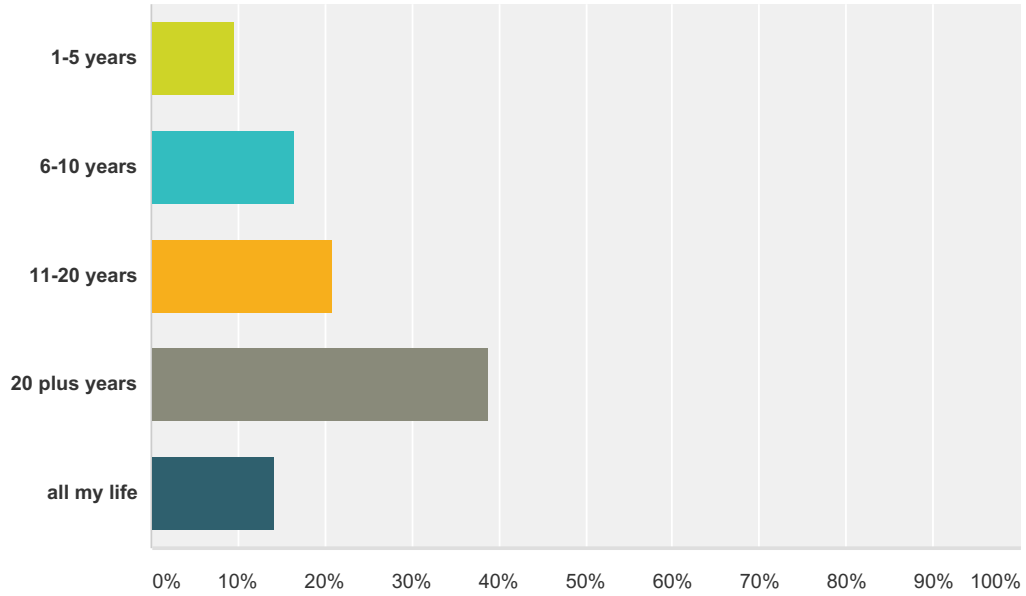


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Q1 In order to best understand the perspectives of those living in Addison, please tell us a little bit about yourself. How long have you lived in Addison?

Answered: 134 Skipped: 0

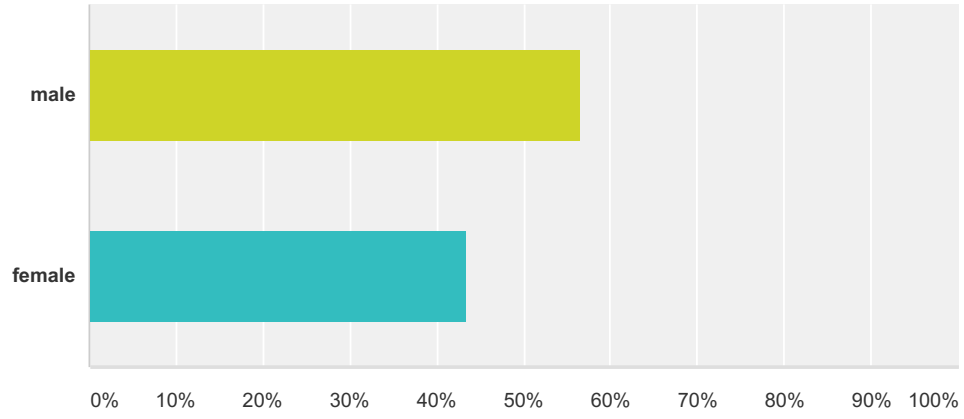


| Answer Choices | Responses | |
|----------------|-----------|------------|
| 1-5 years | 9.70% | 13 |
| 6-10 years | 16.42% | 22 |
| 11-20 years | 20.90% | 28 |
| 20 plus years | 38.81% | 52 |
| all my life | 14.18% | 19 |
| Total | | 134 |

Q2 Gender?

Answered: 131 Skipped: 3

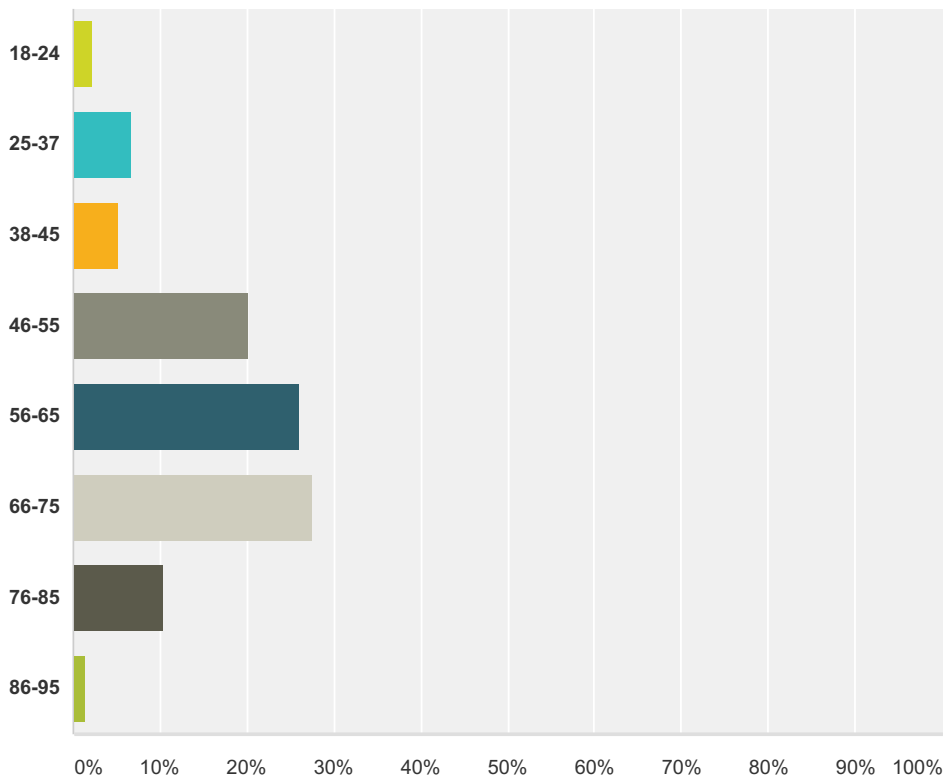
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| Answer Choices | Responses |
|----------------|------------|
| male | 56.49% 74 |
| female | 43.51% 57 |
| Total | 131 |

Q3 From the choices below, what age bracket are you in?

Answered: 134 Skipped: 0



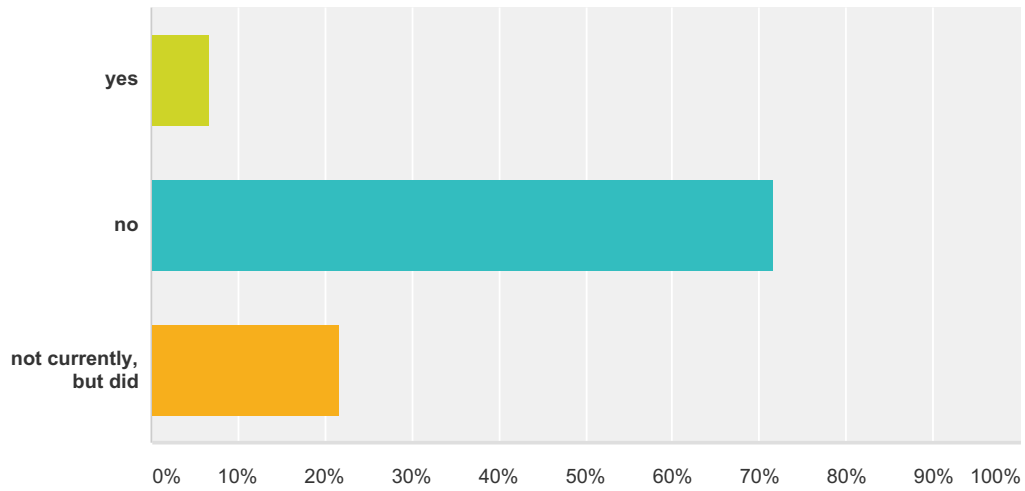
| Answer Choices | Responses |
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| 18-24 | 2.24% 3 |

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| 25-37 | 6.72% | 9 |
| 38-45 | 5.22% | 7 |
| 46-55 | 20.15% | 27 |
| 56-65 | 26.12% | 35 |
| 66-75 | 27.61% | 37 |
| 76-85 | 10.45% | 14 |
| 86-95 | 1.49% | 2 |
| Total | | 134 |

Q4 Do you have children at the Addison Elementary School?

Answered: 134 Skipped: 0

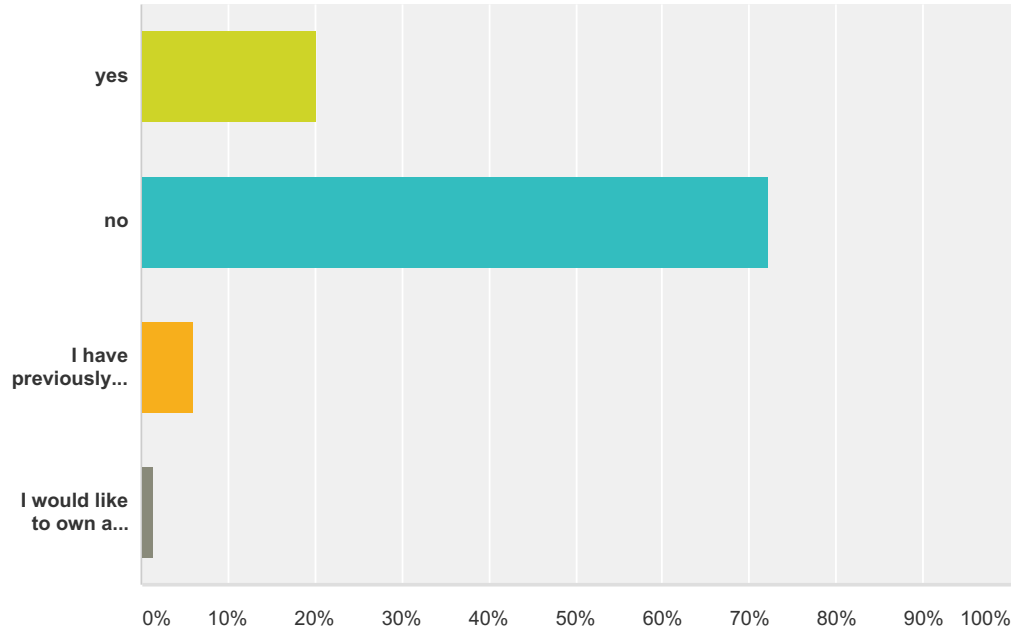


| Answer Choices | Responses |
|------------------------|------------|
| yes | 6.72% 9 |
| no | 71.64% 96 |
| not currently, but did | 21.64% 29 |
| Total | 134 |

Q5 Do you own a business in the Town of Addison?

Answered: 133 Skipped: 1

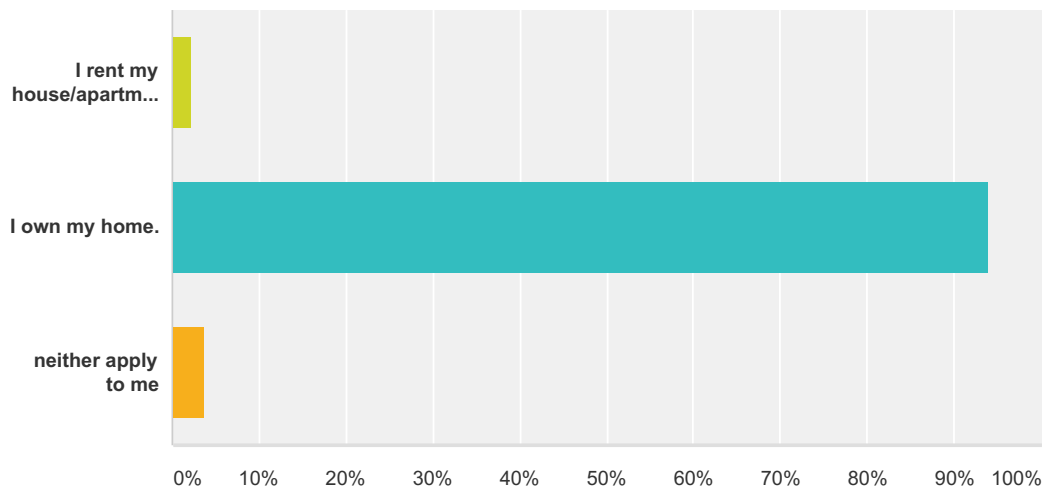
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| Answer Choices | Responses |
|--|------------|
| yes | 20.30% 27 |
| no | 72.18% 96 |
| I have previously owned a business in town | 6.02% 8 |
| I would like to own a business in town | 1.50% 2 |
| Total | 133 |

Q6 Which answer best applies to you?

Answered: 134 Skipped: 0



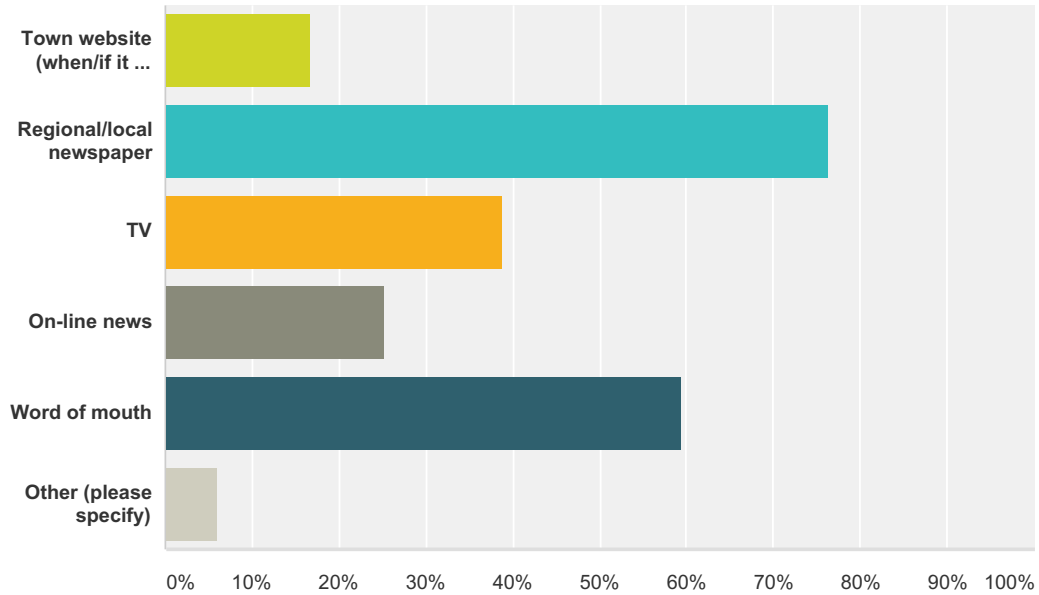
| Answer Choices | Responses |
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| I rent my house/apartment. | 2.24% 3 |

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| I own my home. | 94.03% | 126 |
| neither apply to me | 3.73% | 5 |
| Total | | 134 |

Q7 How do you find out about local news and events? Choose all that apply.

Answered: 131 Skipped: 3



| Answer Choices | Responses |
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| Town website (when/if it was up and running again) | 16.79% 22 |
| Regional/local newspaper | 76.34% 100 |
| TV | 38.93% 51 |
| On-line news | 25.19% 33 |
| Word of mouth | 59.54% 78 |
| Other (please specify) | 6.11% 8 |
| Total Respondents: 131 | |

| # | Other (please specify) | Date |
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| 1 | facebook | 4/6/2015 11:47 AM |
| 2 | mail card | 3/28/2015 10:04 PM |
| 3 | town gossip | 3/27/2015 5:06 PM |
| 4 | Random, but often either signs posted in front of a bldg. or random discussion. | 3/25/2015 11:50 PM |
| 5 | card | 3/24/2015 2:09 PM |
| 6 | driveing | 3/22/2015 6:08 PM |

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| 7 | Don't hear news often. | 3/21/2015 11:22 AM |
| 8 | Front Porch Forum | 3/5/2015 12:47 PM |

Q8 What do you love most about living in the Town of Addison?

Answered: 106 Skipped: 28

| # | Responses | Date |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1 | location - near midd, vergennes, neighbors and scenery | 4/17/2015 3:57 PM |
| 2 | Open and low density. | 4/17/2015 3:47 PM |
| 3 | Open land | 4/17/2015 3:40 PM |
| 4 | While our town is small we have a chance to see what our children and grandchildren would like to see in the future. Growth for seasonal homes, year round and business are needed for town to stay above hard times without constant growth. | 4/17/2015 3:33 PM |
| 5 | I am familiar with the history of the town as my family was among the early settlers. | 4/17/2015 3:06 PM |
| 6 | The people | 4/17/2015 2:59 PM |
| 7 | We love the rural area and are looking for it to grow as it has become too expensive for taxes. People are more friendly than larger towns. We love the four seasons and especially the lake in the summer. We don't mind the travel to work. The stores are local and not very far away. | 4/17/2015 2:50 PM |
| 8 | country setting views proximity to middlebury | 4/17/2015 2:21 PM |
| 9 | the openness of the community our situation on the lake | 4/17/2015 1:58 PM |
| 10 | The beauty of the valley and mountains as well as proximity to the lake, and surrounding towns. Being close to Middlebury is terrific, and we're a similarly short drive to Vergennes, Bristol and Brandon. We love the can-do and helpful attitude of our neighbors and the events in surrounding towns. | 4/14/2015 11:30 AM |
| 11 | Family interaction | 4/13/2015 6:30 PM |
| 12 | Beautiful landscape, wildlife, quiet, clean air, nice people, peaceful way of life, Snake Mountain, Dead Creek | 4/12/2015 11:24 AM |
| 13 | Rural qualities; the lake; the serenity. | 4/12/2015 10:31 AM |
| 14 | Being away from city living. Small town with knowing our neighbors and friends Close to hannafor, Shaw and local stores and walmart not far from middlebury and vergennes with malls in Burligton, S. Burlington, Richmond not far from doctor office in Midd and Vergennes close to camp grounds, swimming and boating | 4/6/2015 4:04 PM |
| 15 | rural town with potential growth to stay afloat (with) eatery establishments, museums, maina, mini golf, giftsotore, camping area, large grocery store, laundry mat, car repairs shop and first line response | 4/6/2015 2:02 PM |
| 16 | people the view | 4/6/2015 1:51 PM |
| 17 | quiet | 4/6/2015 1:44 PM |
| 18 | the views | 4/6/2015 1:37 PM |
| 19 | rural nature of town | 4/6/2015 1:16 PM |
| 20 | community | 4/6/2015 12:57 PM |
| 21 | local control | 4/6/2015 12:51 PM |
| 22 | the people who have lived here for generations the history the rural character | 4/6/2015 11:49 AM |
| 23 | Banana belt It isn't Lamoille County Goodies Snack Bar | 4/6/2015 11:34 AM |
| 24 | peaceful, rural | 4/6/2015 10:37 AM |
| 25 | small and agricultural | 4/6/2015 10:32 AM |

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| 26 | wide open spaces lake views mountain views | 4/6/2015 10:24 AM |
| 27 | Lake Champlain | 4/5/2015 7:58 PM |
| 28 | The beauty of the town, small Vermont town, proximity to Burlington and Middlebury. | 4/4/2015 8:02 PM |
| 29 | country | 4/3/2015 3:32 PM |
| 30 | its space and location - close to the lake, close to ski and hiking mountains, its size and population | 4/3/2015 3:18 PM |
| 31 | agricultural community snake mountain scenery | 4/3/2015 3:11 PM |
| 32 | rural community scenery historic sites lake | 4/3/2015 3:01 PM |
| 33 | It's quiet town | 4/3/2015 1:23 PM |
| 34 | Small town, small government | 4/2/2015 7:40 PM |
| 35 | The openness, sparcity of population. The neighbors. | 4/1/2015 9:28 PM |
| 36 | It is a very friendly town with a lot of history. I can sit on the lake and watch a sunset, walk on the streets, bike and enjoy the views, go to an auction, visit my neighbors, and just enjoy living in our cabin knowing that we have a great town. I have been coming to Addison since the early 1970's, renting a summer place for almost 16 years before buying a place in 2005 and now spending 6-8 months enjoying the lake. | 4/1/2015 6:20 PM |
| 37 | Good neighbors, open spaces, quiet country life, wildlife in my back yard and plenty of room for my dogs to play | 4/1/2015 8:34 AM |
| 38 | Open farm land Snake mountain Dirt roads No amenities Rural living | 3/31/2015 7:30 AM |
| 39 | Small community and great views | 3/30/2015 1:04 PM |
| 40 | Beautiful Country. GREAT school! | 3/29/2015 4:56 PM |
| 41 | Small town atmosphere, know your neighbors, low crime rate (usually), plus it's a beautiful place to live. | 3/29/2015 12:21 PM |
| 42 | The feeling of community | 3/29/2015 10:40 AM |
| 43 | that zoning hasn't permitted must of the rural look and feel to change. Unlike towns like port henry that have let trailer parks be built, Addison has kept it pretty much as it was since I grew up here. | 3/28/2015 5:43 PM |
| 44 | We have a summer home on Lake Champlain. It's a peaceful location in Potash Bay. | 3/28/2015 3:02 PM |
| 45 | The lake, The outdoors, the friendly people | 3/28/2015 11:40 AM |
| 46 | The beauty and serenity of this lovely farming community. | 3/27/2015 5:56 PM |
| 47 | I love the rural setting with its beautiful mountain views. | 3/27/2015 5:44 PM |
| 48 | CLEAN LAKE - Potash Bay, Paved Lake Road, speed laws that make biking safe. | 3/27/2015 5:21 PM |
| 49 | Small community neighbors helping neighbors rural community | 3/27/2015 5:10 PM |
| 50 | The small home town community | 3/27/2015 4:41 PM |
| 51 | country living | 3/27/2015 11:20 AM |
| 52 | Open spaces, no congestion, lake champlain, the people, less population and development pressure | 3/26/2015 8:12 PM |
| 53 | I love the views from the four corners. I appreciate the agricultural bent of this town with the basic conservative views of the farmers/residents, and the helpful nature they exhibit. | 3/26/2015 6:11 PM |
| 54 | Small town | 3/26/2015 12:53 PM |
| 55 | it,s snall town relaxed character. | 3/26/2015 11:17 AM |
| 56 | Regret the choice to live here. | 3/26/2015 12:00 AM |
| 57 | The lake! | 3/25/2015 2:52 PM |
| 58 | the community, the rural nature of the area, the lake, recreation | 3/25/2015 11:48 AM |
| 59 | the ruralness and farms and the lake | 3/25/2015 10:46 AM |
| 60 | clear air | 3/25/2015 10:38 AM |

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| 61 | The rural community. The beauty of the lake and surrounding areas. | 3/25/2015 8:39 AM |
| 62 | The view, the farmhouses with their barnyards and outbuildings, the friendliness of people, the feeling of security. Easy access to chef-owned, farm to table restaurants, as well as fresh local produce, groceries and organic coops. Also it's easy to find many cultural and recreational opportunities nearby. i.e. Dead Creek, Snake Mountain, the VAST, DAR Strong House, and others including the lake and Champlain Bikeway. | 3/24/2015 11:02 PM |
| 63 | Beautiful landscape, abundant opportunities for outdoor activities - biking, hiking, birdwatching, cross country skiing, vast trail. Friendly neighbors. Proximity to neighboring towns. | 3/24/2015 9:44 PM |
| 64 | The land and the warmer than the rest of Vermont weather. | 3/24/2015 7:35 PM |
| 65 | Peaceful | 3/24/2015 6:56 PM |
| 66 | Beautiful views Space Good friends and caring neighbors Friendly help at the Town Office Friendly and convenient corner stores (WAGS and 4 Corners) Conscientious and effective keepers of our roads | 3/24/2015 6:51 PM |
| 67 | Rural | 3/24/2015 3:38 PM |
| 68 | Lake Champlain | 3/24/2015 2:13 PM |
| 69 | Lake Champlain is clean, and quiet on the shores of Addison, due to it's location at the south end of the main lake. There is also good hiking at Snake Mountain. Both the Addison General Store and the West Addison General Store are very nice stops for daily grocery needs. People are generally friendly and helpful. | 3/24/2015 11:13 AM |
| 70 | It's "old" Vermont charm -- life the way it used to be years ago when growing up and the people. It's beauty of farm and lake and mountains. | 3/24/2015 11:11 AM |
| 71 | 1. The rural atmosphere 2. Great, caring neighbors 3. The Yankee spirit of independence 4. A live and let live attitude, but when someone's in need assistance is freely given 5. The relative safety of the area 6. The chance to observe a variety of wildlife from one's back door | 3/24/2015 10:58 AM |
| 72 | Rural charm steeped in agriculture and convenience of Middlebury and Ticonderoga being in close proximity. Laid back lifestyle | 3/24/2015 10:58 AM |
| 73 | Scenic beauty, Snake Mountain, quiet and rural | 3/24/2015 10:56 AM |
| 74 | Proximity to middlebury-Burlington area and Lake Champlain. Rural lifestyle and views. | 3/24/2015 10:34 AM |
| 75 | I have lake front summer property and as teachers it was our summer residence. now retired and horse farming in ny. | 3/24/2015 9:02 AM |
| 76 | Closeness of the lake and privacy while not having to go far to town. | 3/24/2015 7:24 AM |
| 77 | The beauty and peace, living life close to the seasons in the fields. | 3/24/2015 6:34 AM |
| 78 | wide open spaces.....not developed | 3/23/2015 10:02 PM |
| 79 | Good people, low taxes, rural setting. | 3/23/2015 7:22 PM |
| 80 | Small town feeling and knowing most everybody. | 3/23/2015 7:20 PM |
| 81 | low population | 3/23/2015 5:53 PM |
| 82 | Living on Lake Champlain, rural areas and friendly people. | 3/23/2015 5:47 PM |
| 83 | Friendly folks. Rural. The Lake. | 3/23/2015 5:03 PM |
| 84 | Proximity to lake Champlain | 3/23/2015 3:02 PM |
| 85 | The mixture of farms, residences and the lake | 3/23/2015 2:16 PM |
| 86 | The quiet and limited traffic. The people. The scenery. | 3/23/2015 1:24 PM |
| 87 | country/rural living | 3/23/2015 12:11 PM |
| 88 | asof late only our neighbors | 3/23/2015 11:43 AM |
| 89 | my business isn't minded by government or my neighbors--(-to much) | 3/22/2015 6:17 PM |
| 90 | We are seasonal residents at 30 Broadview Lane on Potash Bay since 1974. We try to spend June-October here and enjoy Addison for it rural character, agriculture dominance and access to Lake Champlain. Neighbors and most everyone are friendly and helpful. It is quiet and we consider ourselves lucky to have a place here. | 3/21/2015 8:39 PM |

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| 91 | Rural nature where people mind their own business and don't try to create rules and laws the allow them to tell their neighbor what to do. | 3/21/2015 12:08 PM |
| 92 | Nice quiet town. | 3/21/2015 11:24 AM |
| 93 | location close to middlebury | 3/14/2015 6:38 AM |
| 94 | The view and the friendliness of most people and the openness caused by the farms. | 3/12/2015 8:44 PM |
| 95 | Friendly people and neighbors, the smallness of the community, the feeling of family | 3/9/2015 4:40 PM |
| 96 | rural character with mix of land uses | 3/7/2015 8:45 AM |
| 97 | My neighbors, our history and the mix of agriculture, recreational areas and scenic vistas. | 3/5/2015 12:55 PM |
| 98 | The access to Lake Champlain and the views of the lake and mountains. | 3/5/2015 10:50 AM |
| 99 | The wide open spaces and the natural beauty and waters. | 3/4/2015 8:45 PM |
| 100 | The open spaces and beauty of the landscape. The space between neighbors and the rural feeling. | 3/4/2015 9:37 AM |
| 101 | Beautiful landscape and good neighbors make it an ideal town to live as a retired person. | 3/4/2015 9:07 AM |
| 102 | Ive really met some great people in town. I also love the recreation opportunities - Snake Mtn, Dead Creek, Lake Champlain, DAR, etc. | 3/4/2015 8:54 AM |
| 103 | Rural / Agricultural setting | 3/4/2015 8:19 AM |
| 104 | Rural nature, not overcrowded with housing. | 3/3/2015 6:46 PM |
| 105 | It is very community based; people lend a hand when it is need. Love the rural aspect of it too. Very special here because we have the four seasons. Love the Farmers Market. | 3/3/2015 2:17 PM |
| 106 | Quiet, small town. Neighbors willing to help each other. | 3/3/2015 2:14 PM |

Q9 What about Addison would you like to stay the same?

Answered: 96 Skipped: 38

| # | Responses | Date |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 1 | the view to the Adirondacks from my house | 4/17/2015 3:57 PM |
| 2 | Open and low density. | 4/17/2015 3:47 PM |
| 3 | open land | 4/17/2015 3:40 PM |
| 4 | i like where the town grange is located | 4/17/2015 3:33 PM |
| 5 | the population | 4/17/2015 3:06 PM |
| 6 | Farms | 4/17/2015 2:59 PM |
| 7 | Town roads. We need to take a long view of where we are now. | 4/17/2015 2:50 PM |
| 8 | country, open spaces small diary farms | 4/17/2015 2:21 PM |
| 9 | its farming | 4/17/2015 1:58 PM |
| 10 | The small town feel. | 4/14/2015 11:30 AM |
| 11 | Mixed Farm and bedroom community | 4/13/2015 6:30 PM |
| 12 | Undeveloped land, beauty, open space, wetlands, forests, wildlife habitat | 4/12/2015 11:24 AM |
| 13 | Everything. | 4/12/2015 10:31 AM |

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| 14 | not much we need to look ahead and plan not for what we want but what would our children and grandchildren and great grandchildren want Addison to look like when they get older. The Grange hall should be removed by the Baptist Church with the spare left open. The two buildings are too close to each other with a busy | 4/6/2015 4:04 PM |
| 15 | people view | 4/6/2015 1:51 PM |
| 16 | store, school | 4/6/2015 1:44 PM |
| 17 | the open land and lake | 4/6/2015 1:37 PM |
| 18 | open views of the lake and mountains | 4/6/2015 1:16 PM |
| 19 | small town | 4/6/2015 12:57 PM |
| 20 | the school needs to stay open | 4/6/2015 11:49 AM |
| 21 | most everything | 4/6/2015 11:34 AM |
| 22 | everything | 4/6/2015 10:37 AM |
| 23 | small and agricultural | 4/6/2015 10:32 AM |
| 24 | natural resources bucolic nature farming clean lake | 4/6/2015 10:24 AM |
| 25 | the pastoral views and lack of major commercial development | 4/5/2015 7:58 PM |
| 26 | Like it as is. | 4/4/2015 8:02 PM |
| 27 | fields without 100's of solar panels and the elementary school | 4/3/2015 3:18 PM |
| 28 | farm community rural landscape | 4/3/2015 3:11 PM |
| 29 | all of the above | 4/3/2015 3:01 PM |
| 30 | everythinbg | 4/3/2015 1:23 PM |
| 31 | Let people live they way they want to live. | 4/2/2015 7:40 PM |
| 32 | The seeming stability. It's is a rural, a farming community. Even the flatlanders are committed to keeping a sense of a place that it not stuck in the past, but keeping abreast of advances in farming science and wanting the town to be a viable community. | 4/1/2015 9:28 PM |
| 33 | I really don't want anything to change. I know that there are some who want to see improvements and expansion but I want it to remain the same. I love the feeling of coming over the bridge and seeing the same views that first brought me to VT in the early 1970's. I love that WAGS is the same and that the same bird's nest is over the door at 4 Corners each spring. I love the Fire Department breakfasts, the Church dinners, and the fact that we are a community. | 4/1/2015 6:20 PM |
| 34 | Minimal Developments | 4/1/2015 8:34 AM |
| 35 | All listed above in q8 Do not add any improvements | 3/31/2015 7:30 AM |
| 36 | Great views | 3/30/2015 1:04 PM |
| 37 | The School. Without the school, there does not seem to be a community. I only got to know my neighbors after I had a child go to the school. | 3/29/2015 4:56 PM |
| 38 | Same as # 8 | 3/29/2015 12:21 PM |
| 39 | The rural quality | 3/29/2015 10:40 AM |
| 40 | Kept it's character. Limit further lakeside development. | 3/28/2015 5:43 PM |
| 41 | Not sure as we are part time residents and do not vote in Addison. | 3/28/2015 3:02 PM |
| 42 | All in question 8 | 3/28/2015 11:40 AM |
| 43 | See above as well as efficient publics services. | 3/27/2015 5:56 PM |
| 44 | The rural setting with its beautiful mountain views. | 3/27/2015 5:44 PM |
| 45 | Clean, litter free, good citizenship. | 3/27/2015 5:21 PM |
| 46 | agriculture nature | 3/27/2015 5:10 PM |

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| 47 | All of the above | 3/26/2015 8:12 PM |
| 48 | Wide open agricultural fields. Being able to see the mountains on either side | 3/26/2015 6:11 PM |
| 49 | Small | 3/26/2015 12:53 PM |
| 50 | The rural Vermont character which it now has. | 3/26/2015 11:17 AM |
| 51 | Distance between neighbors. | 3/26/2015 12:00 AM |
| 52 | Wags | 3/25/2015 2:52 PM |
| 53 | ruralness | 3/25/2015 10:46 AM |
| 54 | The rural community. The beauty of the lake and surrounding areas. | 3/25/2015 8:39 AM |
| 55 | The open vistas and feeling of farm fields and mountains. Preserve the rural character. Don't junk it up with industrial development. We are fortunate to have a number of historic structures i.e. Town Hall, Baptist Church, George Willmarth house and others. A way to preserve what we all love is to find ways to encourage responsible development. | 3/24/2015 11:02 PM |
| 56 | Preserve at all cost the rural characture of the town. The agricultural businesses, the recreational opportunites of Snake Mtn & Dead Creek Wild Life areas. | 3/24/2015 9:44 PM |
| 57 | The land, the live and let live attitude, my neighbors, Lake Champlain. | 3/24/2015 7:35 PM |
| 58 | The phases of the moon | 3/24/2015 6:56 PM |
| 59 | All the above | 3/24/2015 6:51 PM |
| 60 | Rural | 3/24/2015 3:38 PM |
| 61 | all things change | 3/24/2015 2:13 PM |
| 62 | Light traffic, friendly people, access to the lake, and trails for hiking and biking. | 3/24/2015 11:13 AM |
| 63 | Keeping life simple as per the above comments. | 3/24/2015 11:11 AM |
| 64 | 1. The rural atmosphere mentioned above 2. That our school children have the best education possible, (whether at the Addison facility or elsewhere, i.e.tuitioned to another school/district) 3. | 3/24/2015 10:58 AM |
| 65 | Deep agricultural roots and current use open space to remain intact for next generation. | 3/24/2015 10:58 AM |
| 66 | See above | 3/24/2015 10:56 AM |
| 67 | Small town atmosphere and freedom to pursue various interests on one's own property. Fresh air and plenty of good water. Reasonable property taxes. | 3/24/2015 10:34 AM |
| 68 | small town location | 3/24/2015 9:02 AM |
| 69 | Small town feel. | 3/24/2015 7:24 AM |
| 70 | Same as #8 | 3/24/2015 6:34 AM |
| 71 | same as above | 3/23/2015 10:02 PM |
| 72 | If financially feasible keeping the Addison Central School open. | 3/23/2015 7:20 PM |
| 73 | farms, low population | 3/23/2015 5:53 PM |
| 74 | Have the rural areas stay rural. | 3/23/2015 5:47 PM |
| 75 | Friendly folks. Rural atmosphere and open space. Help keep the remaining farms going. | 3/23/2015 5:03 PM |
| 76 | Maintain the rural condition | 3/23/2015 2:16 PM |
| 77 | Quiet | 3/23/2015 1:24 PM |
| 78 | everything but taxes | 3/23/2015 12:11 PM |
| 79 | as it was 20 years ago | 3/23/2015 11:43 AM |
| 80 | see above! | 3/22/2015 6:17 PM |

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| 81 | Rural character and agriculture remaining a major influence in town. | 3/21/2015 8:39 PM |
| 82 | Small population | 3/21/2015 12:08 PM |
| 83 | Rural quality to land. No overdevelopment. | 3/21/2015 11:24 AM |
| 84 | safety | 3/14/2015 6:38 AM |
| 85 | The scenery without all these solar panels that do not pay for themselves without government hand outs. Keep the school open, go independent with it even! It has a great principal now to go forward with. | 3/12/2015 8:44 PM |
| 86 | active and thriving agricultural sector | 3/7/2015 8:45 AM |
| 87 | Our rural agrarian setting and community. | 3/5/2015 12:55 PM |
| 88 | A community that cares about its fellow citizens. One way this is shown is through the support for county organizations like the Bixby Library, HOPE, etc. | 3/5/2015 10:50 AM |
| 89 | open spaces, natural scenic surroundings and access to waters. | 3/4/2015 8:45 PM |
| 90 | The beauty and feeling of bucolic rurality. | 3/4/2015 9:37 AM |
| 91 | I would like the scenic views to stay the same by supporting smart development and reducing housing sprawl. | 3/4/2015 9:07 AM |
| 92 | keeping the school open and thriving access to great recreation - mountains, lake, rivers my age. | 3/4/2015 8:54 AM |
| 93 | Rural / Agricultural setting | 3/4/2015 8:19 AM |
| 94 | Open spaces, whether agricultural or wild. | 3/3/2015 6:46 PM |
| 95 | Do not want to see any major growth around the area. Preserve the natural landscape and wetlands. Not happy about a "dollar" store in Vergennes. | 3/3/2015 2:17 PM |
| 96 | Would hate to ever see the school closed. | 3/3/2015 2:14 PM |

Q10 What changes would most improve the Town of Addison?

Answered: 92 Skipped: 42

| # | Responses | Date |
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| 1 | 1. a tower transmitter for cell phones 2. restrictions to prevent mountain views from being obscured by anything erected or planted, woods etc. 3. town center at 4 corners of routes 17 and 22A | 4/17/2015 3:57 PM |
| 2 | no changes | 4/17/2015 3:47 PM |
| 3 | lower taxes so retired people don't have to leave or sell their homes, tax second home owners more! | 4/17/2015 3:40 PM |
| 4 | town clerks office located in the west side and at at sometimes the fire station to have all the town buildings some what near each other and away from four corners high traffic area. Smaller lots is a must for Assison. Having the Baptiste Church taken down the structure to close to Route 22A and Route 17 west it is an eye sore. | 4/17/2015 3:33 PM |
| 5 | rehabilitate the old town hall | 4/17/2015 3:06 PM |
| 6 | more younger people | 4/17/2015 2:59 PM |
| 7 | Reduce lot size for future growth. have the Town Clerk in the west side in an areas for a own center around the garage. Close the school. Their is no room in our area for a town center so it should move west on Lake Street. Pave more roads. | 4/17/2015 2:50 PM |
| 8 | close small school lower taxes | 4/17/2015 2:21 PM |
| 9 | some young families, more older, lower income families | 4/17/2015 1:58 PM |

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| 10 | It would be nice to have a real town hall building for meetings and events, as well as some more small, local businesses near the Four Corners store. As a runner and walker (and I have confirmed the need for this with many neighbors), it would help to put up "Slow Down and Share the Road" signs along Route 17 and other roads. Some drivers are good about slowing down when they see me out there, but many don't and barely move around me. If I'm running on an unpaved road and cars and trucks don't slow down, the vehicles kick up dust and rocks. It's Vermont. We love that there is open scenery everywhere but many of us have to take to the open roads because there no sidewalks, no groomed running/walking paths we can access directly from our scattered homes. | 4/14/2015 11:30 AM |
| 11 | Better townspeople involvement | 4/13/2015 6:30 PM |
| 12 | * I don't know if there are any restrictions on renewable energy, but if so, I believe that there should not be restrictions, so that residents are allowed to install solar, wind, or geothermal in order to stop using fossil fuels. I don't believe that solar panels or wind turbines damage the beautiful views in any way. * Encourage farmers to use 100% biofuels in their tractors instead of fossil diesel oil. This is not only the right thing to do to help curb climate change, it would also dramatically reduce low level air pollution that causes asthma and cancers. The smell and decreased air quality from burning diesel fuel is by far the worst thing about living in Addison. | 4/12/2015 11:24 AM |
| 13 | Reduce property taxes. | 4/12/2015 10:31 AM |
| 14 | Town Center around WAGS on Lake St. near Town Garage. Fire department move to Lake St. sometime. Business development east of WAGS. Town Clerks near Town Garage, Mound system for Town Clerk, Fire depart and (can't read). Allow a single mound system. Proposed mound system should be carefully drawn. Four corners-poor location. The gift is not acceptable with conditions. Its just not propoer to mic municipal with the church, other businesses and prospective houses. This is not something everyone can live up to in the future. Each non-profit business and houses should be responsible for their own mound/septic systems. There needs to be instant growth with houses and seasonal camps to h elp with property taxes. A Town Clerks office the size of a ranch house iwth cellar is all that is needed. We don't need three floors that might be high posted with an elevator expense with not much parking cover and too close to the corners. | 4/6/2015 4:04 PM |
| 15 | Have a Town Center on Lake St. Fire Department also on Lake st. The Baptist church to re..the former grange hall. Road nees to be wide at Addison four corners going west b/c there continues to be concerns and issues when vehicles atre parked beside the south side of the sotre, south only choice would be to widen the road toward the Baptist church.. Access a swimming area. | 4/6/2015 2:02 PM |
| 16 | more housing more rentals restaurant | 4/6/2015 1:44 PM |
| 17 | the new corners attitudes. the "rich" are moving in and building fancy houses and force the average person/families out. | 4/6/2015 1:37 PM |
| 18 | house lot size | 4/6/2015 12:51 PM |
| 19 | need a family restaurant on 22A | 4/6/2015 11:49 AM |
| 20 | taxes, wind, make neighbors clean up their yards | 4/6/2015 11:34 AM |
| 21 | keep things simple/small stop worrying what the state or other towns have/say | 4/6/2015 10:37 AM |
| 22 | change of politics in montpelier | 4/6/2015 10:32 AM |
| 23 | change school tax dependence on property tax | 4/6/2015 10:24 AM |
| 24 | more development | 4/6/2015 9:51 AM |
| 25 | Tri-town water for all. | 4/4/2015 8:02 PM |
| 26 | restoring the town hall a town beach on Lake Champlain | 4/3/2015 3:11 PM |
| 27 | replace some of the dirt roads with pavement dirt roads are expensive to maintain and tough on automobiles | 4/3/2015 3:01 PM |
| 28 | nothing | 4/3/2015 1:23 PM |
| 29 | Some cleanup of the larger farms | 4/2/2015 7:40 PM |

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| 30 | As a taxpayer without representation being a non-resident I would like a say in how my tax dollars are spent. Being able to vote/participate in town meetings or elections would be ideal. However, my parents owned property in Eastham, MA. The town has an annual non-resident taxpayers meeting. Something like that would let us feel that we had some input into the governance of the town. Most Non-residents are summer people. Ergo, a midsummer meeting would be best. School spending is unbalanced. A serious, unsentimental discussion of that issue must take place. I got a wonderful public school education. There were 32 kids in my 5th grade class. There was an efficiency in numbers lacking in the Addison school system. | 4/1/2015 9:28 PM |
| 31 | Locally we support the Fire Department and give them money each year. Thrilled that they were able to buy a boat and some new equipment. I love going to local meeting and I am especially proud of the various committees that are staffed by volunteers. They work long hours and get little recognition for the great work they are doing. I would like to keep our environment clean The only thing I really oppose is the idea of approval of subdivision of large lots into 1 acre lots. We need to assure that we don't approve these lots that become a water issue in the future. We have clay soil, which doesn't drain and we don't want to cause an environmental issue. | 4/1/2015 6:20 PM |
| 32 | Consolidation of school | 4/1/2015 8:34 AM |
| 33 | Less rules and regs Should not need to apply for a permit to put up a fence or put a deck or porch on your home | 3/31/2015 7:30 AM |
| 34 | Lower property taxes | 3/30/2015 1:04 PM |
| 35 | More community events. I'd also like to see the Town Hall renovated, Part for upgraded Town Clerk's Office and part for another gathering place. | 3/29/2015 4:56 PM |
| 36 | Encourage small businesses so that people would have a reason to stay here. Most of the town's land is already agricultural or in conservation so I think the rural character will stay intact. Small businesses not only would make it easier for residents to continue to live here but it might also add to the tax base of the town as well. Consider what types of businesses would blend nicely into the rural landscape and then do our best to make it easy for these types of businesses to start up in Addison. Vermont is becoming the Napa Valley of the east with it many start-up breweries, perhaps businesses such as this would be a good fit for us. | 3/29/2015 12:21 PM |
| 37 | The balance of taxes is out of whack. Some of these farms are multi-generations and quite wealthy and folks like us that live lakeside are socked with a high axe rate. In fact the rates have drove some older folks to sell. So I'd like to see an re-assessment that shifted the burden a bit. In particular for those individuals owning more than 30 acres. | 3/28/2015 5:43 PM |
| 38 | Can not think of anything significant | 3/28/2015 11:40 AM |
| 39 | I worry about the high speeds on largely unpatrolled roads and the danger this poses to other motorists as well as to cyclists. I would like to see some cooperative action taken to reduce agricultural runoff into the waterways. | 3/27/2015 5:56 PM |
| 40 | Please ensure that our beautiful vistas and scenic farmland are not scarred by solar trackers. | 3/27/2015 5:44 PM |
| 41 | Keep protecting the Lake from farm run off. | 3/27/2015 5:21 PM |
| 42 | we really need more COMERCIAL zoning in town | 3/27/2015 5:10 PM |
| 43 | more activities for all ages | 3/27/2015 11:20 AM |
| 44 | Planning and zoning concentrating on Preservation of rural atmosphere -eg preservation of nights sky in development No " box" gasoline stations Elimination of culvert runoff into lake champlain Development of a community beach access to the lake Consolidate the town municipal offices into one place with a meeting hall Increase bests farming practices to exclude lake runoff with incentives or financial help | 3/26/2015 8:12 PM |
| 45 | Would like to see the old town hall repaired and made presentable. | 3/26/2015 6:11 PM |
| 46 | Lower taxes. | 3/26/2015 12:53 PM |
| 47 | Would like to see a rather small and focused shopping area on route 22a | 3/26/2015 11:17 AM |
| 48 | Adherence to state statute by officers. | 3/26/2015 12:00 AM |
| 49 | Better attention to zoning | 3/25/2015 2:52 PM |
| 50 | slowing down the speeding truck traffic on Rt 125 and 17 near the Champlain bridge. Also reducing the truck usage of engine breaks. Signs perhaps? | 3/25/2015 10:46 AM |
| 51 | broadband internet cell phone tower | 3/25/2015 10:38 AM |

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| 52 | Help clean up the lake: Need to get serious with farm run off impact on Lake Champlain. In the 30 plus years I have owned property in West Addison, we have gone from no lake weed infestation above the bridge to all the bays being clogged with weeds far north of the bridge. I have seen boats stranded on the mass of weeds that grow off shore where once one only had to be concerned about rocks during low water levels. Fair property taxes: The property tax structure is designed to subsidize the agricultural community at the expense of lake front owners (nothing new here). Are we subsidizing a main source of lake pollution? | 3/25/2015 8:39 AM |
| 53 | As few as possible. That said, a gradual upgrade of existing structures and usage will continue. We should not restrict new development, but have rules to guide it to blend into the existing structures. A website that works is essential. The website the town HAD really helped my family find the resources we needed when we first moved. Who to call to get a question answered and links to emergency or public works departments, even the dog warden. We have lots of traffic that travels along 17 & 22a. We need to give those people more of a reason to shop in Addison by making it a true town center, a destination. The addition of places for locals to gather : a cafe or place for a sit-down meal; a farm stand or weekend farmer's market for local produce would be attractive to locals and tourists, along with supporting local agriculture. Enhance what we have. Better signage to our assets and make our public spaces visually appealing. Snake Mountain trailhead needs help, as does Town Hall. A few volunteer days would help. Focus a Green Day on cleanup, painting and planting the Corners. The town already has great infrastructure for home-based businesses. The towns farms and agricultural businesses were the first home-based businesses. Having now the new ultrafast fiber optic internet lines spreading around town will help any type of agricultural or home business anyone can dream of. | 3/24/2015 11:02 PM |
| 54 | Enhancement of 'the corners' to preserve and showcase the historic Vermont village architecture & to be a meeting place for locals as well as visitors. The historic village Town Hall, the Baptist Church and the George Willmarth House along w/ the existing store / sandwich shop on the west side of Rt 22A should be enhanced as a destination. The village would benefit from preservation & development of the bldgs on the east side of the highway. An enhanced grocery shop featuring local produce, honey, syrup, dairy, etc. or a small farmers market - - a business which could become more of a regular meeting place for neighbors and visitors. Maybe a cafe where folks would visit over coffee, a sandwich, a dessert, and vistsors would linger after birdwatching at Dead Creek or Hiking Snake Mtn. Enlist the Addison garden club to landscape the existing buildings w/ heirloom flowers blooming all summer. Also, Snake Mtn hiking trails are a VERY popular Addison destination for visitors as well as locals in all seasons. Yet, the Mountain Rd trail head needs improvement. Frequently, hikers are confused at where the trail begins. They find the parking lot and appreciate a designated place to park, but then can't find the trail head. Signage at the trail and at the turn onto Willmarth Rd from 22A is needed for this important Addison attraction. | 3/24/2015 9:44 PM |
| 55 | Better communications between the town and the residents. | 3/24/2015 7:35 PM |
| 56 | Lower my g.d. taxes | 3/24/2015 6:56 PM |
| 57 | More incentive to improve personal properties: discarding trash, recycle and wrecked cars Motivate through incentives such as "best kept yards" or "most improved yards" receiving recognition by putting a sign in the yard of the winner, or certificate- or prize such as a small donation or gift certificate Establish a policy regarding discarded large items that are collected, and exposed close to street. Establish and carry out policies regarding private property owners having more than two unused, incapable of running vehicles exposed to view from the street | 3/24/2015 6:51 PM |
| 58 | Better corner store with more health foods. | 3/24/2015 3:38 PM |
| 59 | The water quality | 3/24/2015 2:13 PM |
| 60 | It would be great if the roads weren't caked with dirt and mud at certain times of the year. I like all the dairy farmers and their farms, but more could be done to keep the paved roads clear for motorists. More of a town center would also be nice, but I'm not sure where you would do it, or how viable it would be. | 3/24/2015 11:13 AM |
| 61 | 1. A way, other than property taxes, to pay for education (this will require State changes) 2. More small businesses or green manufacturing facilities that will draw in young families 3. | 3/24/2015 10:58 AM |
| 62 | Upgrade utility lines and communications. Natural gas availability for dual fuel capabilities. More open space opportunities for large acreage landowners not in current use. | 3/24/2015 10:58 AM |
| 63 | Public transit, better road maintenance, safer roads for cycling, perhaps a few more businesses at the Four Corners, ability to receive local tv broadcasts (lost when tv went digital), reduction of run off into streams and lake | 3/24/2015 10:56 AM |

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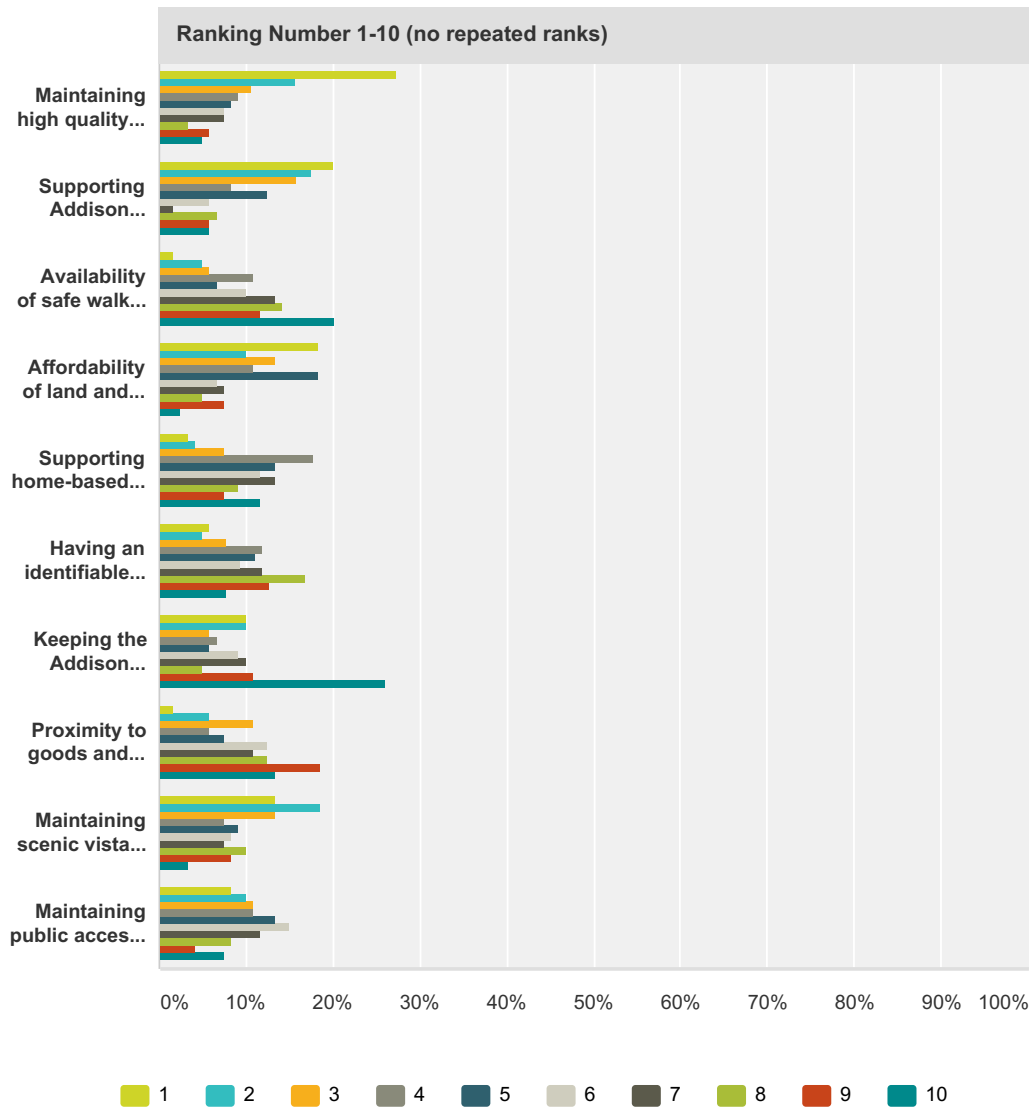
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| 64 | Ban or limit overnight trucking on 22A. The noise and pollution are ruining our quality of life as well as destroying the highway itself. Ban or restrict manure spreaders from roads and highways for the same reasons. Put a noise limit on vehicles including motorcycles, pickups, semi-trucks using jake brakes, etc. and require the current law enforcers to apprehend violators. Loosen building regulations to allow people of all incomes affordable housing. Create a town supervised buffer zone around all waterways, including Dead Creek, to prevent pollution from manure and GMO crop runoff. Work with local farmers to switch to organic farming to stop the proliferation of GMO based agriculture, especially corn growing. | 3/24/2015 10:34 AM |
| 65 | not over tax waterfront properties to save full time residents. | 3/24/2015 9:02 AM |
| 66 | Better maintained highways, With Wider Bike Lanes. Not more paved roads, just maintain the primary ones. | 3/24/2015 6:34 AM |
| 67 | big farms become organic1 | 3/23/2015 10:02 PM |
| 68 | Re-evaluate the plans to renovate and save the original town hall. If the school can fit enough people to attend town meetings why dump so much money into the old town hall building. Give the school more reason to be occupied even if that means moving the town clerks functions into part of the building. | 3/23/2015 7:20 PM |
| 69 | get rid of stupid people, people as a whole should work together | 3/23/2015 5:53 PM |
| 70 | Equatable lakefront property taxes. Taxes determined by actual home values, not what the neighbors have. | 3/23/2015 5:47 PM |
| 71 | Give up the local elementary school and consolidate with other towns. If done right this should lessen the tax burden. Obviously, if it doesn't lessen taxes or hold them steady then don't bother. There are definitely some benefits to small local schools. | 3/23/2015 5:03 PM |
| 72 | Would like to see more local businesses, specifically places to dine. | 3/23/2015 3:02 PM |
| 73 | Clean up of Lake Champlain to encourage the purchase of lakeshore properties, msintenance of town roads and encouraging the construction of residential properties to increase the tax base. | 3/23/2015 2:16 PM |
| 74 | Better options for internet access. I live on a State maintained Road (17) but wish it was maintained better in winter | 3/23/2015 1:24 PM |
| 75 | no changes | 3/23/2015 12:11 PM |
| 76 | go back to spending less money | 3/23/2015 11:43 AM |
| 77 | School choice vouchers | 3/22/2015 6:17 PM |
| 78 | The town should have a beach for its population. There are many miles of lakeshore and only a few places where there are decent beach access and would think the town fathers would try to find a place where any resident could go to a beach on their lake. There are some places residents do use on a hot day but a place where young families could go would improve quality of life. The Town of Ferrisburgh in the 1970's acquired such a place and it does get use and is well maintained. | 3/21/2015 8:39 PM |
| 79 | Eliminate most zoning regulations as they act as interference in everyone's property rights.. Appoint people to the various boards who either have some intelligence or can be at least open minded and not try an enforce their own likes and dislikes. | 3/21/2015 12:08 PM |
| 80 | business climate | 3/14/2015 6:38 AM |
| 81 | Not having to buy a ten acre lot to build on. | 3/12/2015 8:44 PM |
| 82 | Addison needs a nice Town Park, preferably near the school. There is the area in front of the school and behind the Town Clerk's Office, but there is nothing enticing there. | 3/9/2015 4:40 PM |
| 83 | change anti-development bias and hostility of planning commission and DRB which is precluding new housing, businesses, and thus resulting in declining school population, increased tax burden on the rest of us remaining. | 3/7/2015 8:45 AM |
| 84 | Restore the old Town Hall building to preserve our village center and increase civic awareness and pride. Ensure that existing legacy waste water systems are not negatively impacting Lake Champlain water quality. | 3/5/2015 12:55 PM |
| 85 | Renovation of the town hall into a "new" town office and community center. | 3/5/2015 10:50 AM |
| 86 | Developing a central town center | 3/4/2015 8:45 PM |
| 87 | Municipal transparency. Removal of unsightly junk in some yards. Control of sighting ugly solar arrays without consulting neighbors or regard to property value decline because of proximity to such construction. Better cell service. | 3/4/2015 9:37 AM |

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| 88 | An embracing of policies and plans for smart development that takes into consideration our town's future with regard to small business, tourism, and new housing. | 3/4/2015 9:07 AM |
| 89 | more community based events to meet people. Until I had a child in ACS, I really didnt know many of the towns people besides close friends. Its been great to get to know neighbors and other families through ACS. | 3/4/2015 8:54 AM |
| 90 | Town bike / hike path Less traffic on 17 / 22a Better teachers that cost less. | 3/4/2015 8:19 AM |
| 91 | Email circulation of town news. Also electronic distribution of town report (for those who elect this) to save printing costs. | 3/3/2015 6:46 PM |
| 92 | Again, would hate to see the school closed, but think we could benefit from a unified union and perhaps take some Panton residents as students at ACS. | 3/3/2015 2:14 PM |

Q11 Prioritize these topics from 1-10, without repeating a ranking (only one can be ranked 1, only one can be ranked 2 etc.) 1=most important 10=least important

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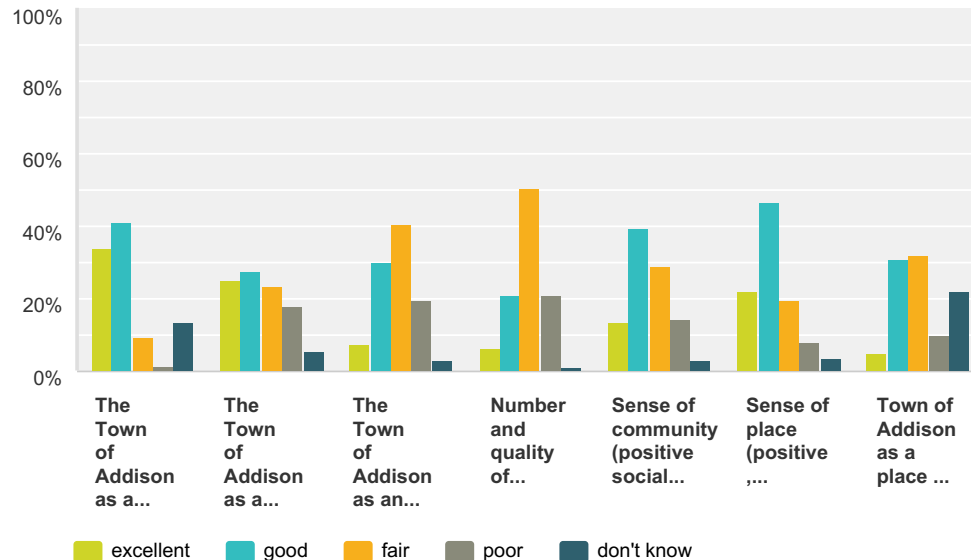


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| Ranking Number 1-10 (no repeated ranks) | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Total |
| Maintaining high quality natural resources - forests, water, soil etc. | 27.27% 33 | 15.70% 19 | 10.74% 13 | 9.09% 11 | 8.26% 10 | 7.44% 9 | 7.44% 9 | 3.31% 4 | 5.79% 7 | 4.96% 6 | 121 |
| Supporting Addison farms/agricultural businesses | 20.00% 24 | 17.50% 21 | 15.83% 19 | 8.33% 10 | 12.50% 15 | 5.83% 7 | 1.67% 2 | 6.67% 8 | 5.83% 7 | 5.83% 7 | 120 |
| Availability of safe walking and/or cycling paths | 1.68% 2 | 5.04% 6 | 5.88% 7 | 10.92% 13 | 6.72% 8 | 10.08% 12 | 13.45% 16 | 14.29% 17 | 11.76% 14 | 20.17% 24 | 119 |
| Affordability of land and housing | 18.33% 22 | 10.00% 12 | 13.33% 16 | 10.83% 13 | 18.33% 22 | 6.67% 8 | 7.50% 9 | 5.00% 6 | 7.50% 9 | 2.50% 3 | 120 |
| Supporting home-based business and the ability to work from home | 3.36% 4 | 4.20% 5 | 7.56% 9 | 17.65% 21 | 13.45% 16 | 11.76% 14 | 13.45% 16 | 9.24% 11 | 7.56% 9 | 11.76% 14 | 119 |
| Having an identifiable village center(s) with community services and amenities | 5.93% 7 | 5.08% 6 | 7.63% 9 | 11.86% 14 | 11.02% 13 | 9.32% 11 | 11.86% 14 | 16.95% 20 | 12.71% 15 | 7.63% 9 | 118 |
| Keeping the Addison Elementary School open | 10.08% 12 | 10.08% 12 | 5.88% 7 | 6.72% 8 | 5.88% 7 | 9.24% 11 | 10.08% 12 | 5.04% 6 | 10.92% 13 | 26.05% 31 | 119 |
| Proximity to goods and services (grocery, medical etc.) | 1.68% 2 | 5.88% 7 | 10.92% 13 | 5.88% 7 | 7.56% 9 | 12.61% 15 | 10.92% 13 | 12.61% 15 | 18.49% 22 | 13.45% 16 | 119 |
| Maintaining scenic vistas and other unique natural and cultural features | 13.45% 16 | 18.49% 22 | 13.45% 16 | 7.56% 9 | 9.24% 11 | 8.40% 10 | 7.56% 9 | 10.08% 12 | 8.40% 10 | 3.36% 4 | 119 |
| Maintaining public access to Lake Champlain and other recreation areas | 8.33% 10 | 10.00% 12 | 10.83% 13 | 10.83% 13 | 13.33% 16 | 15.00% 18 | 11.67% 14 | 8.33% 10 | 4.17% 5 | 7.50% 9 | 120 |

Q12 Please rate each of the following aspects of living in Addison.

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| | excellent | good | fair | poor | don't know | Total |
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| The Town of Addison as a place to raise children. | 33.87% 42 | 41.13% 51 | 9.68% 12 | 1.61% 2 | 13.71% 17 | 124 |
| The Town of Addison as a place to retire. | 25.20% 31 | 27.64% 34 | 23.58% 29 | 17.89% 22 | 5.69% 7 | 123 |
| The Town of Addison as an affordable place to live. | 7.26% 9 | 29.84% 37 | 40.32% 50 | 19.35% 24 | 3.23% 4 | 124 |
| Number and quality of amenities and services in Addison. | 6.50% 8 | 21.14% 26 | 50.41% 62 | 21.14% 26 | 0.81% 1 | 123 |
| Sense of community (positive social interactions/opportunities) . | 13.71% 17 | 39.52% 49 | 29.03% 36 | 14.52% 18 | 3.23% 4 | 124 |
| Sense of place (positive, familiar place/s to be and engage in). | 22.13% 27 | 46.72% 57 | 19.67% 24 | 8.20% 10 | 3.28% 4 | 122 |
| Town of Addison as a place to work or have a business. | 4.92% 6 | 31.15% 38 | 31.97% 39 | 9.84% 12 | 22.13% 27 | 122 |

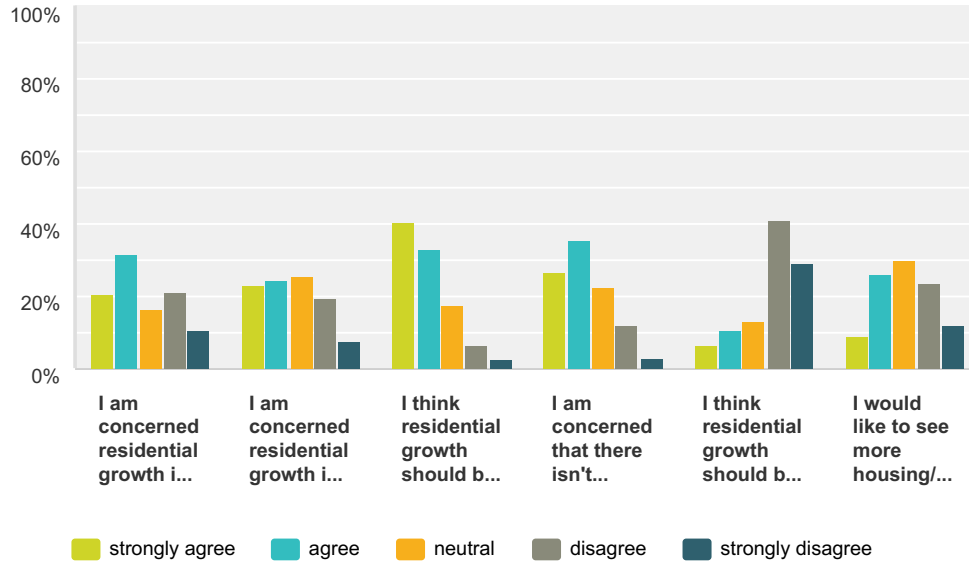
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| 1 | too cold | 4/6/2015 11:50 AM |
| 2 | Property taxes are making it unaffordable to live here or try to plan on retiring here as much as I absolutely love everything about Addison. | 4/4/2015 8:04 PM |
| 3 | A beautiful place to find peace and serenity. Lake Champlain and our mountains need to be preserved and stay safe so that future generation will be able to enjoy our rich environment and resources. | 4/1/2015 6:23 PM |
| 4 | Our business is Summer Vacation Rental; our children are grown; when we were raising our children in Addison, we found most of our culture, education, and social life in Vergennes. Right now Addison is a great place for Vacations, but during the Winter we would continue to seek culture from cities like Middlebury and Vergennes. The cultural "center" is WAGS, Rogers, and the Champlain Bridge museum. We also spend time and are members at LCMM. | 3/27/2015 5:26 PM |
| 5 | unethical predigious bias click one must be open and judge fairly on a equal, unbasis, continuous, fair delivery | 3/25/2015 10:40 AM |
| 6 | Number of amenities is fair. Quality of amenities is good. Quality of the services is excellent, especially road maintenance! | 3/24/2015 11:56 PM |
| 7 | Vermont sucks | 3/24/2015 2:15 PM |
| 8 | the town of Addison is probably as affordable or more then other places in VT. Vermont is not affordable right now with what the legislatures are doing for spending in the schools and unproductive government jobs etc . If they would stop spend, spend, spend that would help! | 3/12/2015 8:45 PM |
| 9 | Ongoing hostility to any kind of development is a problem. A new slate of board members is needed that doesn't hold current biases against development and business. Town plan and zoning regs need to be drastically rewritten to be far more permissive and ALLOW a lot more without jumping through ridiculous hoops. | 3/7/2015 8:47 AM |
| 10 | It is not Addison that makes it unaffordable for retirees it is the State government. We chose to retire here 10 years ago but are seriously thinking of leaving the state because of the increased taxes and poor senate and representative attention to the needs of the taxpayers. They refuse to see the real problem, lack of JOBS, and continue to drive business out of Vermont so that those of us who stay are milked for every tax penny they can find. | 3/4/2015 9:37 AM |
| 11 | The town acreage (whole town) is an excellent place to view and enjoy nature. | 3/4/2015 9:11 AM |

Q13 In many places in Vermont and elsewhere, the 'rural landscape' has become a suburban one, residential development happening at the same

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density across the majority of a municipality, regardless of other historic, cultural or natural features in the landscape. Tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statements.

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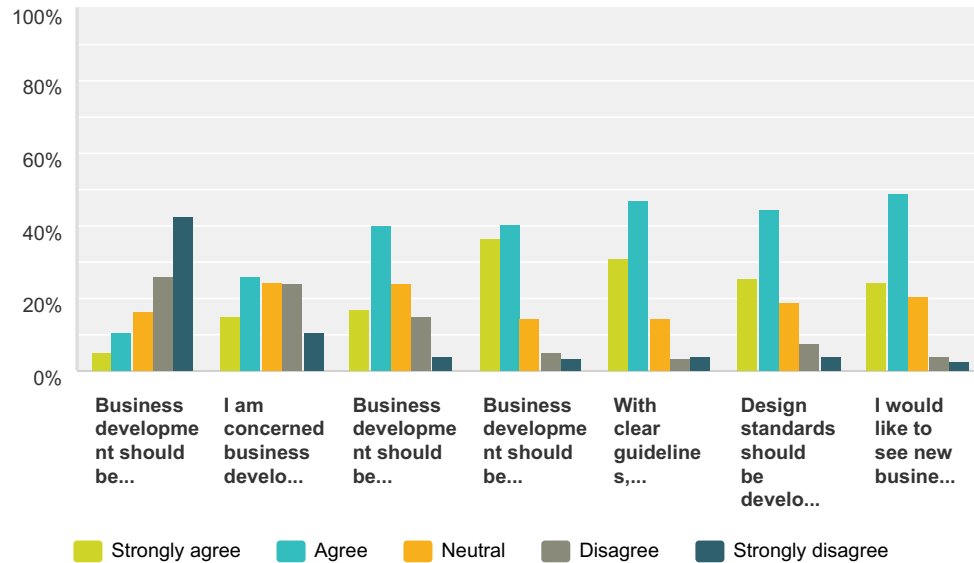
| | strongly agree | agree | neutral | disagree | strongly disagree | Total |
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| I am concerned residential growth is encroaching on our agricultural land. | 20.33% 25 | 31.71% 39 | 16.26% 20 | 21.14% 26 | 10.57% 13 | 123 |
| I am concerned residential growth is encroaching on our natural resources. | 22.95% 28 | 24.59% 30 | 25.41% 31 | 19.67% 24 | 7.38% 9 | 122 |
| I think residential growth should be restricted in some areas in order to preserve our natural, scenic and/or agricultural land. | 40.32% 50 | 33.06% 41 | 17.74% 22 | 6.45% 8 | 2.42% 3 | 124 |
| I am concerned that there isn't enough affordable housing/land for seniors and young families. | 26.61% 33 | 35.48% 44 | 22.58% 28 | 12.10% 15 | 3.23% 4 | 124 |
| I think residential growth should be able to happen anywhere. | 6.45% 8 | 10.48% 13 | 12.90% 16 | 41.13% 51 | 29.03% 36 | 124 |
| I would like to see more housing/land options in walking distance to any future services and amenities. | 8.87% 11 | 25.81% 32 | 29.84% 37 | 23.39% 29 | 12.10% 15 | 124 |

Q14 While agriculture still has an important place in Addison's economy, other business opportunities need to be considered for Vermont's most rural towns. Placement of any business/commercial growth is guided by town planning policies in the Town Plan and zoning regulations and consider impacts and opportunities to

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residents and to our natural and cultural resources. Tell us whether you agree or disagree with the following statements.

Answered: 123 Skipped: 11



| | Strongly agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly disagree | Total |
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| Business development should be allowed anywhere. | 4.88% 6 | 10.57% 13 | 16.26% 20 | 26.02% 32 | 42.28% 52 | 123 |
| I am concerned business development will impact our rural character. | 14.75% 18 | 26.23% 32 | 24.59% 30 | 23.77% 29 | 10.66% 13 | 122 |
| Business development should be encouraged primarily in close proximity to our town centers (WAGS and/or Four Corners). | 17.21% 21 | 40.16% 49 | 23.77% 29 | 14.75% 18 | 4.10% 5 | 122 |
| Business development should be limited in some areas of town, in order to maintain natural and scenic resources. | 36.59% 45 | 40.65% 50 | 14.63% 18 | 4.88% 6 | 3.25% 4 | 123 |
| With clear guidelines, home-based businesses should be supported in all areas of town. | 30.89% 38 | 47.15% 58 | 14.63% 18 | 3.25% 4 | 4.07% 5 | 123 |
| Design standards should be developed for all business/commercial development. | 25.41% 31 | 44.26% 54 | 18.85% 23 | 7.38% 9 | 4.10% 5 | 122 |
| I would like to see new businesses which could offer employment opportunities to local residents. | 24.39% 30 | 48.78% 60 | 20.33% 25 | 4.07% 5 | 2.44% 3 | 123 |

| # | Other (please specify) | Date |
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| 1 | One Town Center is enough. WAGS | 4/17/2015 3:37 PM |
| 2 | There should only be one Town Center in the close proximity of WAGS. There is no room around the busy four corners. | 4/17/2015 2:53 PM |
| 3 | we can not afford to become a ghost town | 4/6/2015 11:53 AM |
| 4 | Agricultural land should be able to have home businesses like repair shops etc in retired barns. | 4/4/2015 8:08 PM |
| 5 | The natural beauty of Addison is our biggest resource. We don't need to see businesses in our town that are detrimental to our beauty, like motels or other industrial development. | 4/1/2015 6:43 PM |

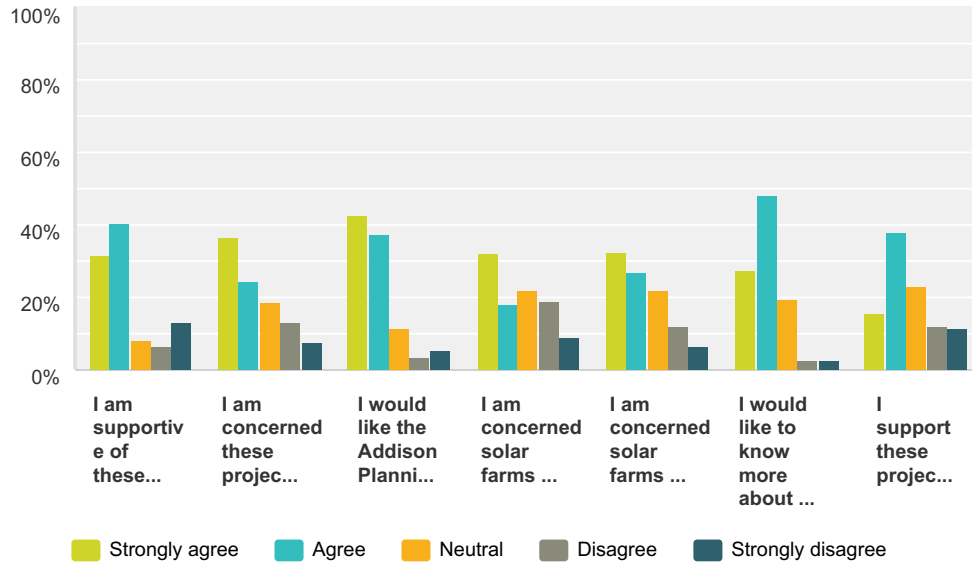
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| 6 | The last question is a hard one because there aren't too many places in town that don't have some sort of scenic beauty so who would make that interpretation? | 3/29/2015 12:45 PM |
| 7 | Please ensure that a solar farm business does not diminish the property values of others. | 3/27/2015 5:48 PM |
| 8 | Planning is better than "sprawl." | 3/27/2015 5:38 PM |
| 9 | Business's rise up where, when, why @location that works for the business owner. | 3/25/2015 10:46 AM |
| 10 | I agree that business development is a necessity for Addison's sustainable future. However, in all future development clear guidelines will be important. Design standards MUST be developed to preserve the integrity of Addison's agricultural past, scenic vistas and natural resources. Smart development can enhance Addison as a thriving community for future generations of young families, nature enthusiasts, home based businesses and retired seniors. | 3/24/2015 10:35 PM |
| 11 | Zoning and planning are used as a way for communities to legally steal property. | 3/24/2015 2:22 PM |
| 12 | disagree with wording of question 4: Home based businesses should be allowed, period (non need for "clear guidelines").Poorly worded question. disagree with wording of question 5: By agreeing to "primarily" and I agreeing that business should NOT be encouraged elsewhere in town? Poorly worded question. | 3/14/2015 6:45 AM |
| 13 | There are already too many rules and restrictions on any type of development in Addison. Existing requirements need to be relaxed/eliminated, not new ones added. | 3/7/2015 8:54 AM |
| 14 | Business development that follows local values and support local products should be encouraged when ever possible. Examples could include food producers, restaurants, breweries and farm to table agriculture. | 3/5/2015 1:02 PM |
| 15 | Housing and busine3sses should be encouraged around the 4-corners. Do what is necessary to put empty building down the road from 4-corners to use as a residence or business, and get rid of the box trailer and rotting lumber. | 3/5/2015 11:05 AM |
| 16 | Home based business should be restricted if other buildings are erected to satisfy the business. | 3/4/2015 8:55 PM |
| 17 | Farm and farm related businesses are a good fit for Addison, however manufacturing businesses are less of a fit nor are they likely. Businesses that support lake recreation are a good idea. Businesses should have a minimum impact on residential areas. | 3/4/2015 9:58 AM |
| 18 | How many people could actually walk to a "Town Center", either WAGS or 4 Corners? Not many ! I could just see us walking 3 miles along 22A to reach 4 Corners. Cars are necessary to get around the town. | 3/4/2015 9:38 AM |

Q15 Solar farms are being developed across Addison County. Currently these projects fall under the jurisdiction of the State via the Public Service Board (PSB). The PSB needs municipal input that clearly articulates expectations and desires associated with these projects. Please tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statements.

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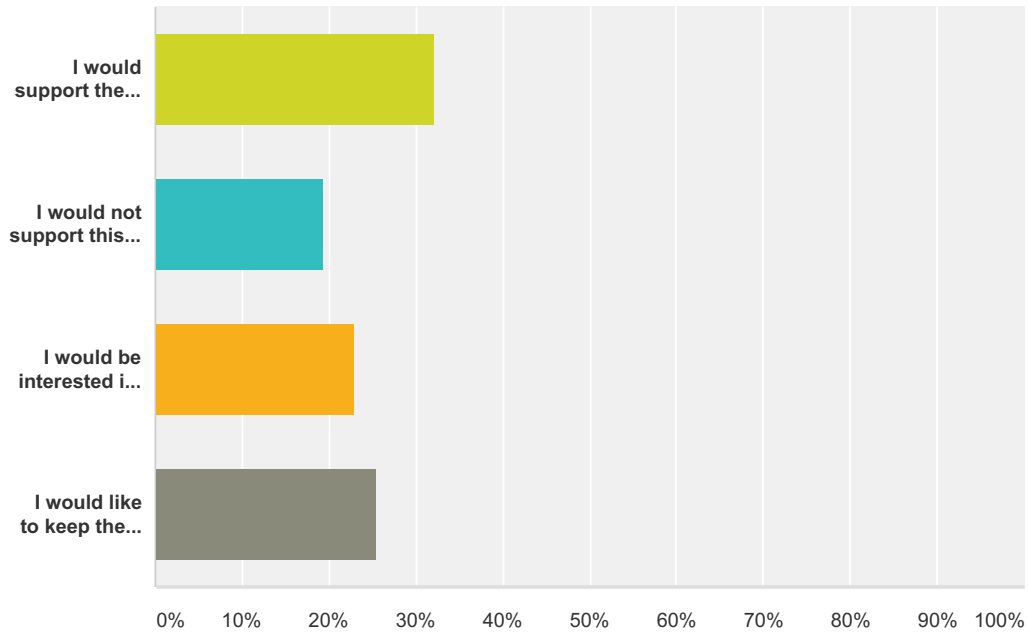


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| I am supportive of these alternative energy projects if siting and design are considered. | 31.71% 39 | 40.65% 50 | 8.13% 10 | 6.50% 8 | 13.01% 16 | 123 |
| I am concerned these projects are happening at a rapid rate. | 36.59% 45 | 24.39% 30 | 18.70% 23 | 13.01% 16 | 7.32% 9 | 123 |
| I would like the Addison Planning Commission to focus efforts on siting guidelines for these projects. | 42.28% 52 | 37.40% 46 | 11.38% 14 | 3.25% 4 | 5.69% 7 | 123 |
| I am concerned solar farms are encroaching on agricultural land. | 31.97% 39 | 18.03% 22 | 22.13% 27 | 18.85% 23 | 9.02% 11 | 122 |
| I am concerned solar farms are encroaching on our cultural and scenic resources. | 32.52% 40 | 26.83% 33 | 21.95% 27 | 12.20% 15 | 6.50% 8 | 123 |
| I would like to know more about how these projects occur. | 27.64% 34 | 47.97% 59 | 19.51% 24 | 2.44% 3 | 2.44% 3 | 123 |
| I support these projects if there is substantial economic benefit to the town and landowner. | 15.45% 19 | 38.21% 47 | 22.76% 28 | 12.20% 15 | 11.38% 14 | 123 |

Q16 The selectboard has asked the planning commission to look at reducing the minimum lot size, required road frontage, and side setbacks in the Low Density Residential and Agricultural District (LDR-A), changing lot size from 5 to 2 (and smaller) acre lot sizes. As you can see from the map, this district (colored white) makes up much of the land in town. From a long-term planning perspective, this could change the look and feel of Addison. Which answer best represents your position on this planning decision?

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| Answer Choices | Responses |
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| I would support the change from 5 to 2 (and smaller) acre lot size minimum across the LDR-A district. | 32.20% 38 |
| I would not support this change in the LDR-A district. | 19.49% 23 |
| I would be interested in learning about alternative zoning and subdivision strategies for this area. | 22.88% 27 |
| I would like to keep the LDR-A as 5 acre minimum lot size. | 25.42% 30 |
| Total | 118 |

| # | Other comments or concerns about reducing lot size in this district? | Date |
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| 1 | I would be interested in learning about alternatives. 5 acres is about the right size for a horse to graze or a cow to and/or raise food stuff for more than one's family or have a woodlot. it also allows for drainage of a lot that is too usually wet and boggy, possibly a pond? We have less than 2 acres in an agricultural zone and it is too small for the above reasons plus driveway and sewage considerations that could be desired in an agricultural district. | 4/17/2015 4:01 PM |
| 2 | There is a lot of lots with less than 2 acres that have mound systems for best fit. We have already many lots with structures on less than one acre. | 4/17/2015 3:37 PM |
| 3 | We need growth to keep taxes lower. | 4/17/2015 2:53 PM |
| 4 | I need more information to make an informed decision on this topic. Not sure what the 5-acre minimum does for homeowners. | 4/14/2015 11:47 AM |
| 5 | I am adamantly opposed to decreasing lot size or required road frontage in any part of Addison except very close to Addison 4 corners and WAGS. In some areas 5 acre lot size is already very much too small. | 4/12/2015 11:35 AM |
| 6 | Would like to know what is prompting this potential change. | 4/12/2015 10:38 AM |
| 7 | our controlled growth is needed ASAP and was needed five years ago. We definately need to increase the tax base to survive or merge our town with a surrounding town. We just can't continue on the path of high taxes presented to the tax payer to approve. No one wants to close a school Changes in enrollment won't go up to 100 by 2020 and the cost will keep going up for the next years. | 4/6/2015 4:12 PM |
| 8 | we need a larger tax base so we can continue to live here | 4/6/2015 2:06 PM |

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| 9 | In siting of sewer systems, first one is the original and then there has to be an alternative site. This alone takes up 2 acres. Qvercrowding of houses tends to make for bad neighbors. | 4/6/2015 1:41 PM |
| 10 | i love Addison and have raised a family here and educated my children here. Without a school in Addison, I would move, as would several of my friends. | 4/6/2015 11:53 AM |
| 11 | subject to septic regs | 4/6/2015 10:14 AM |
| 12 | Allowing more development in town will ease the tax burden and help the school by increasing students. Addison has become stagnant, opening up out town for others to enjoy would be a good thing. Because the state owns so much land in addison and so many acres have been sold as to the development rights, Addison will always be a rural community. | 4/6/2015 9:57 AM |
| 13 | I think the lack of municipal sewer systems is likely to be the largest deterrent. Maybe there's an alternative to growth centers, rather than having a bunch of 2 acre lots every 100' on the road. I'd much rather see a plan for smaller lots but with the encouragement of cluster housing with the possibility of shared septic systems. The soils are just not likely to support adequate waste water disposal systems. | 4/5/2015 8:04 PM |
| 14 | This whole idea of changing lot sizes is to 1. get more tax dollars 2. more tax dollars , because trying to keep the grade school open that is costing way too much and the state is going to force it to close and if they can get more students in that school then they can keep it open . I dont see any other reason to change lot size and have house upon house I have ten acres and wouldnt sell any of it unless I was moving out of town. I would hope the town would not tax the people who own ten acres more because now they have 3 potential lots I would first sue the town that forced me to have that much land and then sue again for forcing their plan on me. when I wish to keep my land open for nature. I have ducks geese, deer and turkeys and plenty of squirrels as I have alot of mature oaks which feeds some of them. There are plenty of houses on the market for people to buy they dont need to come here and mess up a good thing | 4/3/2015 1:39 PM |
| 15 | The rationale for reducing lot sizes should not be driven by a sense that this would increase population for the school. If there are jobs to support this expansion, oK. However, any movement in this direction must be driven by solid economic values. | 4/1/2015 9:37 PM |
| 16 | I think the makeup of our land is not conducive to finding enough land within a 2 acre or less lot to enable installation of a lot of individual septic systems. On the whole, I worry about what would happen if we ever had a drought like what happened in the 60's. We could end up with small pockets of lots throughout our town that do not have the look and feel of our town. I know that we are struggling with the whole issue of school taxes, declining enrollment, etc but just allowing unrestricted development on small lots is not the way to go. | 4/1/2015 6:43 PM |
| 17 | I support the change for closer nit neighborhoods. Like around the lake and near the stores. Changing more rural areas to 2 acre lot size seems not necessary. | 3/29/2015 5:07 PM |
| 18 | I would support this change as long as a suitable septic system was possible. By allowing people to build on smaller acreage it would keep more farmland active. I would however want to have something in place to discourage big time developers that might flock to Addison, build a lot of houses and then leave. Maybe put a number on how many lots in a multi lot subdivision if there isn't something already in place. That would not discourage development, only sprawl. | 3/29/2015 12:45 PM |
| 19 | Well, it might be worth a look in certain designated areas where denser housing(3 acres) would not negatively impact neighbors. What about some kind of cost-benefit analysis. How would this kind of change and potential growth impact schools and other community services? How long would an all-volunteer Fire Department be able to do the job? Addison is a lovely town as it is but change is inevitable. Thoughtful, planned change can serve us all well. We love Addison. | 3/27/2015 6:11 PM |
| 20 | I can't find a color key to tell me what these zones are? I strongly support community planning rather than commercial sprawl and junkyard entrepreneurship. One thing that would help us with our rental business would be to know what weeks the manure will be spread. We understand why it is so good but our guests from New York or New Jersey don't. My husband grew up in Vergennes; I've been coming every summer for 56 years. We've seen lots of improvements and think is is almost perfect as it is. | 3/27/2015 5:38 PM |
| 21 | We really need to have more commercial zoning if we want to reduce the tax rate on home owners in town and if we don't have anymore commercial land zoning that is out of the qsttion there is no comercial zoning land available in town that is not currently being used | 3/27/2015 5:19 PM |
| 22 | I would support a change to a 10 acre minimum lot size in the LDR-A district. I would be interested in a Village Neighborhood designation created in proximity to the Village Commercial district with smaller lot sizes. If Addison is to increase availability of smaller residential lots, consideration must be given to developing a municipal sewer system. This step is of utmost importance if we are to maintain sanitation for people and safeguard the possible runoff from more private systems than present resources can feasibly support. | 3/26/2015 12:43 AM |

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| 23 | I think it would be ok to reduce size as long as it is to put in a housing development. I would NOT be in support of it becoming smaller if it meant allowing trailer parks which would significantly change the look of the area and the potential need for police involvement. | 3/25/2015 8:31 AM |
| 24 | If we wanted to make smaller lot size minimums to increase residential opportunities, I could see that happening in and around the Village Commercial District. This would help attract and keep young families and retirees by making the town a more walkable, bikeable, and affordable community. Keep the open character of the LDR-A land we all live here for. In fact, I was told the minimum was 10 acres, when did it change to 5? | 3/25/2015 12:32 AM |
| 25 | I could support higher density for designated residential areas to create intentionally walkable & bikable neighborhoods clustered near the Addison town center. This would be especially attractive if business development is integrated into the town so that residents can walk & bike to work and community services and amenities. Higher density neighborhoods should be subject to considered architectural & landscape design guidelines and should be interspersed among deliberately preserved agricultural land & vistas. I would NOT like to see Routes 22A & 17 lined w/ rows of 2 acre (and smaller) lots with driveways and garages pressed against the road (result of shallower required setbacks) blocking access to the rural scenery which makes Addison a special place. | 3/24/2015 10:35 PM |
| 26 | This is in answer to question 17 - I live in the "shoreland residential district", and I feel that the property tax burden in comparison to the other parts of the town are out of line. Any house with lake frontage is taxed extremely high, and this discourages long term holding and re-sale of any lake property. Many of these lake homes are second homes, so the owners only use them (and other infrastructure or amenities) part of the year. Many of them are also rented which brings in additional revenue (i.e. meals, shopping, gas, recreation) to the town and the county. Many of these lake homes are new within the last 15 years. Since the town survived for 200 years prior to them being here, why do they need to be taxed so heavily, given their part-time use, and the additional revenue they may produce? I think a more balanced approach to taxing all property owners would be good for the long term health of the town. | 3/24/2015 11:32 AM |
| 27 | I do not support a change in the zoning to 2 acre lots with reduced frontage. You will regret it. Bad idea. I came from a southern new england town that did just that and the quality of rural life was greatly diminished as well as stressed town services and the tax increases to support it. I came to Addison to avoid this. | 3/24/2015 11:13 AM |
| 28 | Could more affordable housing be achieved by infilling/expanding the village areas? That would be preferable to suburban-style development of the LDR-A areas. | 3/24/2015 11:06 AM |
| 29 | I feel those who own ,and would like to share their land with someone else, also living on it, should be allowed to do so.....so homes are consolidated, together. | 3/23/2015 10:21 PM |
| 30 | lots should at least be 5 acers, keeps housing from being stacked together close proximiy | 3/23/2015 6:03 PM |
| 31 | I believe the views from Rte 22A and Rte 17 are a big asset tourist-wise. Would recommend holding on to those views. (Perhaps even compensating landowners to maintain those vistas). Otherwise reduction of density requirements in other areas may be advisable for affordability and landowners. | 3/23/2015 5:25 PM |
| 32 | 2 acre lot size will encourage subdivisions as developers find it is cheaper to put more houses with a defined acreage in 10 acres, Currently can put 2 house lots on 10 acres and 2 acre lots on 10 acres yield 5 houses. Local developers and builders will embrace this 2 acre proposal. | 3/21/2015 8:52 PM |
| 33 | Very poorly worded questions here. Also regarding the solar questions, same comment. Questions are written with a clear bias, intended to illicit a particular response that the Planning Commission apparently wants to see. This entire poll is seriously flawed in that regard, and the results will have to be accorded due weight as a result. | 3/14/2015 6:45 AM |
| 34 | What about looking at cul-de-sacs where the Town Planning Commission has a strong voice in the development of such a site? My thought is that a number of acres of land (5 or more per building lot) is set aside, and then the houses are built in a semi-circle (or rectangle) shape with a looped road (driveway) to access the homes. This protects the land, and allows for "cluster" housing. Houses can be clustered together, but there are only 2 entrances / exits, therefore cutting down on the number of driveways / entrances onto the roads. Hopefully this makes sense.... | 3/9/2015 5:00 PM |
| 35 | The question is asked in a very biased way. It's clear that the PC doesn't want to do this and will do everything in it's power to kill it, which is unfortunate. | 3/7/2015 8:54 AM |
| 36 | Much of lot size will be driven by waste water disposal concerns. I would prefer that guidelines be developed to site or screen mound systems on smaller lots to minimize their visual impact. | 3/5/2015 1:02 PM |

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| 37 | It doesn't seem like it needs to be all or nothing. Two-acre lots makes sense in some areas, but certain areas it should remain as 5-acre lots. Encourage areas like Goose Bay Estates and require that they put in multi-home waste disposal systems. 17. We need to support our Fire Department and Vergennes Area Rescue Squad. They provide an extremely important role in our safety. | 3/5/2015 11:05 AM |
| 38 | I would be interested in looking at other alternatives and strategies being discussed. | 3/4/2015 8:55 PM |
| 39 | Before we jump into zoning changes in LDR-A we need to do a financial impact study as the real benefits the the town now and in the future. Any given month there is existing housing in Addison over a variable price range from \$150,000 and up that doesn't require substantial up front investment like building from scratch would (lot survey, septic mound, site prep, construction costs, etc. all will cost more than \$100K. Given population projections for Vermont and Addison specifically I do not see the urgency to jump into zoning changes in LDR-A district. The population is flat and going negative. If only low income residents are added then the rest of us will see our taxes will go up not down. The benefit to town tax base need to be answered in hard numbers. | 3/4/2015 9:58 AM |
| 40 | Rural sprawl would further decrease housing values and lead to unsightly small crowded lots. The town does not do anything about cluttered, unsightly properties as it is. What would our town look like if these proliferated. Our dirt roads cannot handle more traffic. There are already many affordable houses for sale in Addison and I do not believe that demographics support the need for additional housing at the cost of the rural character of the town. Sprawl would decrease housing values and in the long run would not add to the town tax base. Remember Vermont is suffering from net migration of 24 to 48 year olds. No jobs = no young families. The legislators are bent on closing small schools and if the town loses its school it certainly could not hope to attract young families. Without the school the town, like many other small towns in Vermont would atrophy. Poor planning in the past has made developing town centers in Addison almost impossible. I believe that they would try to take land from the school to develop 4 Corners. Where else would they get land to do it? They are already looking for a "land swap" with the school for the anticipated renovation of the old Town Hall, at a cost of millions, and the building is not large enough to hold a town meeting. If we need a broader tax base how can we consider this expenditure? If we lose our rural beauty there is no incentive to move into Addison. | 3/4/2015 9:38 AM |
| 41 | I do not support the reduction of lot size across the ENTIRE LDR-A region. I do support reduction in lot size, for purposes of developing more affordable housing (provided the town is attractive enough to potential buyers/renters to move here), in parts of this region. My suggestion: where major through routes already exist (Routes 22A & 17), which are paved and can handle the potential increase in traffic density, increased housing density would be accommodated by this infrastructure, and would not seriously detract from the visual appeal of the region. Dirt roads should be left with the current 5 acre lot size, preserving the rural character and avoiding increased wear and tear on dirt roads. Whether lot size should be reduced on ALL paved roads or just the major thoroughfares is open for debate. Disclosure: I live on a dirt road, therefore risk being labelled a NIMBY. I trust that the reasoning above helps to avoid that label. | 3/3/2015 7:45 PM |
