



Chapter 10 Implementation

The success of a Master Plan in shaping the future growth patterns and influencing public policy decisions is dependent upon the degree to which the Plan is actually carried out by those responsible for its implementation. To assist the Town of Ashland in carrying out the many recommendations contained in this Master Plan, the following implementation strategy has been developed. Implementation actions are organized by Master Plan Chapter. Details can be found in individual chapters. The key to the success of this strategic plan is communication and cooperation amongst all the departments, commissions and boards responsible for running this Town.

The Implementation plan outlined below may seem daunting for a town the size of Ashland, but it is important to keep in mind that it is meant to be (as set forth in the enabling legislation, RSA 674:2) “*a long range action program (emphasis added) of specific actions, time frames, allocation of responsibility for actions, description of land development regulations to be adopted, and procedures which the municipality may use to monitor and measure the effectiveness of each section of the plan.*” The Master Plan is designed to be carried out in stages over a number of years, with ongoing monitoring and annual review and updating on a regular basis.

The Planning Board shall annually review the Master Plan and report progress on its implementation in each year’s Town Annual Report.

Chapter	Goals not on Priority List	Responsible Party(s)	Short	Med	Long	Comments/ Resources
1	LU-1: Viewshed Analysis	Conservation Commission Planning Board			X	Tom Kokx, LRPC, community volunteers
	LU-8: Charrette		DONE			
2	T-3: Work with NHDOT to upgrade Highland St., then Town to take over	BOS TA			X	NHDOT District Engineer
	T-4: Work with NHDOT to increase safety/parking issues on Main St.	BOS TA			X	
	T-5: Develop transportation system/network to support alternate modes of transport	BOS			X	Transportation Alternatives, GCRCC, Transport Central
	T-7: Development of safe pedestrian and biking routes	BOS, TA			X	Safe Routes to Schools?
3	H&D-3: Require Conceptual Consultation on Site Plans and Subdivisions	Planning Board	PB: NO			Require based on project size?
	H&D-4: Rental Assessment	Housing Standards Board?		X		NH Housing Finance Authority – Annual Rental Survey
	H&D-5: Re-establish Housing Standards Board		DONE			
	H&D-6: Consider density incentives with Cluster Development [add more Innovative Controls] to Zoning Ordinance	Planning Board		X		Innovative Land Use Planning Techniques Handbook, NHDES
4	NR-1: Encourage conservation ownerships or easements	Conservation Commission	X(O)			SLA, LRLT, SPNHF, NEFF
	NR-3: Identify local priorities for open space protection	Conservation Commission to advise PB	X(O)			PRLAC co-occurrence map, LRPC co-occurrence mapping
	NR-7: Regional collaboration to protect Pemigewasset and Squam watersheds	Planning Board Conservation Commission	X(O)			Pemigewasset Local River Advisory Committee
	NR-9: Protect wetlands and headwaters to protect water quality	Conservation Commission to advise PB	X(O)			Rick Van De Poll, Pemi Plan 2013
	NR-5: Dark sky preservation	Conservation Commission to advise PB			X	Innovative Land Use Planning Techniques Handbook, NHDES
	NR-2: Strategies to maintain wildlife connectivity zones	Planning Board Conservation Commission	X(O)			Smart Growth and Nat'l Resources Assessment, Audubon Society of NH
	NR-8: Work with adjacent towns to protect shared aquifers	Planning Board Conservation Commission			X	Aquifer Protection BMPs 2007, Pemi Plan 2013
	NR-4: Regulation to retain native vegetation during construction/landscaping	Conservation Commission to advise PB			X	

Short – within 6 months Medium – 6-18 months Long – 18 months to 3 years O – Ongoing

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4	NR-10: Consider adoption of excavation regulations	Planning Board Conservation Commission			X	NH RSA 155 – E:2
	NR-11: Consider agricultural overlay district or Right to Farm Ordinance	Conservation Commission to advise PB		X	X	
5	R-1: Shade playground area	BOS				
	R-2: Improve bandstand area, or move it	BOS			X	
	R-3: Storage shed at beach; work with NHF&G programs	BOS, TA Parks and Rec				
	R-6: Research recreational use of conservation lands in Ashland	BOS, TA				
	R-8: Work with State and others to develop ped and bike paths	BOS			T-6,8,10	Potential funding source: Transportation Alternatives DRED, PSU, UNHP
	R-9: Quantify the economic value of conservation and recreation lands in town	BOS		X		
	R-10: Investigate need for additional land suitable for recreational use	BOS Conservation Commission				
6	F-2: Form space needs committee	BOS		X		CIP process advises
	F-4: Make Energy Audit a component in decision-making process	BOS w/Budget Committee				
7	U:SW-1: Incentivize and promote recycling	BOS, Public Works	X			
	U:SW-2: DPW continue participation w/Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District	BOS, Public Works	X			
	U:SW-3: Participate in and promote Household Hazardous Waste collection	BOS, Public Works		X		Pemi-Baker HHW, Lakes Region HHW
	U:BB-1-5: Working w/adjacent towns on cable, broadband and telecommunications	BOS, TA		X		Broadband mapping program
8	ED-3: Promote vocational training	SAU				
	ED-4: Inventory future development and map	Planning Board	LU-2,3			LRPC
	ED-5: Use inventory above to match community vision w/commercial needs	Planning Board EDC				
	ED-9: Inventory broadband services needed for commercial development	EDC				
	ED-11: Review charrette recommendations	BOS	X			
9	H&CR-2: PB member participate with Historical Society	Historical Society, Heritage Commission	X			

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9	H&CR-3: PB members gain knowledge regarding historical properties	Planning Board		X		
	H&CR-4,5,7,9,10,11: Historical Society projects	Historical Society				
	H&CR-7: Consider using RSA 79-D for maintenance of barns and farms	Planning Board			X	
	H&CR-8: Consider RSA 79-E Tax Incentives to encourage downtown renovation	Planning Board			X	need to define district thru mapping LU-2