

# Milton Open Space & Recreation Plan Public Forum



September 18, 2023  
Milton Public Library

# Welcome!



## Tonight's Agenda

- Open Space & Recreation Plan  
*What is it and why have one?*
- Update Process
- Community Needs Discussion

## Open Space and Recreation Committee

- Mark E. Boyle – Secretary, Resident Representative
- Winston Daley, Board of Park Commissioners Representative
- Kristi Downey, Resident Representative
- Wendy Garpow, Conservation Commission Representative
- Meredith Hall, Planning Board Representative
- Frederick McFadden, Historic Commission Representative
- Becky Simonds, Resident Representative
- Tim Czerwienski, Director of Planning and Community Development



# Open Space & Recreation Plan

Why have one?

A tool for the Town to...

- Maintain and enhance benefits
- Understand where we are, where we need to be, and how we get there
- Support efforts to acquire funding



# Open Space & Recreation Plan

What is “open space”?

Land owned by an agency or organization that is dedicated to conservation.

- Provides access to nature
- Protects water quality
- Protects important habitat



# Open Space & Recreation Plan

What is “recreation”?

Indoor and outdoor facilities

- Playgrounds
- Parks
- Ballfields
- Basketball courts
- Multi-use fields



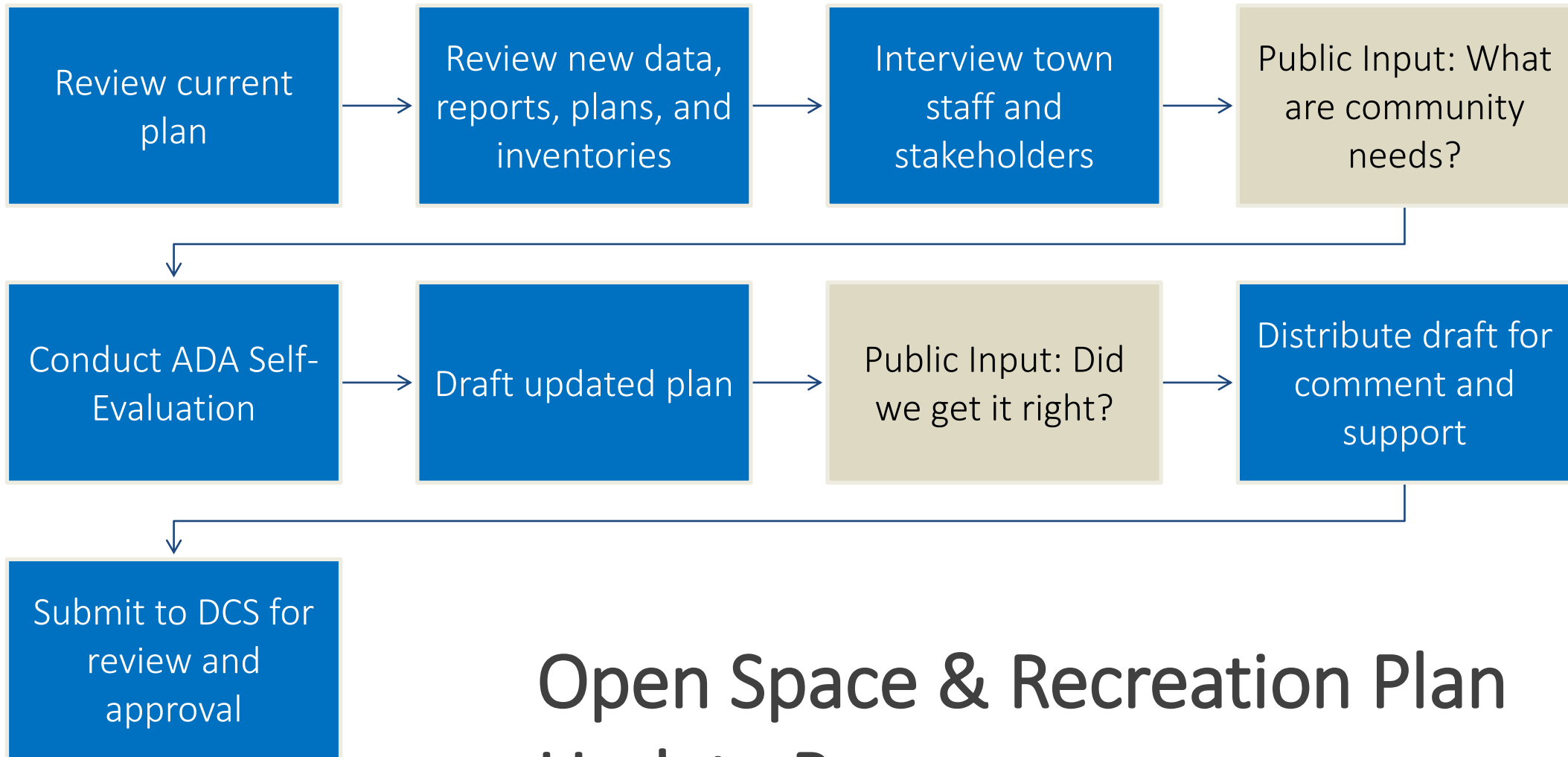
# Open Space & Recreation Plan

Approved in 2006

11 Required Sections

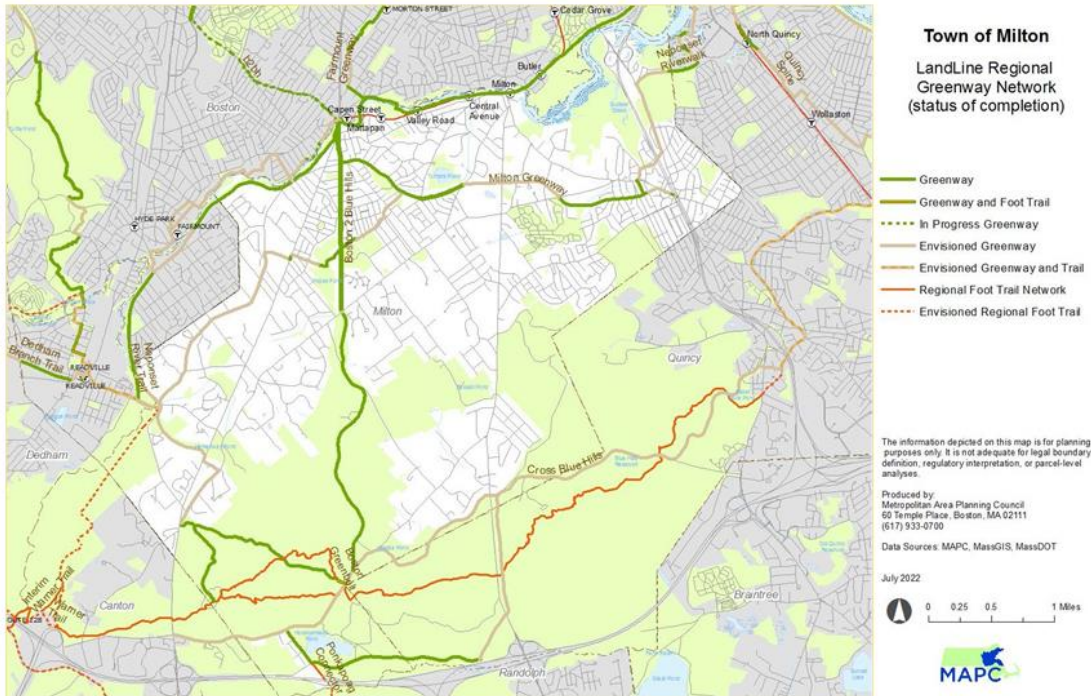
- Community Profile
- Resource Inventory
- Needs
  - Natural resource Protection
  - Community
  - Management
- Goals and Objectives
- 7-Year Action Plan





# Open Space & Recreation Plan Update Process...

# Accomplishment since 2006 Plan



- Milton Master Plan (2015)
- Complete Streets Policy/Prioritization Plan (2018)
- LandLine Greenway Network (2018)
- Local Rapid Recovery Plan (2021)
- Hazard Mitigation Plan (2021)
- Community Preservation Act (2021)
- Milton Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (2022)
- Equity and Justice for All Advisory Committee (2022)

# Current Public Input Opportunities



 **MILTON, MA**  
**OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION PLAN UPDATE**

**WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

Three ways you can get involved and contribute to this important plan:

1. Take our survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MiltonOpenSpaceRecSurvey> or scan the QR Code here
2. Fill out a comment card here.
3. Visit the project website at: <https://www.miltonosrp.com/>



- Project Website
  - <https://www.miltonosrp.com/>
- Listening Posts (Farmer's Market)
  - Over 200 responses
- Online Community Survey
  - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MiltonOpenSpaceRecSurvey>
- Tonight's Forum

Questions?



# Facilitated Groups

3 Questions:

1. What are we doing well?
2. What could we do better?
3. What more could we do?

Report Out

# Ground Rules

1. Please silence your phone, take calls outside
2. Focus on the questions asked and your group's discussion
3. Listen, be honest, and avoid criticizing other's ideas
4. Land the plane
5. Everyone should have an opportunity to talk

Report Out

# Next Steps

1. Continue data collection/review
2. Interview stakeholders
3. ADA Assessments
4. Compile public input
5. Draft Plan
6. Public Forum #2



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Thank You!