

Economic Development Committee

Composition

- Comprised of 7 members
- Ideally the composition of the Committee will include members with expertise in real estate, business, finance, farming, planning, historic preservation, construction, conservation, and land use.

Purpose

- Implement the Economic Development section of the Master Plan.

Responsibilities

- Identify opportunities to establish additional businesses within the community consistent with the Town's character.
- Identify best areas of Town to locate businesses.
- Outlining the types of businesses that would build upon the strengths of the community such as cafes, farm- to-table restaurants, country stores, farm stands, antique shops and artist lofts.
- Seek input from current business owners to assist the Committee in understanding both the assets and liabilities, from a business owner's perspective, in doing business in Dunstable.
- Pursue the development of design guidelines for Dunstable Center to emphasize the historic significance of the community and attract the types of businesses that would thrive in this environment.
- Review necessary changes to the zoning bylaw to allow businesses such as bed and breakfast facilities and restaurants.
- Work with the Agricultural Commission and local farms to develop a list of existing farms and their goods and services, and help promote the products available through Dunstable farms.
- Promote the use of recreational areas for nature tours, environmental studies and cross-country skiing to provide additional incentive for visitors to support small businesses in Dunstable.