

Town of Ashburnham
Proposed Schedule for
Town Approval of the 2023/24 Master Plan

Draft 1/17/2024

		Steps								
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
		3 to 4 months	2 to 3 weeks	3 to 4 weeks	3 to 5 weeks	1 day	3 to 5 weeks	4 - 6 weeks	1 month	
GROUPS	MASTER PLAN CHAPTER	CONTENTS	MRPC Prepares Draft for Initial Town Review	Town Departments, Committees & Boards Review & Comment	MRPC Incorporates Town Comments into Draft for Public Review	Public Review Comment Period	Target Date for Public Presentation	MRPC Completes Next Iteration for Posting, PB & SB	Final Review Period and Coordination of Full Master Plan	Publication Target Date
GROUP 1	Services & Facilities	Identifies and analyzes existing and forecasted needs for facilities and services used by the public.	Completed	Completed	Completed September 7	Completed September 8 to October 13	Completed September 27	Completed November 3	February 20 to March 29	On or Before April 19
	Circulation (Transportation)	Provides an inventory of existing and proposed circulation and transportation systems.	Completed	Completed	Completed September 7	Completed September 8 to October 13	Completed September 27	Completed November 3	February 20 to March 29	On or Before April 19
	Economic Development	Identifies policies and strategies for the expansion or stabilization of the local economic base and the promotion of employment opportunities.	Completed	Completed	Completed September 7	Completed September 8 to October 13	Completed September 27	Completed November 3	February 20 to March 29	On or Before April 19
GROUP 2	Natural & Cultural Resources	Provides an inventory of the significant natural, cultural and historic resource areas of the municipality, and policies and strategies for the protection and management of such areas. Awareness of cultural and historic resources is crucial in crafting policy and land use patterns that support and enhance protection and preservation.	Completed October 27	Completed November 17	Completed December 1	Completed December 4 to January 5	Completed December 13	In Process January 26	February 20 to March 29	On or Before April 19
	Land Use Plan	Identifies present land use and designates the proposed distribution, location and inter-relationship of public and private land uses. This element shall relate the proposed standards of population density and building intensity to the capacity of land available or planned facilities and services. A land use plan map illustrating the land use policies of the municipality shall be included.	Completed October 27	Completed November 17	Completed December 1	Completed December 4 to January 5	Completed December 13	In Process January 26	February 20 to March 29	On or Before April 19
GROUP 3	Housing Production Plan & Housing Chapter	Identifies and analyzes existing and forecasted housing needs and objectives including programs for the preservation, improvement and development of housing. This element shall identify policies and strategies to provide a balance of local housing opportunities for all citizens.	Completed November 30	Completed December 29	Completed January 12	In Process January 12 to February 16	January 24	February 29	February 20 to March 29	On or Before April 19
	Open Space & Recreation	Provides an inventory of recreational and resources and open space areas of the municipality, and policies and strategies for the management and protection of such resources and areas.	Completed November 30	Completed December 29	Completed January 12	In Process January 12 to February 16	January 24	February 29	February 20 to March 29	On or Before April 19
GROUP 4	Goals & Objectives	Identifies the goals and policies of the municipality for its future growth and development. Each community shall conduct an interactive public process, to determine community values, goals, and to identify patterns of development that will be consistent with these goals.	In process MRPC Preparing Ongoing & Interactive January 19	In process MRPC Preparing Ongoing & Interactive February 2	February 16	February 20 to March 29	March 13	April 13	February 20 to March 29	On or Before April 19
	Implementation	Defines and schedules the specific municipal actions necessary to achieve the objectives of each element of the master or study plan. Scheduled expansion or replacement of public facilities or circulation system components and the anticipated costs and revenues associated with accomplishment of such activities shall be detailed in this element. This element shall specify the process by which the municipality's regulatory structures shall be amended so as to be consistent with the master plan.	In process MRPC Preparing Ongoing & Interactive January 19	In process MRPC Preparing Ongoing & Interactive February 2	February 16	February 20 to March 29	March 13	April 13	February 20 to March 29	On or Before April 19