Road maintenance
- More small business in town

## Next Steps

- Resume subcommittees bring on new members
- Subcommittees brainstorm key questions and ideas
  - Not drafting plan yet
  - Creating multiple ideas for citizens to consider in charette process
- Output is agenda with ideas and comments for the charette process

# Sample Questions for Subcommittees

- Do we want more residential development in town? How much, and what kind?
- What's the right balance between rural character and more taxpayers/lower tax rates?
- Do we need incentives to convert current use land for development?
- Should we have more commercial-zoned space? Where?
- Should Lyndeborough leave SAU 63? What would we replace it with?
- If we stay with SAU 63, how can we reform it to improve quality and lower costs?
- Is there better technology (not paving) to make our dirt roads more durable?
- What zoning changes are needed to increase economic development?
- Should we stay with soil-based zoning or use other criteria for balancing development with natural resource protection?
- Should we upgrade our police/fire facilities and how?
- Is creating a greater sense of "community" important? If so, what are ways we can do that?