



# **1970 Easton Comprehensive Plan Recommendations**

## **Acquisition of Land**

1. Acquire an active and passive recreation area of at least 30-50 acres in the southern portion of the town.
2. Obtain at least one waterfront site of 50 acres or more on the Hudson River.
3. Expand the present sanitary landfill area on General Fellows Road to approximately 50 acres so that in the future this can be redeveloped into an active and passive recreation area in the northwest section of the community.
4. Provide an active and passive recreation area for those people in the northeast portion of the community at the junction of State Route 372 and County Route 74.

## **Highways and Roads**

1. Rebuilding of Intervale Road for the summer of 1969.
2. Eliminate bad slope on Harrington Hill road if this does not become a part of the county system.
3. Widen the narrow area on Vly Summit Road if it does not become a part of the county system.
4. Rebuild and pave Bulson Road.
5. Rebuild and pave Ives Hill Road and Cook Hollow Road.
6. Improve a bad curve on Tabor Road.
7. Gravel Louse Hill Road

## **Storm Drainage**

1. Easton can continue to prevent the need for storm drainage expenditures by having adequate subdivision regulations and enforcing them, and in other areas not allowing natural drainage areas to become blocked.
2. This can be partly achieved under the land acquisition program by getting the necessary easements along major brooks, but further efforts are needed through the vigilance of the local officials in protecting natural drainage and not allowing it to be illegally blocked so as to cause problems to existing roads and thus at some future date requiring artificial means of taking care of surface runoff.

## **Public Buildings**

1. This program does not foresee the construction of new public buildings.
2. It is much more important to acquire the necessary land that Easton is going to need in the future and to put the road system into good condition.





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3. Improvement to Burton Hall is desirable but should be done gradually out of the operating budget of the community.
4. A new library or addition is not recommended in the immediate future, some slight alterations should be made so that the best utilization of space can be obtained.
5. To improve the overall attractiveness of the community, consideration should be given to some landscaping around the public works garage and improved façade.
6. Minor improvements should be made to the two fire stations, as these facilities should be an asset to the community and not detract from the overall appearance of the community.

## **Development of Outdoor Recreation Facilities**

1. It appears that there is much support for outdoor recreation facilities in Easton.
2. It may be feasible that the town provide the necessary materials and utilize volunteer labor to develop land for active recreational uses such as a swimming pool, ball fields, and improved access to the Hudson River.
3. This program should be coordinated with the Youth Committee to obtain maximum benefit and the town should make regular annual appropriations so that gradually these areas can be improved.

## **B) Utilities – Water and Sewer**

1. Presently these utilities are not available to the people of Easton.
2. The need for some public water and sewer service is becoming evident in the northerly portion of the town which presently has a higher density of population and some industrial and commercial development.
3. In the future, this trend to increasing density will continue and after making provisions for state and federal aid for water and sewer, costs should be met by user fees rather than being reflected in the general budget.

## **Highway Equipment**

1. The town should continue its program of owning its essential highway equipment and should have a program of providing funds for the replacement of this equipment so that it can be maintained.

## **Zoning** (suggested)

1. The proposed zoning ordinance reflects much of the present community's character and at the same time recognizes the need for development in light of potential growth.

