

Plattekill (T) Comprehensive Plan Survey - 2024

Monday, August 19, 2024

278

Total Responses

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Complete Responses (online and hard copies): 278

Q1: Which of the following would describe you? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 275 Skipped: 3

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Resident for less than 5 years	9%	41
Resident for 5-10 years	9%	40
Resident for over 10 years	38%	163
Property Owner	36%	154
Business Owner	5%	20
Other (please specify)	3%	15

Q1: Which of the following would describe you? (Other)

Answered: 15

- Concerned local citizen who feels this would have a negative impact on the community!!
- Hamlet of Wallkill Resident that uses 44-55 regularly and often shops in Modena
- brand new resident
- Modular home park
- Resident since 1952
- Mobile home
- Gardiner resident
- I live in Gardiner and utilize 44/55 every day so this will effect my families safety.
- Gardiner resident, close to Platekill border
- Property owner
- I lived in Plattekill for 35 years before moving to Gardiner 10 years ago
- Resident of Clintondale
- Property renter /mobile home owner
- Resident of neighboring town. Customer of plattekill businesses
- Concerned Resident in Gardiner, NY

Q2: Do you own or rent your residence?

Answered: 275 Skipped: 3

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES		
Own within the Town	81%	220	
Rent within the Town	5%	14	
Other (e.g. I live outside the Town, business owner, own property in town, etc.)	14%	37	

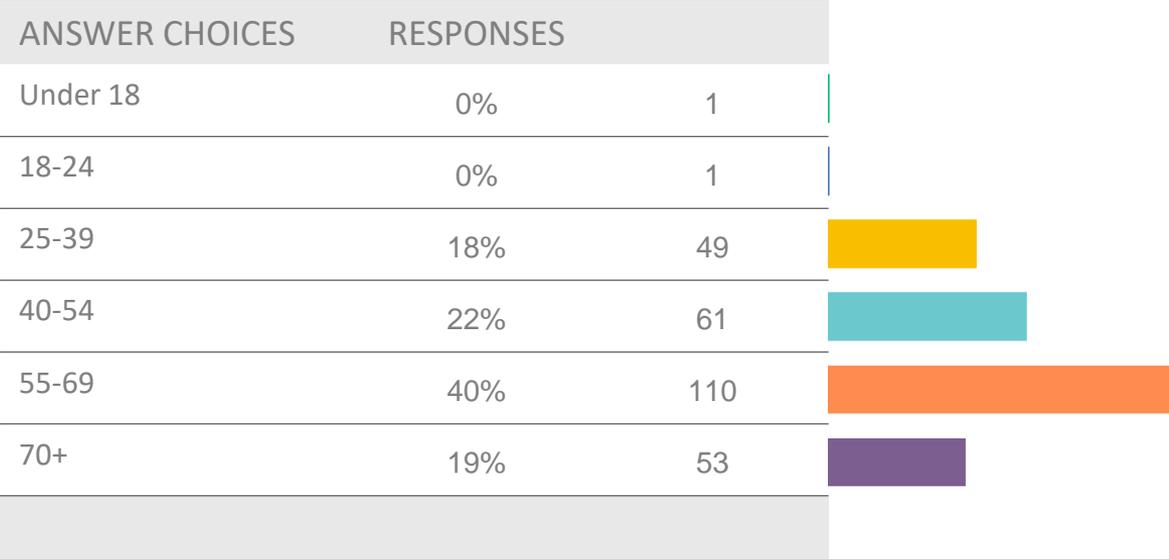
Q2: Do you own or rent your residence? (other)

Answered: 37

- Gardiner resident traveling through modena, plattekill often
- Gardiner
- Live just outside of Plattkill town line!!
- Nearby homeowner
- I have rentals and live there
- Gardiner
- 7+ acre apple orchard
- I live outside the town.
- Own property in Gardiner
- Clintondale
- New Paltz
- New Paltz
- Lloyd
- Own in town of Newburgh on 32
- resident of Aloha Acres
- own manufactured home, rent lot
- Hi
- Line outside of the town, lived in town from 1986-2022
- Parents property
- Plattekill
- Living in senior community
- Own a manufactured home and rent the lot
- Wallkill
- Live in Gardiner
- I live in Gardiner and have owned our home for 35 years.
- Farm in Gardiner
- Own in Gardiner near Plattekill border
- Gardinre
- Own property in Gardiner
- Gardiner
- I
- Own a house in Clintondale
- Gardiner
- Within the town but mobile home owner/property renter
- Own in neighboring town
- Home in Gardiner, NY
- Live in Wallkill

Q3: What age group do you fall in?

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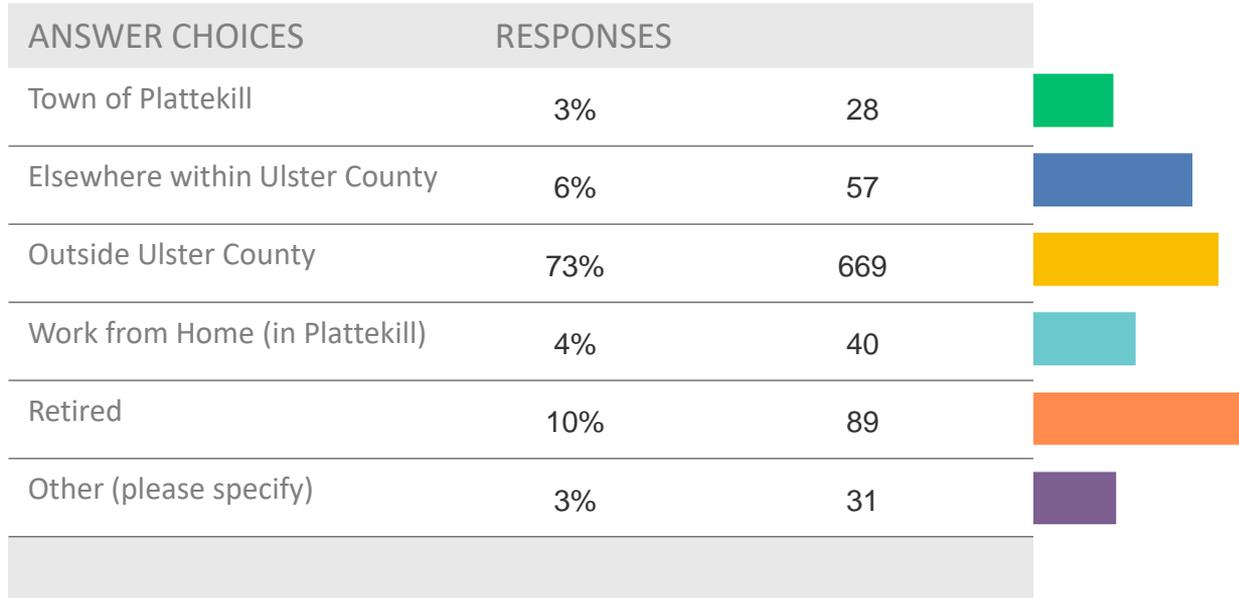
Q4: What is your zip code?

Answered: 272 Skipped: 6

12589	87
12561	63
12548	41
12528	27
12515	25
12525	13
12568	8
12542	3
12565	1
12648	1
23626	1
12210	1
12562	1

Q5: Where do you work? (select all that apply)

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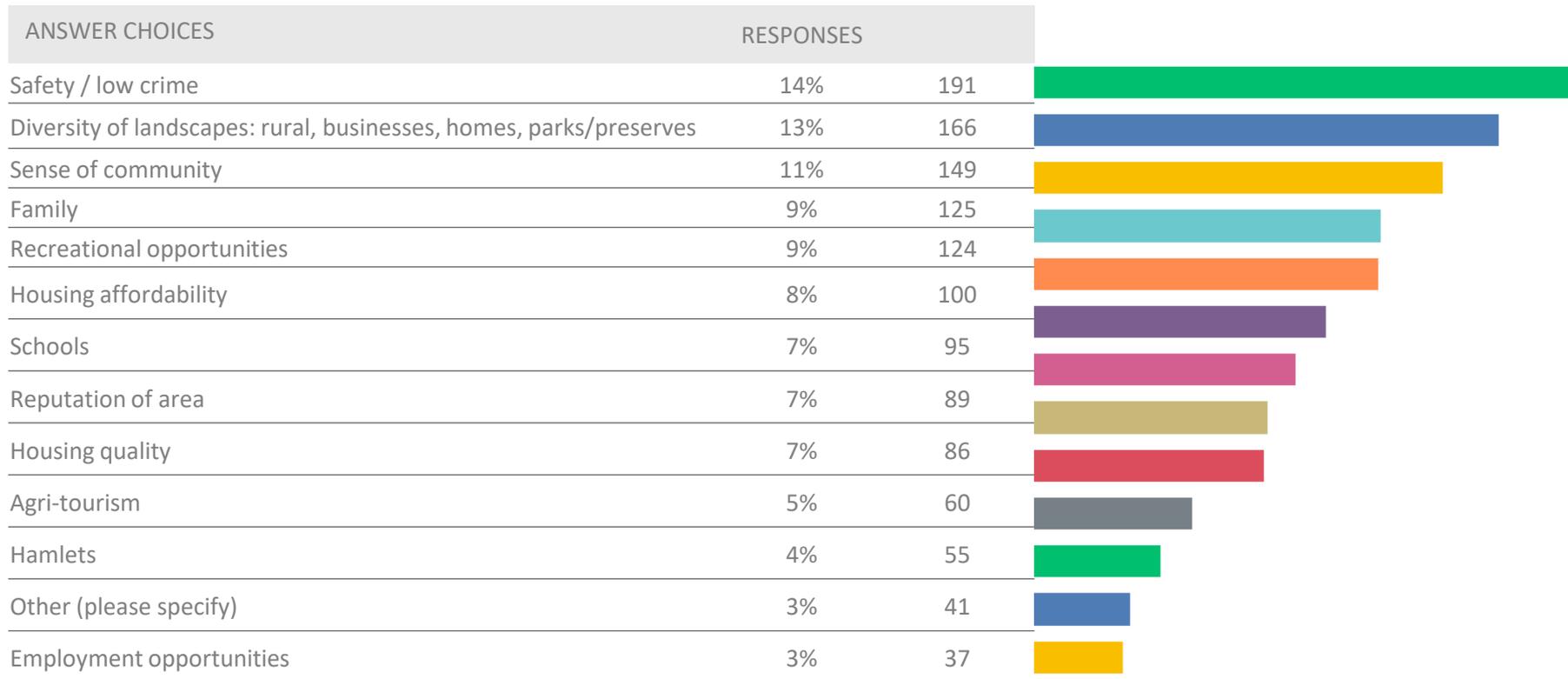
Q5: Where do you work? (other)

Answered: 31

- Disabled
- environmental field, occasional orange, rockland, ulster, dutchess county work.
- I work both here and in Brooklyn part-time
- real estate broker
- Work from home in Gardiner
- owner/manager apartment rentals
- Wallkill
- Work from home, not collecting unemployment!!!!
- Usma
- Tri county area
- Commute to Orange County
- Las Vegas
- stay at home mom
- From home in Newburgh
- Stay at home Mom
- Work part time, remotely, teaching
- Poughkeepsie
- Stewart ANGB
- Unemployed
- Varies, dutchess, orange counties, no. Nj, home
- Poughkeepsie
- Seeking employment
- On disability
- Amazon
- Realtor
- Orange County
- Disabled
- Various throughout dutchess, Westchester, and NYC
- Newburgh ny
- New Paltz
- Independent contractor, work all over

Q6: Of the following, what are the most important characteristics found in the Town? (select all that apply)

Answered: 270 Skipped: 8



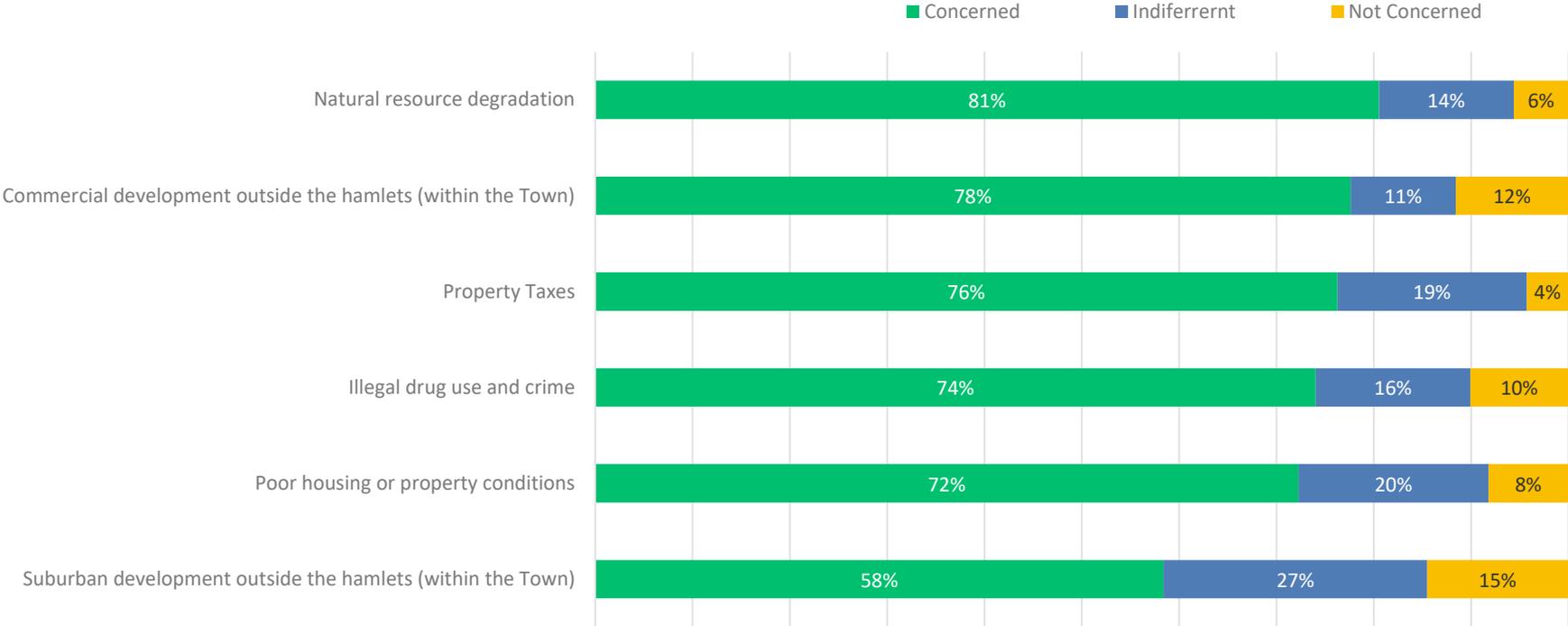
Q6: Of the following, what are the most important characteristics found in the Town? (other)

Answered: 41

- open spaces, farmland
- promote agriculture, limit development.
- limit residential growth preserve agriculture and open spaces.
- Agriculture, forest lands, land trust preserves, historic preservation, sites and districts, zoning limitations on residential growth
- The rural and non-suburban, agricultural nature of the town, open space and abundant wild life, historic and older home stock with character, the lack of chain stores (whether franchise or corporate owned). The family owned small businesses, the bucolic beauty, the remnants of a way of life found in small town America.
- quiet. Rural location
- maintain the overall look of the area
- owning one acre with an old house with a garden and places to grow fruit trees and blueberries and having wildlife in the back yard - fox, deer, racoons, woodchucks, turkeys, birds, chipmunks, squirrels. Maple trees and making maple syrup. This place is the best of rural life.
- no warehouse, need to clarify zoning without variances. Listen to the people not the few. We don't need six dollar generals. We need conservative planning, we need to retain the rural charm.
- we like the beautiful nature, wildlife, and tranquility that we want to preserve as rural by carefully controlling development
- wildlife habitat
- amount of traffic on town roads! It's already too much!
- small town rural atmosphere / environment, diversity of wildlife
- natural wildlife
- the sense of a rural small town field
- Community-oriented businesses & gathering spaces (restaurants, bars, music venues, etc). Community center.
- Rural area not over run with big projects
- History/artifacts
- Rural feel
- Small businesses
- Rural Community/non-suburban
- Historic preservation and traditions
- Church
- Quiet. Not resembling Orange or Dutchess County
- Low density and no heavy traffic
- rural beauty!!!
- Every other option is in dire need of improvement
- Agriculture (not tourism)
- More businesses
- Library
- Pathways to walk I. E. Sidewalks
- none of the above
- I don't want the mega warehouse on 44/55
- Unreasonable sprawl and businesses
- Need more commerce brought to Plattekill
- It's quiet and very rural
- Free moving traffic
- Youth center, addiction counseling and awareness
- Diversity of small, family owned businesses
- Rural atmosphere
- Nothing

Q7: My biggest concerns about the Town are...

Answered: 273 Skipped: 5



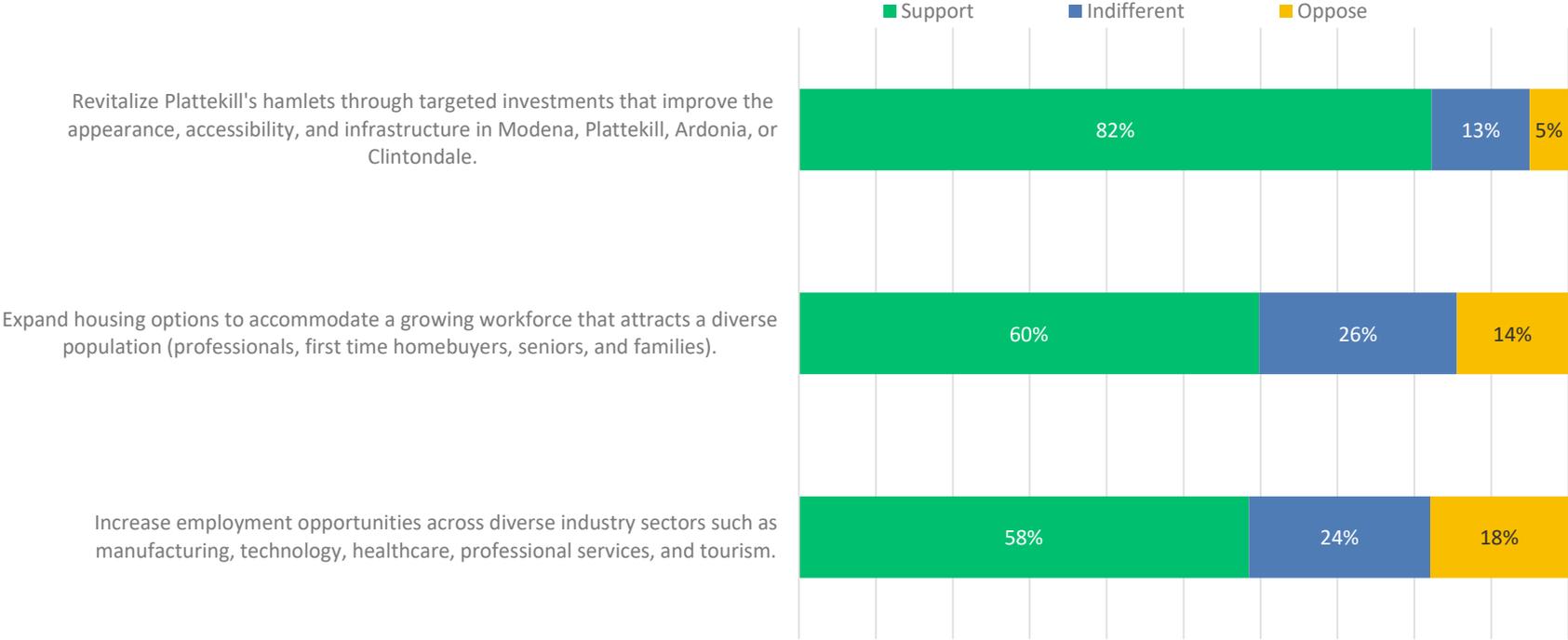
Q7: My biggest concerns about the Town are...

(other) Answered: 66

- Lack of business & tourism tax base to support vital municipal services and keep property taxes low for us.
- The Mega Warehouse
- I don't want any landfills or batterie storage
- The Mega Warehouse proposal for Modena
- Preserve the marlboro mountain ridge and stop the mega warehouse biggest concerns
- Stop commercializing the quiet and precious historical land. Preserve the Marlboro Mountain Ridge!
- I am opposed to the building of any industrial or commercial buildings or warehouses in our rural community. The wear and tear on our local roadways are a major concern should there be an increase in commercial traffic, which in turn would raise our taxes for repairs. We as a community also live here for the wildlife and environment of country living, not commercial industrial businesses.
- overdevelopment loss of rural environmnet
- No mega warehouse, please
- I have concerns about the proposed mega warehouse to be built
- NO MORE DOLLAR GENERALS RUINING OUR DEMOGRAPHIC
- Exploitation by downstate tax exempt developers
- Environmental degradation masked as developmental progress
- Wasteful and unnecessary expenditure
- don't know enough to comment
- Would like more development in town so we have a town center. Near Hannifords/Stewarts /DnD
- This town is a [REDACTED] junkyard. My biggest concern is that the people running Plattekill seem allergic to modernity and progress. And the policies here seem primarily determined by who pulled who's hair in 3rd grade.
- Overuse of water and land
- the big wearhouse and traffic and pollution frm it!!!
- Potential landfill and drag racing.
- Noise pollution all over this town. Loud cars and police ignore it. Not enough police in the town near USPS near Domenicos.
- Taxes are ridiculous for the lack of services. Example: 30+years living in a town with no full time police force!
- Noisy cars & trucks
- Drag Strip Nonsense!
- Very worried about the big mega Warehouse and was very worried about the drag strip coming in
- lost sense of community
- Property that continues to become junk yards.
- Racing - Big Concern
- Senior Services and healthcare/medical availability,
- The mega warehouse will destroy the roads, create untenable traffic, block roads that can't handle such long trucks, cause EMS and fire to be delayed and result in injuries death and property damage.
- I want no change in zoning on 44/55.
- I am opposed to the truck warehouse that is proposed for a site on route 44/55. It would negatively affect the quality of life in Plattekill & the surrounding towns. So many large trucks are inappropriate for the narrow one lane roads and would be a safety problem. The large size of the proposed warehouse would be bad for the local environment. There should be no changes to the zoning nor should there be any variances granted that would allow such a warehouse.
- Limiting the use of land for building
- My concern with commercial development is that the projects fit the needs/character of the town and that they do not cause undo harm and pollution. Our resources are already limited, their projects need to accommodate for that and need to reduce their carbon footprint.
- Property taxes reasonable. School taxes getting very high.
- Turning our major roads into a strip mall/drag strip and loosing the farms and woods to solar and development

Q8: Which of the following objectives do you feel most accurately support Economic Development in Plattekill? Use the 'other ideas' option to add your own objectives, actions, or comments.

Answered: 225 Skipped: 53



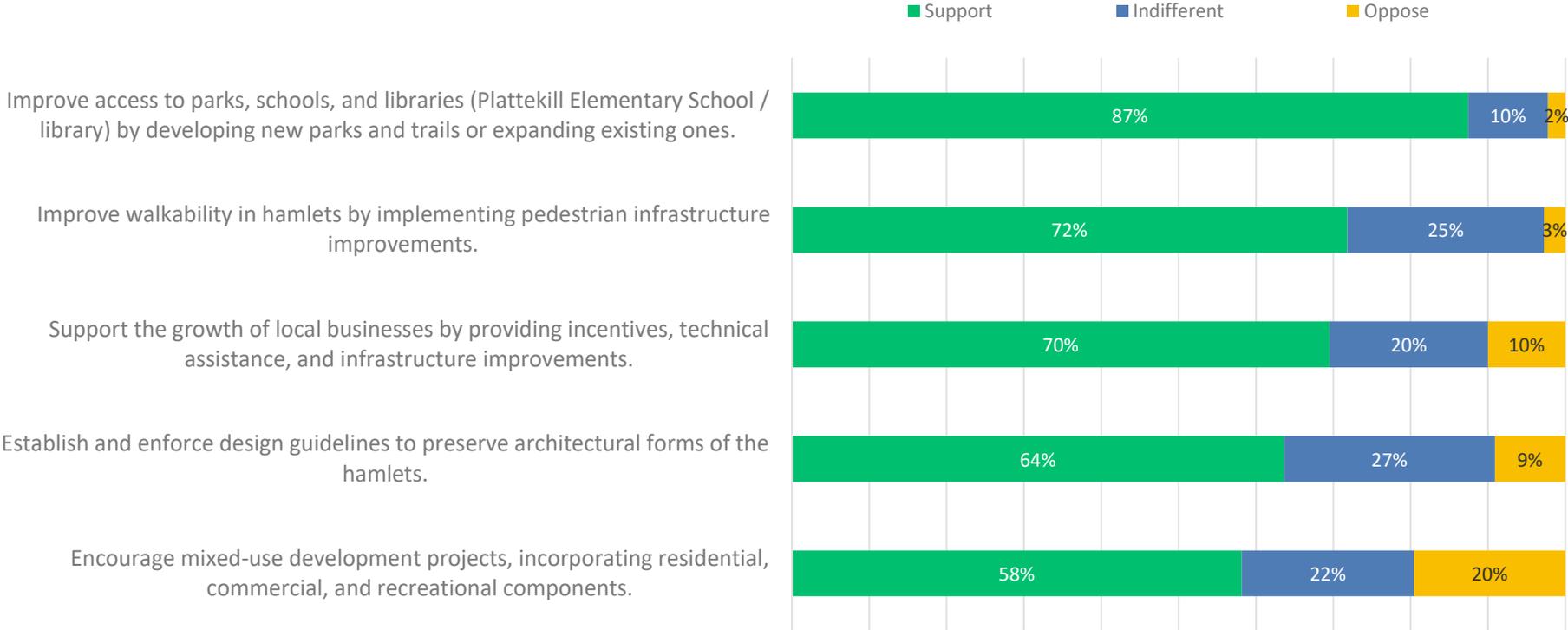
Q8: Which of the following objectives do you feel most accurately support Economic Development in

Plattekill? Use the 'other ideas' option to add your own objectives, actions, or comments. (other) Answered: 29

- Plattekill needs an entire upgrade. Have lived here on and off most my life. Area is depressed, houses look condemned. Taxes are much too high, homes are unsightly. No recreation for kids ie: pool, summer camps, dog park.
- Put your \$ where your mouth is. Set regulations and invest in our hamlets to encourage locally-oriented businesses in the hamlets (esp Modena) that will benefit we residents.
- Cluster housing developments around the hamlets. Affordable housing not section 8.
- No section 8
- improve appearance and infrastructure of a small town community NOT turn it into a commercial industrial area.
- create affordable housing communities
- Do not build things that hurt the community and area like mega warehouse.
- Business like dollar generals are typically found in poor communities, we can do better than allowing these mega corps to conduct their shady business practices here in our town
- Properties that are clearly abandoned or have fallen into disrepair must be dealt with by the town instead of left to scar the neighborhoods
- affordable housing for minimum wage workers
- Emphasis should be placed on infra-structure development to support the above.
- Invest but don't change character of the Hamlet do not overbuild and do not destroy the rural nature of the community
- We need sidewalks from Plattekill to Modena
- The town has outgrown its infrastructure. Speed limit too high in front of Plattekill school. Intersection by the post office is deadly and a liability at this point and we get no response. It's a hazard. The road in front of post office that goes to route 32 should be closed off and the traffic diverted out of that deadly intersection.
- So long as they allow the town to continue to be of suburban nature
- No racing. Better library. A few nice restaurants. No warehouse.
- We don't need to separate our hamlets. We need to better our town as a whole.
- Water, sewer, sidewalks and trash pickup.
- Revitalize the hamlet of Plattekill.
- Sidewalk on Plattekill Ardonia road from post office for 1/4 mile where people commonly not walk
- No ~~housing~~ housing. New Dollar General has a nice appearance.
- We need a new Town Hall building and have for a long time. I also think it needs community space, a senior center with programming similar to what the hamlet of Wallkill has.
- Comment on question on increased employment - any industry section must adhere to the characteristics of the homes and farmland in the area as they are the heart of this area. This Mega Warehouse is much more suited to areas like in the Town of Newburgh - no homes; high commercial area already exists. This warehouse does not belong on 44/55 near homes and does not have the ability to handle these large trucks as witnessed by several accidents on 44/55-rt. 32.
- Bring in small businesses restaurants, car wash, no truck warehouse
- I am opposed to the truck warehouse that is proposed for a site on route 44/55. It would negatively affect the quality of life in Plattekill & the surrounding towns. So many large trucks are inappropriate for the narrow one lane roads and would be a safety problem. The large size of the proposed warehouse would be bad for the local environment. There should be no changes to the zoning nor should there be any variances granted that would allow such a warehouse.
- No mega warehouse please
- Traffic conditions
- I support but highly recommend not turning our roads into rt 9. If you build, sidewalks, preservation of buildings with character and history. Give small businesses a chance to use abandoned buildings for other purposes(code issues? Rent?)
- I support growth in all these areas i.e., service based businesses that serve the community NOT outside corporations that do not provide direct service to the residents. Housing should be available and affordable but not packed in tenements that tax existing infrastructure or schools

Q9: Which of the following objectives do you feel most accurately support improving and maintaining Plattekill's Hamlets? Use the 'other ideas' option to add your own objectives, actions, or comments.

Answered: 223 Skipped: 55



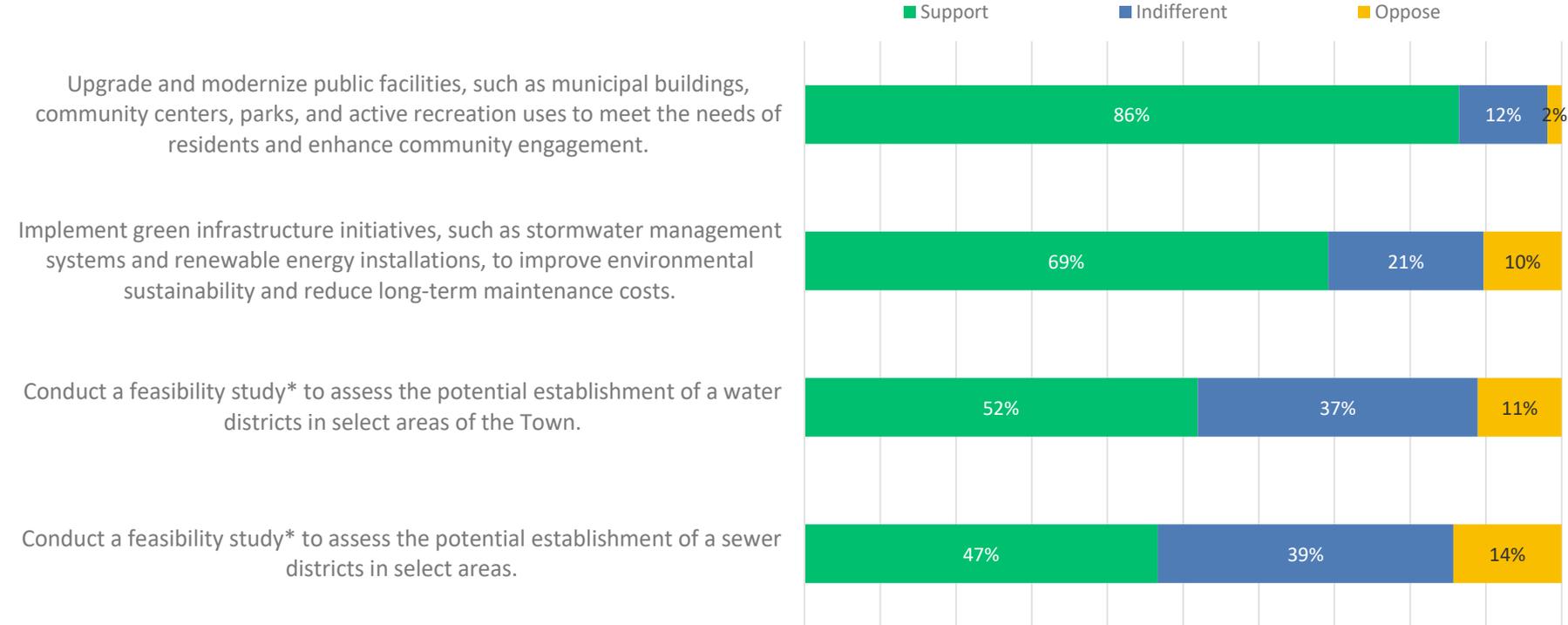
Q9: Which of the following objectives do you feel most accurately support improving and maintaining Plattekill's Hamlets? Use the 'other ideas' option to add your own objectives, actions, or comments. (other)

Answered: 28

- Park in Plattekill should have a public pool and dog park
- Keep Plattekill safe, small and not allow large business / industry that will compromise the rural nature of the town.
- Provide infrastructure (water & sewer/septic) support where needed to small businesses looking to locate in the hamlets, especially retail & food service businesses..
- Keep development in the hamlets and preserve the open spaces in between give incentives to farmers to not subdivide
- Supporting small local businesses and the local farms that residents and visitors frequent to keep the rural charm of the town and surrounding areas
- SUPPORT THE GROWTH OF NEEDED BUSINESS, NOT CAMPGROUNDS.
- local business yes - mom and pop shops - farming
- All good excerpt for a mega warehouse that will endanger kids.
- Not warehouses
- Oppose growth of industries that will greatly impact environment and create heavy traffic on rural roads
- LOCAL BUSINESS IS HOW WE GROW AND STILL MAINTAIN THE SMALL TOWN CHARM
- Encourage low impact, high quality craft enterprises (like cabinet makers), and discourage development that tends toward environmental and architectural homogeneity.
- Improving walkability by redoing the sidewalk on Maple Ave in Clintondale. Add sidewalks to more roads for safety. Reduce speed limit on Crescent Ave in Clintondale to 25 miles per hour for safer walking.
- Improvements that detrimentally effect forests, wetlands and air quality are NOT worth doing.
- Yes I own a local buisness and do not get support
- We need to nurture a more peaceful environment for all of our tax paying residents. These excessively loud, modified vehicles that drive around without consequence all over this town take away the peace and serenity that we all deserve.
- Get rid of the outdated verbiage in the town codes
- Support the design guidelines
- encourage the sense of community with local events
- Encourage our current focus of agri-tourism and discourage industrial growth such as large warehouses
- No incentives!
- No H
- Years ago, the town had a strategic plan. And that strategic plan it shows to make the area of development for the town of Plattekill within the hamlet of Modena near where The town hall is now and also where Hannaford is. I think it would be more efficient to decide on an area of development for the entire town rather than the individual hamlets. Sidewalks should be part of the development as Well, as small, but pretty areas could be
- Again I support growth of businesses but these businesses such as the Warehouse must be placed in area without neighboring homes bc of traffic, safety, light pollution.
- No large commercial projects that will increase traffic on our roads. Nice small town shops, restaurants. Keep it rural.
- I am opposed to the truck warehouse that is proposed for a site on route 44/55. It would negatively affect the quality of life in Plattekill & the surrounding towns. So many large trucks are inappropriate for the narrow one lane roads and would be a safety problem. The large size of the proposed warehouse would be bad for the local environment. There should be no changes to the zoning nor should there be any variances granted that would allow such a warehouse.
- All businesses except megawarehouse
- Again, support for business incentives does not mean a giant warehouse that taxes roads, increases congestion, and does not directly benefit residents and community. The warehouse is not a good idea. Supporting development of business does not mean support of that warehouse

Q10: Which of the following objectives do you feel most accurately support improving and maintaining Plattekill’s Infrastructure? Use the ‘other ideas’ option to add your own objectives, actions, or comments.

Answered: 215 Skipped: 63



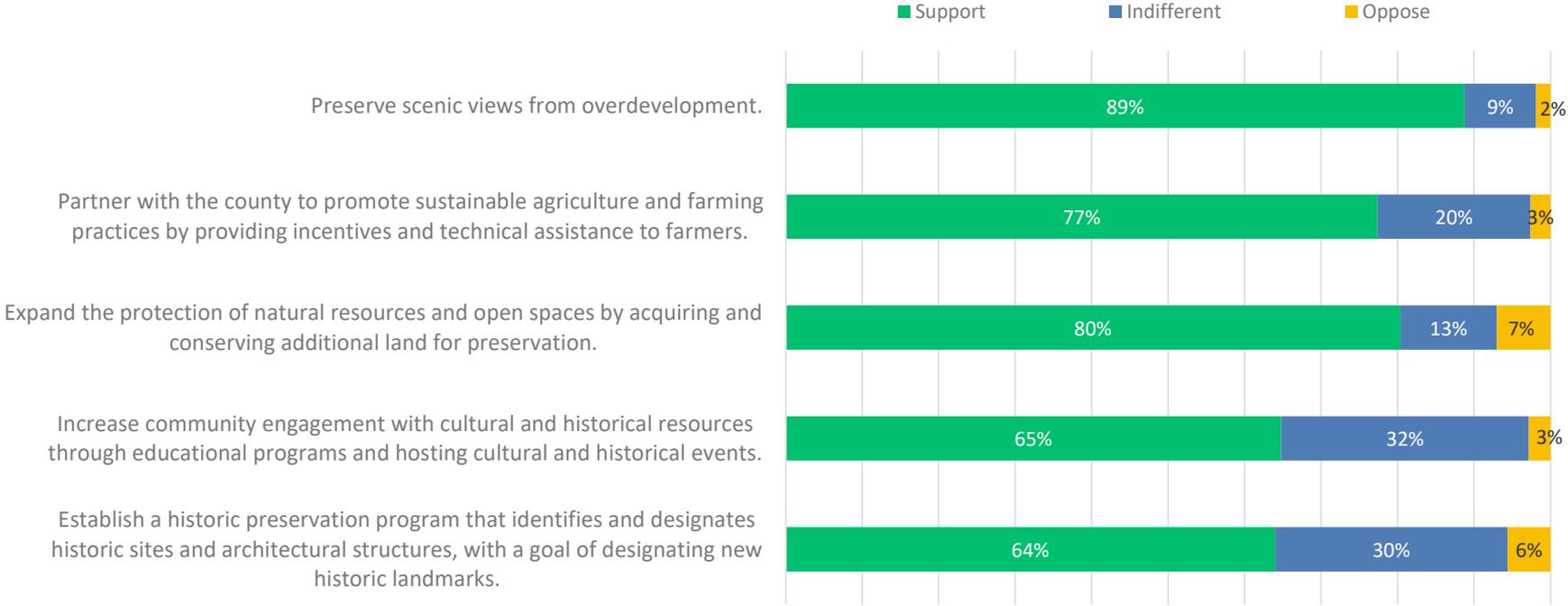
Q10: Which of the following objectives do you feel most accurately support improving and maintaining Plattekill's Infrastructure? Use the 'other ideas' option to add your own objectives, actions, or comments. (other)

Answered: 14

- These are all key initiatives to bring the town into the 21st century and keep our economy competitive with surrounding towns. County, state, and federal support should be obtainable for these common-sense initiatives, and they will more than pay for themselves in the medium-long run.
- Solar farms are not a long term solution.
- Yes. Green infrastructure. No mega warehouse
- Solar farms are a future environmental burden that does nothing for the community
- Support tax rebates for property owners who install solar on existing buildings and require all new construction to contain solar or other energy efficiency features
- "Green" improvements would require more imaginative capital financing than raising property taxes -hopefully that could be done.
- I support a feasibility study aimed at revising and updating the Master plan for Plattekill
- No water or sewer taxation districts! water wells and septic tanks works fine.
- support creativity & arts initiatives
- YES YES YES
- A new town hall.
- Yes. Save the wetlands by banning mega warehouse. We do not want increased traffic and tractor trailers causing accidents.
- Sidewalks wherever practical
- Make sure it isn't a waste of money. Green can be just as wasteful if not carefully researched and planned.

**Q11: Which of the following objectives do you feel most accurately support Community Character in Plattekill?
Use the 'other ideas' option to add your own objectives, actions, or comments.**

Answered: 215 Skipped: 63



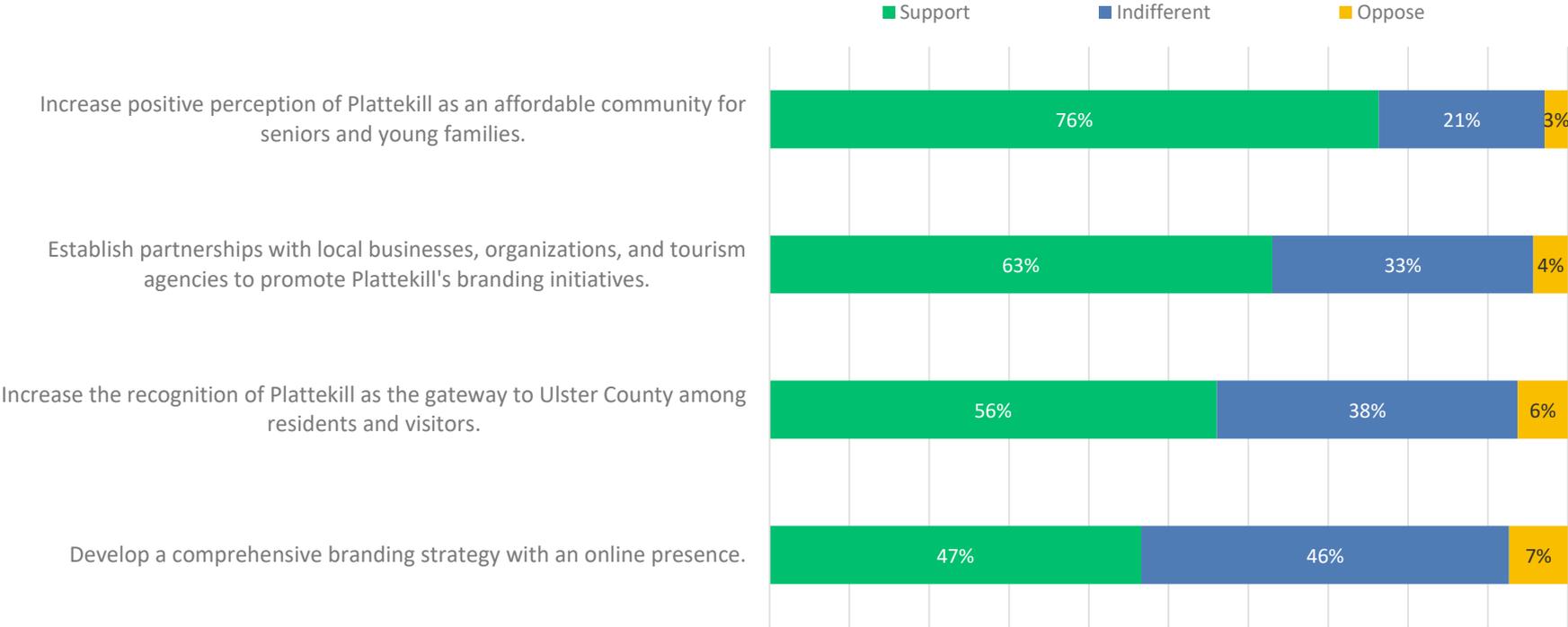
Q11: Which of the following objectives do you feel most accurately support Community Character in Plattekill? Use the 'other ideas' option to add your own objectives, actions, or comments. (other)

Answered: 10

- I'm more ambivalent than indifferent regarding the acquisition of land for preservation purposes. It's important to conserve our cherished natural resources for the future, but we should be judicious in not taking too many parcels off the tax rolls for this purpose. It also presents an obvious avenue for corruption and insider dealing that should be limited to preserve trust between the town's elected/appointed officials and its residents.
- Preserve marlboro mountain and upper Huckleberry tpke stop the bungalow colony proposed to be put in at 501 huckleberry tpke. Stop commercial development in residential zones
- Say no to 501 huckleberry and others like it. PRESERVE MARLBORO MOUNTAIN
- There are no real scenic views in Plattekill
- Support expansion of the Plattekill Library as much as possible.
- YES YES YES
- No mega warehouse 😞
- Do not destroy this beautiful place with a hellscapr mega warehouse.
- No Mega Warehouse on 44/55
- Build sidewalks to connect schools parks businesses. Clean up the unused, undeveloped lots with empty buildings. SIDEWALKS.

Q12: Which of the following objectives do you feel most accurately support building a Sense of Community and Branding in Plattekill? Use the 'other ideas' option to add your own objectives, actions, or comments.

Answered: 209 Skipped: 69



Q12: Which of the following objectives do you feel most accurately support building a Sense of Community and Branding in Plattekill? Use the 'other ideas' option to add your own objectives, actions, or comments.

Answered: 5

- Keep the Town unique and rural without large buildings and commercial properties
- My support for a comprehensive branding strategy is conditional on the specifics of the brand we're promoting. We should be appealing to people who value both what makes Plattekill great now and what we aspire for it to be. And we don't really need to promote Plattekill as affordable in the Zillow age - it either is or it isn't.
- Advertising = commercialism. Confident self-worth = integrity.
- increase recreational opportunities for residents
- Ulster Tourism, good resource!

Q13: Other Objectives or Projects:

Answered: 86

1. I want to reiterate my call for Plattekill's development policies to prioritize locally-owned, community-oriented businesses that provide a tangible service to Plattekill residents and enhance our quality of life. Especially retail and food service establishments that can double as gathering spaces, which are sorely lacking in the hamlets. As well, the comprehensive plan should clearly define rules that eliminate loopholes for big box stores and distribution centers that would destroy our transportation infrastructure, snarl traffic on the main thoroughfares, and risk safety on all of our roads.
2. offer education to town of plattekill residents about how all the town boards work.
3. Protected wildlife corridors and refuge for our non human residents
4. "Update/modernize the town hall to meet legal standards. Sound system, get rid of nasty carpet and upgrade seating/technology/sound system Stop allowing the commercialization of quiet residential areas"
5. I would simply like to see change that is for the resident's not outsiders. Support the taxpayers, zero destructive commercial businesses.
6. Clarification of what is grandfathered in when property is sold.
7. Please do not approve mega warehouse
8. No on the dump and massive warehouses
9. Invite business that adds charm and brings money into the town. If you're going to keep inviting trash companies likedollar general you might as well add a few liquor stores and a pawn shop then we can be just like Detroit.
10. Economic sustainability
11. Speed limits on county roads in residential areas, diesel truck idle and noise restrictions in residential areas
12. More enforcement of building and noise codes/complaints in residential areas. Organization of town-wide garbage collection (versus various private trucks collecting on different days)
13. Roadway speeding and dangerous driving in and around Clintondale is a huge concern for myself and my family. I would like to see a reduction in the speed limit which has demonstrated time and time again in numerous studies to improve safety and noise. I would also like to see a reduction in commercial/haulage idling in residential areas.
14. Reevaluate and enforce current zoning laws. Separate residential areas from business and outdoor recreation areas
15. Avoid high density residential development. Eliminate development of undesirable commercial and recreational uses
16. Do not expand the promotion of the town. We want it to remain rural small and keep to the values of the original founders beliefs.

Q13: Other Objectives or Projects:

Answered: 86

17. Attract an Amazon-type fulfillment center. It will increase the area's tax base and provide low- to medium-skill jobs, while only taking a small percentage of land space.
18. Do not allow a mega warehouse to be built on 44/55. It will have a hugely negative impact on traffic, natural resources and the character of the area.
19. As a ""reverse senior"" moving from Florida back north after tending my elder family, my employer Hannaford's H.R. folks in Tampa picked this area, the furthest south in their store map. With more family now in NJ, here I landed and am quite happy with Mr. Baum's mobile park of other seniors! I've found Plattekill to be quite diverse as well, so you've got plenty of planning, per this survey! i'm aware of the giant warehouse issue that's about the biggest thing to hit since I arrived in '09! It's made newspapers, the public radio from Albany, and our own local band of folks objecting; it's bigger to me than the dragstrip thing from a while back! With just a few homes at Aloha facing Ohioville Rd., and yet still part of the community, I'm really watching the SR 32 bridge at Locust Lawn, the one that'll hold only 1/3rd of a semi-load! If no luck there, the traffic shifts to the only other option, S. Ohioville Rd from the Thruway to get to Modena and points west. A warehouse and added traffic in a rural location is one thing; a massive infrastructure shortfall to allow it is another! All in all a great outreach to your community; see what goes up the flagpole and thanks for the oppty. to participate, from a ""transplant"" who's found Plattekill orderly, safe and an enjoyable place to hang my coat!
20. No
21. How can we utilize the energy and enthusiasm of youth - such as SUNY New Paltz and HS students - to develop a town that will be affordable, livable, and sustainable when they are the leaders of our community? They are at the cutting edge - they must be involved and allowed to contribute ideas for the future - not tired old ideas like warehouses or luxury condos that only benefit a few and do not improve the quality of life for everyone.
22. I am encouraged to see this planning initiative moving forward
23. Drag strip
24. Our roadway system (44/55,32,208) are woefully inadequate for the further development of Businesses. Please consider working with the county and state to widen and upgrade all roads including biking/walkway. additions.
25. Prevent mega warehouses from being built in predominantly residential areas. With attention to the impact of truck traffic on a hilly road, air quality in the area, as well as overall safety in the area.
26. Keep it simple. The residents of the town, including myself, don't want the town to become 'over-regulated'. Keep things the way they are currently.

Q13: Other Objectives or Projects:

Answered: 86

27. Please don't over develop.
28. Try to develop things for people to do to keep youth out of trouble and foster a sense of community.
29. A compost station for Plattekill residents to reduce landfill use and provide clean compost for green gardening.
30. Expand affordable housing options. Do not build any warehouses where there are no roads to support the truck traffic. The current warehouse proposal on route 44–55 would destroy the community all the way to Route 84 and the Thruway and north. Please be mindful of current residence when you determine what zoning changes you want to make the town of Plattekill.
31. Sidewalks / bike lanes from Plattekill to Modena This would be a wonderful way to connect the community and care about your community's health
32. stop the mega warehouse!!!!
33. "One thing I cannot stand is the amount of loose trash on the street and sides of streets. I'm in the neighborhood of New Unionville Road. Also, some of the properties along our road are used as personal dumping grounds for the occupant. I understand people want to be left alone and do "whatever they want" with their property, but piles of abandoned trash, abandoned carports and sheds filled with junk, and a few hoarding situations bring down the appearance and quality of the town. "
34. we don't need anymore dollar generals. at all. not one.
35. Some program to discourage littering and pollution, and instill a sense of pride in protecting the natural beauty of the area.
36. May be out of the control of Town gov't, but would love to see small-scale expansion of retail options. Would love to see a small Plattekill "down town" area with farmers markets and retail space. I'd rather that type of development over garbage dumps, drag racing strips and mega warehouses.
37. A welcome center.. we're a gateway for city people heading to our apple orchards, markets and mountains. Let this be a welcoming, desirable stop for them instead of a town they just drive thru. There is nothing that serves as a "welcome" in our town. NOT in the Modena area but when you first enter Plattekill near the school etc.
38. More free community days such as Food Truck nights, car /motorcycle shows, local craft vendor shows, etc. and not just in the summer. I've been preaching this to the powers that be (had been): we are on the winery, ciders and distillery trails. In conjunction with some of their events, promote ours for more traffic. Example: most of them have a limited menu so have a few food truck events on the weekends that coincide with their events. People love food trucks (including carts, ice cream, sweets, etc). Include some incentives for the local companies that do the actual winery tours too.

Q13: Other Objectives or Projects:

Answered: 86

39. It's not affordable for seniors or first time buyers.
40. A very large warehouse does not belong on 4455 as that road cannot handle large trucks or even small trucks. our town taxes should be kept as low as possible and we shouldn't waste tax money on things like feasibility studies for initiatives that we don't need and in the long run will just increase housing unaffordability through the increase of taxes.
41. - town wide residential trash pick up included in taxes (I.e. town of Cornwall) but hire first responders to run the trash trucks but run fire calls when possible to help alleviate the volunteer issues within our fire district. It helps the residents with trash costs and help residents in time of emergency.
42. A rec center at Thomas Felton
43. I would love to see the baseball field at Felten re-done! ;)
44. Better care of roads. Too many pot holes. Snow clearing is great! Roads tend to flood with heavy rains.
45. Real housing
46. I would love to see a community center for events as well as ability for residents to rent space similar to the pavilion at the park but with indoor space.
47. "I would like to see strong and robust support of our library, I also think the summer concert series is excellent."
48. Develop a comprehensive plan for our current town park land in order to increase usable facilities. Everything is currently being crammed into a small percentage of the available land.
49. Fix the pot holes and roadways
50. Need to create enforce regulations on block parties, racing, noise, drug use.
51. Community and local government involvement with the opioid crisis.
52. Involving Youth in programs to better understand development of our Community. Have them Plant a Community Garden. This Project would be overseen by Adults, but would create a feeling of Good self worth and satisfaction for the children; as they could care for and watch their Garden grow!
53. Some type of zoning laws, to get rid of the junk yards, and unkempt property.
54. Lower the speed limits in the towns.
55. More diverse and affordable senior housing initiatives.
56. Keep out warehouses including pot farms. You are only asking for increased crime

Q13: Other Objectives or Projects:

Answered: 86

57. New modern playground with splash pads. Our future is our children.
58. Although some expansion is good, I also would like to keep the small, hometown feel of Plattekill. I've been a resident for 14 years, and no matter where I go, people are always friendly. No matter what race, religion, age, gender etc. we are genuinely accepting of the community as a whole.
59. Build a larger community center & new library!
60. We need a diner.
61. The area has many eye sores. Ex homes surrounded by junk cars etc.
62. Clean up garbage and fine those who litter. Stop allowing people to use their backyard as their own private dumping ground. Some of the properties are really gross to drive past that have old cars and debris that are acres high behind them. Why isn't there zoning to prevent that?
63. Require commercial development to match nature of community. Don't allow the huge warehouse if the local roads aren't designed to handle the large throughput of huge trucks.
64. Keep Plattekill rural, safe and uncongested. I would rather have my taxes raised than allowing excessive commercial development such as mega-warehouses or new landfills. I live here because I like it as it is.
65. Zoning issue on 44/55 between 32 and 208; "light industrial" zoning for 500,000 square foot trucking warehouse wildly out of scope with any other structure in surrounding area and negatively impacting all of the housing, open space, and positive community development initiatives mentioned in this survey.
66. I think the town of plattekill should oppose the mega warehouse, it will completely change the neighborhood and cause many more truck accidents
67. It would be nice to see Plattekill and Hamlets cleaned up and people take care of their property.
68. Please actively consider other preservation of our environment and the rural character of ulster county no matter what area of the comprehensive plan.
69. Replace the town planning board. They are pandering to the wrong residents.
70. Commercial race tracks should be made illegal within the town.
71. Do away with the destruction of wildlife habitat, destruction and deforestation for nonsense city like projects.
72. No mega warehouse in Plattekill. Do not change zoning laws. Do not endanger the ecosystem, our children, and way of life. No increase in traffic on 44/55.

Q13: Other Objectives or Projects:

Answered: 86

73. No Mega Warehouses!!!!
74. It's funny that we have money to fight lawsuits against drag strips but we can't get sidewalks to make the roads safer for pedestrians.
75. Being a place that has practical things for people who already actually live here would be awesome. Gardiner caters to high end tourist but all the average people have a drive and drive just to have a sit down hamburger with the family. Other useful things like a laundromat, or hardware store would benefit actual residents and would be handy for tourists as well.
76. No Mega Warehouses, the area is not suitable for 270 tractor trailers a day destroying roads and making it unsafe
77. Better roads for bicycle riders. I know state and county roads are not under your jurisdiction, but they need improvement also.
78. The town lacks different types of shopping and food sources. Car wash would be nice. Different food types like Chinese food.
79. Sidewalks. Make landlords CLEANUP thier space. Abandoned buildings need to be demolished and lots at least cleared and clean.
80. This town needs to be cleaned up. I can show many properties from Plattekill Ardonia to New Unionville that are shanty's and should not be permissible. You have businesses that have created an eye sore, property that people are living on without running water and proper sewage. Property that people are using as some kind of storage. It is disgusting. Take care of this garbage first then move on to a community plan.
81. Expand the Town park to include other sporting options like basketball, tennis and pickleball courts. Add lights to the park so they can use more at night time
82. Stop the Mayo Trucking Company! Also Have more police patrol on Forest Rd. There is too much traffic.
83. I'm concerned of what I see as a large increase in traffic in the Plattekill area. That obviously comes with population growth which had an imact On commercial growth. More than not, there are also negatives that come along with this. The traffic increase combined with falling and dated roads has simply made area driving much more dangerous. There is a proposed mega warehouse to be constructed off of root 44 \ 55 between the traffic lights in Modena and Ireland corners this would make the roads even more dangerous.
84. Keeping local historical and cultural buildings and stores alive within the town.
85. Stop the Mayo Trucking Company. Police patrolling Forest Road.
86. I'd like to see laws against properties in the area that are abandoned or appear to be so. Should be held responsible or fined. Should be taken over by town and maintained if lost in foreclosures.

Q14: The one thing I think this survey failed to address is:

Answered: 74

1. Better avenues for community-building and public participation in town affairs. I have some professional experience facilitating open and participatory government, especially using digital tools, and would like to help however I can. -~~Security Realist, 84 Radolph Road, 847 007 1001.~~
2. Commercial infrastructure that would drain our natural resources, create more wetlands and water issues, make our roads unsafe, and decrease property value
3. I strongly oppose the proposal before the town for Modena Developers to build a very very large 10acre warehouse and trucking depot on Rte. 44/55 between Rt. 32 and Rte 208. The increase in truck traffic alone would close the door to Plattekill as a gateway to Ulster County. This proposal is a clear example of exactly what Plattekill does not need or want
4. Definitely not supporting the idea of a massive warehouse along our scenic byway spilling tractor trailers out onto country roads to travel 13 miles to the interstate they would be traveling. Not only would it destroy the charm and character of the town but roads that can't handle that volume of truck traffic would be destroyed increasing the towns highway department budget by a huge amount .
5. the survey failed to address real issues. It does not address the residents' concerns, the planning board is limited in knowledge, education and policies. You need to restart.
6. keep mega warehouses out of the areas that are outside the intersections of the 87/84 section
7. How the Grouping of mix manufacturing. Some would lead you to believe that I would like to all types within a category while I would like to see some types and not others.
8. Mega warehouse
9. The mega warehouse proposal which will negatively impact the environment, local farms, historic sites, parkland, and traffic on rural roads.
10. How do you feel about the decisions that have been made over the last few years
11. Make a rail trail on the old railroad tracks
12. I want NO change in traffic service level, No change in zoning or zoning variances at the junctions of 44/55 with Rt. 208 and Rt. 32. I want NO truck warehouse on 44/55 between 208 & 32. I do want protection of wetlands and aquifer.
13. a clear understanding that expansive growth is, by order of necessity, the agent of decay. Self-confident integrity does not require that it be "loved to death."
14. Noise pollution, public displays of political views, commercial businesses being run out of residential homes.

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Answered: 73

15. Future of Plattekill with regard to vision, mission, values, etc.. What are they and how do the key initiatives cascade down to create a holistic 'brand' and single minded messaging for residents
16. Roads and speed safety
17. Some questions too broad with no specific intentions identified
18. It appears to be focused on expansion of government and policy. This may seem like an idea some think attractive. However bigger and more is not necessarily better. Small and simple to a minimal degree is the reason people come here. If we wanted to live in Bergen County NJ we would move there. They can happily stay there and we can happily stay here while we are all welcome to visit each other any time.
19. Clean up the garbage
20. See #13.
21. Drag strip
22. Mega warehouse is a terrible idea and will ruin this area
23. We need to achieve balance in our future plans. NIMBY is not a plan, but thoughtless growth is just as dangerous to our community.
24. Above
25. There is no affordable housing in the Mid-Hudson Valley due to the law of supply and demand. There is nothing the town government can do to change that.
26. Multi family housing ... non sprawl housing.
27. There is a wave of warehouse construction throughout the northeast while it is understandable that a changing economy needs warehouses. Warehouses belong near roadways, not in rural communities with two lane highways. More people will be willing to move into the area if we encourage smart development, affordable, housing, and mixed used residential commercial where people can shop and get services not available through the Internet Thank you.
28. Winter activities at the park To help with the morale of our community during the long winter months And basketball court at Thomas Felton with or Tennis courts

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Answered: 74

29. The warehouse issue. The traffic from the hundreds of semi trucks.... and on Rt 44-55, Ohioville and rt32, etc... ARE YOU KIDDING ME???????????
30. let's get back to the roots and expand locally owned businesses!! stop commercializing our area with eye sores!
31. Ways to prevent food instability, like maybe community gardens and farm shares.
32. The lack of Police presence where it is needed the most! Around the Domenicos, USPS area. Don't just sit and park as a deterrent. Make stops and give tickets! People run the stop sign right in front of Police Officers with no consequence. Not enough police presence! These wild drivers in loud cars are dangerous and all over this town! They add to the decline. Sad.
33. besides a very limited town, government taxes should only go towards DPW and required infrastructure maintenance.
34. Develop a Main Street Plattekill... business, focus, where all residents and visitors want to be. Restaurants, stores, Plattekill happenings. A place to make us proud to be in Plattekill.
35. Over population to our schools with increasing housing in our area. Traffic that comes with big corporations. All our abandoned businesses that sit vacant and have become eye sores while we continue to build new buildings.
36. Lack of communication from town board officials
37. Opposition to the mega warehouse. I am extremely concerned about this project!!!!
38. The cost of all this. Living on a fixed income (SSA) is not easy in this area.
39. Doing something about the traffic nightmare during the weekends and summer with the motorcycle traffic that has no respect for residents. It is getting worse with each passing year.
40. Housing concerns
41. Volunteer or opportunity for teens who need something to do or are bored without having to travel especially for low income parent that have limited transportation option. Instead teens wander the streets.
42. Block large warehouse project
43. Family-friendly and teen recreational areas to encourage healthy living. Like Skateboard parks, Playgrounds, Tennis/ Basketball/ Volleyball courts and Winter ice rinks.
44. Community safety, drug prevention, a place for young people to have a safe place to meet, have activities, learn and study with friends.
45. Community access to what's happening in the town of Plattekill via a Newsletter.

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46. I am strong opposed to the mega warehouse project. We must protect our wetlands, our animal habitats and our agriculture. I'm also opposed to large scale multi-unit housing developments.
47. Children
48. Conditions of the Thruway bridges, one is out indefinitely. The one on Ohioville Rd. is really bad, I feel like we shouldn't even have our flag on it.
49. How building a Mega Warehouse will harm Plattekill water, soil, air and leads to traffic accidents and other .issues
50. The buildings along Rt 32 that are empty need to be knocked down.
51. Our recycling is.very poor. Housing and rents outrageous.
52. The idea of a town center and a new town hall/community center within the town of Plattekill. I don't think individual focus should be on the hamlets.
53. Can we get the school districts to reduce their taxes? The school district taxes in New york are outrageous.
54. The importance of proper zoning.
55. Mega warehouse that we do not need.
56. The cost of the study and its impact on tax payers. Addressing why businesses aren't coming to the area
57. Perception of non elected town board who are appointed but not working for the community.
58. I am opposed to the truck warehouse that is proposed for a site on route 44/55. It would negatively affect the quality of life in Plattekill & the surrounding towns. So many large trucks are inappropriate for the narrow one lane roads and would be a safety problem. The large size of the proposed warehouse would be bad for the local environment. There should be no changes to the zoning nor should there be any variances granted that would allow such a warehouse.
59. The mega warehouse
60. Large commercial companies or groups looking to develop Plattekill their way! Nonsense!
61. The fact that no matter what happens, this town has had ineffective, poor leadership for decades now. Funds are regularly mismanaged and no one is willing to pursue available grants out there. There's a lot of lip service at meetings but I filled out a similar survey a few years ago and nothing changed then and won't change now. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] In Plattekill it's just the same [REDACTED] but a different day around here. Maybe one day my kids will actually see meaningful change since after several generations we're still waiting. 🙄

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62. The mega warehouse
63. This is actually great and makes me feel good that others are seeing and thinking about how to make practical improvements for the town and hamlets.
64. The mega warehouse
65. Mobile homes - we have enough parks that make up the low/affordable homes for our area but we need to address how they are separated and how we can build stronger communities through cooperation- like building codes and parks for kids nearby.
66. More transparent communication to town residents regarding projects in town, especially non-conforming projects seeking approval.
67. Emergency service response and plan. Decrease in volunteers and extended response time. Paid providers.
68. The mega warehouse
69. The possibility of a mega warehouse being built. Many concerns of traffic and safety, loss of wetlands, higher taxes,. Better things can be planned besides a mega warehouse. This town lacks different types of shopping, food sources. The idea of a mega warehouse is frightening.
70. As the direct question: DO YOU WANT THE WAREHOUSE BUILT? Stop dancing around the issue and ask.
71. The buildup of traffic.
72. I think there are some quality objectives in the planned, but a mega warehouse would change the town of Plateau for the worst. Thank you for the opportunity to respond with thoughts about the comprehensive plan. — [REDACTED], Plattekill Resident
73. How large projects were not disclosed to residents in a reflective and transparent manner. It seemed as though it was done without public input. The 450,000 square foot mega warehouse would be a disaster for this community. Have been accidents at the intersection of 44 \ 55 and 32 and there is no shoulder to support that many trucks. The water, view, local indigenous animals, insects, birds etc. will be at risk in an area that thrives with farms, orchards open air and space the diesel alone from the trucks will have a negative impact on our environment. The aqueduct that runs along that area could be compromised and that could be a of serious concern to the city of New York. The routes that trucks would need to take to arrive at that spot would overcrowd our surrounding towns and create blind spots for busses traveling with schoolchildren. This is not an industrial area, but an agricultural area and the two do not mix!
74. The traffic.