

11 Immediate Action Strategies

The Steering Committee developed 203 strategies to achieve the goals of this Plan. While every one of the 203 strategies is important, listed here are eleven strategies the Steering Committee identified as immediate action items to build a firm foundation for implementing the full Comprehensive Plan and to address immediate needs:

- Work with local and regional conservation organizations to identify high priority natural resources, open space, and recreational land to be conserved or protected. (2.1)
- Evaluate the Town's existing Open Space Conservation Subdivision (OSCS) Zoning Development Ordinance to better serve preservation of natural resources. (2.6)
- Plan for, develop, and manage opportunities for residents to access and enjoy the Town's limited marine resources. (3.1)
- Establish an Economic Development Committee (EDC) to develop a vision for economic opportunities and a business recruitment plan. (4.1)
- Conduct design charrettes (workshops) for the area surrounding Short Sands Road to determine the appropriate mix of uses for this site, incorporating business, residential, and recreational opportunities. (4.4)
- Create a Community Housing Committee to address the range of housing costs and types needed in York. (5.4)
- Commission a comprehensive transportation, traffic, and parking study for the town. (7.1)
- Perform a complete re-evaluation and re-writing of the existing Zoning Ordinance to ensure that York's zoning clearly matches the goals for each Future Land Use area and is easy to understand, streamlined, and modernized. (8.1)
- Assign responsibility for implementing the Future Land Use Plan to the appropriate committee, board, or official. (8.8)
- Consider conducting a needs assessment for Town staffing and volunteer boards to understand capacity and resources needed to address increasing resident needs and expectations for services. (8.50)
- Explore hiring or sharing a regional Sustainability Coordinator to implement climate adaptation and mitigation strategies. (8.59)