

Arts & Recreation

State Goal: *To promote and protect the availability of outdoor recreation opportunities for all Maine citizens, including access to surface waters.*

Town Goal:

Policy	Strategy	Responsible Parties	Timeline	Budget
<i>It is the policy of the town to invest in the creation of new and improvement of existing recreation lands and facilities to meet community needs and provide a variety of recreational opportunities.</i>	Establish an account for dedicated funds and donations for open space and recreational purposes. Include this fund as part of the capital improvement plan.	Town Council	Short Term	\$
	Encourage municipal acquisition of riverfront land for public cultural and recreational use.	Town Council, Implementation Committee	Long Term	\$\$\$
	Update the Salmon Falls Greenbelt Plan to reflect current information.	Staff, Recreation, Implementation Committee	Short Term	N/A
	Investigate the feasibility of creating a multi-use trail system in the Powderhouse Hill and Agamenticus fields complex area.	Town Council	Long Term	\$\$\$
	Invest in sidewalks or off-road infrastructure to improve connectivity between town parks and land.	Town Council	Short Term	\$\$\$
	Create policy incentives on the local level for donation or creation of conservation and recreational easements.	Town Council	Immediate	N/A

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	Evaluate capital needs for municipal parks and recreation staff and regional recreation non-profits to consider the feasibility of a combined community center.	Town Council	Long Term	\$\$\$
	Ensure co-location of recreation facilities suitable for a range of ages and ability types, to encourage family outings in public spaces	Town Council, DPW, Recreation	Ongoing	N/A
	Invest in existing public spaces with annual allocations for infrastructure, signage, informational or amenities improvements a town park or land. (i.e. Town Forest, Cummings Mill Park, Shoetown Park)	Town Council, DPW, Recreation	Immediate	\$
	Assess parking needs & develop a plan for additional parking at the Agamenticus Recreation area.	Town Council, DPW	Short Term	\$\$
<i>It is the policy of the town to develop and expand cultural activities including community events, music, the arts, and facilities to host or house them.</i>	Consider partnering with local historic groups to identify a shared central site for communication or display of cultural events or activities.	Recreation	Immediate	N/A
	Develop a Town green or outdoor meeting area and venue through the purchase or reuse of land around the Town Hall, Central School, Powderhouse, or other town owned property.	Town Council	Short Term	\$\$\$
	Encourage or support public seasonal events community-wide.	Town Council	Ongoing	\$
<i>It is the policy of the town to improve awareness of cultural and recreational opportunities, as well as foster productive</i>	Develop a plan to improve communication between the town and various volunteer groups that contribute to recreation and cultural facilities in town, including regular updates with the Town	Town Council, Implementation Committee	Short Term	N/A

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<i>communication and coordination among all organizations and groups involved.</i>	Council, to encourage better coordination among organizations.			
	Develop GIS mapping of local recreation and cultural opportunities, including both town-owned and non-profit/private owned but publicly accessible assets. Share and promote the resource for public awareness of available assets and activities.	Town Council, Staff, Implementation Committee	Immediate	\$

Timeline Key

Immediate = 2-3 years

Short Term = 5-8 years

Long Term = 10-15 years

Ongoing = Begin as possible, maintain ongoing

Budget Key

N/A = Does not necessarily have a cost component

\$ = One budget cycle, maybe mid-cycle allocation

\$\$ = One budget cycle, budgeted ahead of time

\$\$\$ = Two to three budget cycles

\$\$\$\$ = three or more budget cycles, maybe a reserve account

