



Shelburne Walk/Bike Connectivity Study

April 27, 2022

Steering Committee meeting

Attendees

- Tracey Beaudin, Shelburne resident, school crossing guard at Falls Rd/Shelburne Rd
- Jessica Coleman, Bicycle and Pedestrian Paths Committee
- Adele Gravitz, Town of Shelburne
- Jane Zenat, Village Pedestrian Safety Group
- Dayton Crites, D&K
- Marshall Distel, CCRPC
- Jason Charest, CCRPC
- Julia Ursaki, D&K
- Barbara Johnson
- Laurie Hurowitz
- Lee Krohn, Town Manager
- Steve Baietti
- Susan Jean Hull Grasso
- Tom Zenaty
- Bryan Davis, CCRPC
- Michael Ashooh (Selectboard)
- Cate Cross

Methodology Overview

- Tom Zenaty asks - how many survey responses? Answer 106 responses
 - Follow up question - is there any significance to this number / representative of Town?
- Michael Ashooh - is the survey still available, is there a problem with just keeping it running? Answer - this specific project has a beginning and end, so we do need to move forward with project
 - Adele - though this survey/project have an 'end', this goes to the bigger picture of how does the town reach more people?
- Susan - If all factors are near 1 (except the safety one), do the results really impact your analysis? That is, are the projects really influenced by the safety factor over anything else? Is there a way to know whether there is any statistical difference between just using "1" - no impact of factors and the numbers you used?
 - Yes, and no - we can look at the priorities with/without weights

Recommendation Review



- Susan Grasso - If the complexity score is based on the survey results (0= a lot of money which residents did not want and 2 = a little less money which residents preferred), why would you adjust the score by your factor?
- Michael Ashooh - Is there a way to measure the impact of proposed projects in terms of number of residents or people affected by the project? Some highly ranked projects don't seem to me to likely affect a large number of residents
- Jane Zenaty - will there be a place for the Steering Committee to digest this information
 - Project Team will send matrix/ priority list to the steering committee after this meeting, and then the SC will get until the end of next week to review and provide feedback
- Jessica Coleman - this is a lot to digest - is there a more streamlined/boiled down version to get feedback on quickly?
 - Yes, look at recommendation prioritization, give us your reactions to that
- Lee - Everyone will have thoughts on priorities... but curious how the little sidewalk connector by Willow House/Country store scored at the bottom, when it's likely so easy and affordable compared with many other ideas. Combine with another low rank, redoing parking in front of Country Store, challenging as that may be, seems a relatively simple village core improvement.
- Lee - Also hoping that ranking might be considered through several different "lenses" - for ex, affordability/achievability, high value or impact irrespective of cost, other possibilities
 - Depends on desired outcome of this project - one prioritized list vs several lists based on different lenses?
 - D&K can deliver spreadsheet to Town as a tool for future prioritization based on changing values in town.
- Susan Grasso - If we are going to evaluate the ranking according to how many people are impacted, I think we should consider also "who" is impacted. Kids, tourists, seniors, low income, etc. because this could affect how we think about prioritizing the needs of those groups. Just a thought.
- Steve Baietti - The shared path on Bay Road was rejected by the Select Board in 2017. I think I just read a slide stating that it is "recommended"
 - Lee/Adele - this was a very controversial topic at the time. THis should be kept on a list somewhere for now, but whether it's recommended or just an idea, is unclear
 - Does this recommendation need to be revisited entirely? Lee urges us to be flexible in wording
- Michael Ashooh - Is it possible to "regionalize" the rankings? IE separate out ranking for Village Core vs Rural vs Rt 7 Corridor and see how the rankings would stack up within the regions rather than between all?
 - The geography of Shelburne is not that big. How would you then prioritize projects within each region?



- In general, interested in using this spreadsheet to find different outcomes, etc, and have flexibility in how this information is used
- Adele also notes that this will inform Town's recommendations as development occurs in Town
- Bryan Davis - Reminder that CCRPC is also updating the regional Active Transportation Plan, which is an opportunity to share your comments. Broader outreach happening soon, note an online map on the project website to share barriers/desired connections: <https://www.ccrpcvt.org/our-work/our-plans/regional-bikeped-plan/>
- Jessica Coleman - when the info is presented to the public, should be more clear about what is being recommended/prioritized - is it specific designs, different areas, different types of project?
- Jason - should we include a criteria about project readiness?
 - Project team to marinate

Next Steps

- Project team will send recommendations and matrix to the Steering Committee, comments by May 6
- Tentative date for Community Forum 2 is Wed, May 25