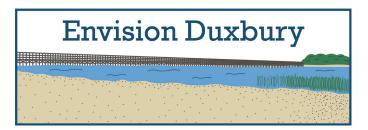
## **DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION 1-26-18**



Envision Duxbury is a comprehensive master plan being developed by the Town of Duxbury to guide the future growth and economic development of the town, using goals and ideas generated by community members.

## **Draft Vision Statement**

Looking forward, the Town of Duxbury continues to be a prosperous coastal community with exceptional assets. Residents of all ages and backgrounds are able to enjoy a high quality of life in Duxbury with convenient access to everything the town has to offer: beautiful beaches, an excellent school system, a thriving harbor, thousands of acres of protected open space, vibrant businesses, and attractive residential neighborhoods.

Duxbury's rich maritime and shipbuilding history is embraced through continued waterfront activity, and both residents and visitors are continuously drawn to Duxbury's pristine public beach and active bay. The Town proactively protects its waterfront heritage and resources to make them more resilient against the impacts of climate change.

The thousands of acres of preserved open space in Duxbury continue to offer opportunities for recreation, enhance scenic views in the town, and protect the Town's water supply and rare species that are native to Duxbury. In the last decade, additional land has

been protected, and open space connections are enhanced via bike and pedestrian paths that are safe and attractive.

Duxbury Public Schools sustain excellence and the town attracts families looking to form deep roots in the community. Transparent and fiscally-responsible Town government manages growth and development in a way that maintains Duxbury's authentic character yet balances revenues to sustain excellent public services, facilities, and infrastructure.

Hall's Corner serves as the economic center of Duxbury, and mixed-use buildings with first floor retail, transportation improvements, and streetscape updates have created a more vibrant and walkable commercial district. The town's smaller commercial areas also support successful businesses that serve residents and visitors of Duxbury in compact and walkable districts.

Duxbury continues to protect its historic resources, especially working to preserve historic homes that may otherwise be torn down and replaced. Alternative housing types have also created a greater variety of housing options for Duxbury residents, leading to more affordable options for families, seniors, and young adults while integrating with the character of the Town.

As observed throughout the Envision Duxbury Master Plan process, the vision for Duxbury in 2028 is strengthened through a community that is informed, engaged, and productively working toward a shared vision and commitment to achieving a prosperous and sustainable future.

## **Feedback Questions**

- 1. What would you add or change about this draft vision statement?
- 2. What do you like about it? What don't you like?
- 3. Does it feel relevant and forward looking?

## Town of Duxbury, Current Land Use:

