

Bowdoinham Comprehensive Planning Committee Open Space Plan Team



About Us

Bowdoinham residents value the town's rural character and natural beauty, as reflected in the 2024 Comprehensive Plan. To help protect open spaces, the Comprehensive Planning Committee (CPC) will be working over the next 2-3 years on creating an Open Space Plan through writing, research, and public outreach. We're seeking diverse community members to join us; meetings are held monthly, with occasional work outside meeting hours.



Who should apply?



What is the member's role?



What is the time commitment?

What is a Comprehensive Plan?

- A long-term vision for the town, laying out goals and ideas for the next 10 years.
- Guides growth, protects town character, and supports grant applications.
- Adopted in 2024, we're now working on its goals—starting with an Open Space Plan to preserve public areas.

What is an Open Space Plan & why write one?

- It is a strategic document that guides the conservation and management of natural areas, parks, and undeveloped land to improve quality of life and environmental sustainability.
- The purpose in writing one is to be proactive in protecting important natural resources, support recreation, strengthen community connections, and guide responsible development.
- The process is just getting started. We will gather data, engage the public, and develop strategies for protecting and enhancing Bowdoinham's open spaces.

What does our Tree Sub-Committee do?

- Charged with drafting a Tree Care policy with recommendations for municipal tree maintenance, including pest control, removal, and replacement for Selectboard approval.
- Provides public education through seminars and informational materials in collaboration with forestry experts.

Work with Us

How to join the committee?

- Attend a CPC meeting to learn what serving on the committee involves.
- Fill out an application at the town office to join the CPC.
- Upon Selectboard approved, get sworn in by the Town Clerk.

For more information contact:



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Kendall Room or Zoom
2nd Wednesday of the month
6:00 - 7:30 PM

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