Vision Statement

The Town of Leicester will be an evolving and sustainable community of engaged residents enjoying a high quality of life that celebrates and preserves our rich history.

Goals

Bolster the Town’s tax base by enabling commercial and residential development

Near term focus on…

• Increase commercial, residential and mixed use properties
  o Create the appropriate mix of residential housing and density
  o Foster other desirable land use categories including agriculture, conservation and preservation
• Work with the Planning Board to review related bylaws, recommend changes and develop planning strategies
• Enable and promote commercial development along major roadways
• Reduce impact of blighted properties

Enhance communication with residents and stakeholders to help ensure insight into the operations of the Town, aid in community involvement and continue to build productive relationships

Near term focus on…

• Update and educate the public on current status of and vision for financial and capital goals
• Build general community awareness and involvement
• Improve relationship with Becker College (especially regarding Leicester Center)
• Continue open relationships with boards and committees

Develop the infrastructure and services of the Town to improve the quality of life of residents and enable desired development

Near term focus on…

• Public Facilities
  o Fire Station
  o Highway Barn
  o School Facilities
• Utilities
  o Water/Wastewater
  o Stormwater
  o Natural Gas
• Recreation
  o Review current assets and develop strategies for better utilization of recreational space
  o Provide more programs
• Protect historic character of the community

Continually assess and improve the operations of the Town to ensure the most effective, efficient and modern practices are used in the delivery of services to residents and stakeholders

Near term focus on…

• Staff development
• Business processes
• Utilize technology to enhance and improve operations including how we interact with residents
• Support the School Committee in improving K-12 education