



T-Time Survey Comments Directory – Recreation/Community Center Uses

**Please note for this section: 20 “nothing,” “none” or “not needed” comments were removed. Without context, it was not clear if respondents meant they don’t have anything additional to add or they do not want a community center.*

- A. Pro-Community Center
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- D. Facilities/Activities for Seniors & Youth – “all ages”
- E. Space for kids, teens and young adults
- F. Day/Child Care Space
- G. Basketball Space – pro & con
- H. Pool – indoor or outdoor
- I. Dog Park
- J. Parks, Recreation, Crafts, Classes, Meetings, Computer comments (indoor & outdoor)
- K. Outdoor Space – with mixed uses
- L. Playground as lead suggestion
- M. Community Garden (include Farmer’s markets and food trucks)
- N. Coffee Shop or Internet Café as lead suggestion
- O. Concerts/Music/Theater
- P. Cultural/Community Events – non-music
- Q. Golf Course Suggestion
- R. Roller Skating/Ice Skating Rink
- S. Community Kitchen
- T. Miscellaneous or single idea comments
- U. High School/Library – already have some options?
- V. No Duplication between existing services & Community Center
- W. Willy’s Gym vs. Community Center
- X. General Design comments or requests
- Y. Include Solar/Eco-Friendly/Environmental Comments
- Z. Harwich, Chatham, Orleans, Barnstable, Provincetown, Mashpee & Wellfleet Facilities, Community Centers or Activities
- AA. YMCA Comments
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- DD. Financial Comments – pro & con
- EE. Housing instead of Community Center – pros & cons
- FF. No Housing
- GG. Business Comments
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A. Pro-Community Center

1. Just a community center in general is THE best option 🙌.
2. The community center could be the heart of Eastham. A much needed space for the young and old to gather, play, socialize, and build a strong sense of community. Eastham needs it.

3. I strongly feel that having a community center is important while I raise different age children here in Eastham.
4. Lots of people will soon look for something bringing folks together post COVID Here's the chance!
5. Community center important for bringing us all back together. Especially after Trump, and corona, we need togetherness!
6. This space would help connect community residents.
7. It would be great for the space to be such that it can provide family activities on a rainy day.
8. I think that the town needs a community center to meet the needs of all age groups.
9. A wonderful opportunity for our town.
10. A community experience where residents can use their talents for a community experience
11. Help provide more togetherness for community. For full time residents.
12. The town needs a community center for young and old.
13. Place to get together, meet greet others that have similar likes/interests
14. Socialization opportunity, especially off season.
15. Important to give the town a location to bring people to use/visit. Most towns have one.
16. A community center would give residents a place to gather and share interests and activities, especially in the off-season.
17. Eastham has need of meeting spaces for both town and social committees & groups, currently limited to Town Hall & Library facilities.
18. It's a valuable asset to the community. Much more important than residences.
19. Would be a great addition to our community!
20. Sense of community and something to be proud of.
21. Since we don't have an ocean beach, it is a good way for people to get to know each other.
22. Believe this would be a fantastic addition to Eastham.
23. Focus on inclusion and cooperation, valuing the contributions and benefits that can be made by all age groups interaction together.
24. This would help to create a real sense of community in Eastham. We are missing a central gathering place that can bring together people with varied interests and ages. A community center is an amazing idea and I hope this happens!
25. I think the preliminary plan is being developed very thoughtfully.
26. The location for a community space is excellent.
27. Our town needs this!
28. So very badly needed to bring our community together in a wide range of different ways!
29. Eastham has many older retired residents. it would allow residents to have more social interaction.
30. It's a central place which could bring a closer place for opportunity for those who needed and aren't able to go to the other towns.

31. It would be great to have a central gathering place for the residents as well as visitors to the town.
32. Gathering spot to meet and interact with people is needed.
33. A multipurpose community center would fill a space that the HS auditorium cannot. It is really something missing for all age groups.
34. We have a wonderful chance to make T-Time just such a facility. Think creatively and out of the box! The support is there.
35. A community center could form the hub of a town center in Eastham, something that is currently missing from town.
36. This is an extremely worthy addition for our town.
37. Eastham is a wonderful town but lacks a community center and a community wellness center.
38. It will benefit the entire Eastham population...
39. It will make friends out of strangers.
40. We need a place the community can come together.
41. It's a great idea. We have no downtown, so an active place for people to gather and interact would add a lot to our sense of being a community.
42. Happy this space will be a community space.
43. The outer cape needs this.
44. Very excited for community space in town!
45. I just personally believe it would be really fun to have somewhere new to go in Eastham. We need a community space.
46. It would give our residents a place to meet others and share mutual activities.
47. A complex where a variety of activities connect the town and where people can share and communicate helps strengthen the sense of belonging that holds communities together.
48. Having a community center embraces everyone to get to know each other and make new friends.
49. The town is a wonderful place to live but is missing a spot for people to meet other than the library. I feel having a spot where people can join together and participate in activities would benefit the town.
50. Eastham is such a great town but we lack a true town center & gathering space other than the dump.
51. I think the town desperately needs a facility that can be used by all ages. There is so little to do in Eastham.
52. A community center would be an incredible asset to all town residents.
53. A community center would bring people together, centralize activities and act as a town center, which Eastham does not currently have.
54. I love that this old space has a future!
55. A multi-purpose community center would fill a necessary niche and improve so many residents lives.
56. A community center is ESSENTIAL for this area and would bring people from all areas from PTown to Orleans together.
57. Eastham really does not have town center with restaurants, shops, and recreation space- it would be nice to have "center" which included all of those.
58. A community center will create a "heart" of the town.

59. Since Eastham does not have a true center for folks to congregate (other than the transfer station and the Superette), this would be a welcomed addition to town.
60. As more older people retire to or afford more time at their homes in Eastham, a community center will be essential.
61. Build a community center!!!... Eastham needs one.
62. A community center for a multitude of activities is needed at this end of the Cape!
63. Thank you for doing a great job!
64. I thought that creating a community center was why we purchased t-time.
65. Community activities are an important part of the fabric of Eastham. Having a central location for these activities would continue to grow that connection. The facilities listed above are multi-generational. This would also foster community connections.
66. We need this in Eastham to help with a sense of commitment as we are all spread out.
67. Currently the Windmill Green seems to be the "Town Center". But it is not large enough for events especially in the summer. T Time area could meet the needs of events, such as Historical Society antiques events, concerts, etc.
68. The public library has excellent meeting spaces and facilities. However remaining active especially for seniors can be challenging in bad weather if one wants to stay in the town of Eastham. Also Eastham lacks a feeling of community - this could help a lot.
69. Community center for i.e. craft fairs, Turnip Festival, Town Wide Yard Sale and all-season activities.
70. Eastham does not have a town center so it would be perfect to make this the town center area.
71. I think a community center is THE most important thing to put at t-time.
72. I feel like a place like this is lacking in our area & we could all benefit from a community center.
73. This is such a wonderful idea!!!! Born and raised here in Eastham, I always wished for this. now at age 41, it would be so wonderful to have my daughter have a fun safe space to go! Our children DESPERATELY need space. a safe monitored space where they can have multiple choices on activities. Sign-up sheets for different activities.. gage what's popular and what isn't to the kids, change up the activities. ASK our kids, "what would you guys like to do after school every day" they could get passes for their friends from out of town? High school age Easthamers could do a lot of volunteering for their college apps(community service) This center could generate jobs! There's a million thoughts I have about this! (positive)! I vote yes! Totally not just for kids/students of Eastham. Us adults could benefit toooo!! :)
74. A community center is vitally important to the physical and mental health of all of the town's residents. What a wonderful opportunity to provide a meeting place for the community!

75. There is no true center to Eastham. Not only will this bring a feeling of bringing the community together it will also fulfill a need for a place for the kids to go to hang out and participate in after school activities and team sports.
76. Here are some ideas! I would love to see an indoor track to use for walking / jogging(especially for use in the wintertime) with the basketball court below it. Meeting rooms that can hold e.g. arts and crafts for children, informative meetings, and the like. Exercise classes, or classes of interest e.g. photography, knitting, etc.
The community desperately needs a place for young people to spend time safely in the off season. An indoor space that is functional for all younger age groups is key.
77. I feel a community Center that is especially geared towards families would be
78. beneficial - something for everyone. Keep the kids active and out of trouble and parents entertained as well.
79. Have it be a Community Center for not only Eastham but the Outer Cape. Wellfleet, Truro have nothing at all.
80. we need a space where diversity in culture, sex and age can work in unison in as a full and inclusive community to assist the people of this community who need a space to do exactly that, a community center working for the community in unison with all Town Departments for the people they serve! Ta Dah!
81. A community center would be extremely important and a hub for the community. Eastham does not have a community meeting place and a community center would provide a great resource for the town.
82. A place to meet friends and shop and eat would be so nice since we don't really have a town center currently.
83. So excited to see something for our community!!
84. So excited this has been put in to motion!!
85. Community centers do so much for the public! It would be great to also see a full time preschool program there- there is a high demand and low supply of child care on the outer Cape.
86. I've been to several community centers an I found them all well used and uplifting! Please expedite this. T Time has sat unused way too long.
87. The Community Center would serve people best if the needs of kids and teens was prioritized.
88. Since we don't have a village downtown, make it an esthetically (not utilitarian) designed complex that could serve as the center of Eastham, with a square, paths and a few village shops, like an art gallery and cafe. It doesn't have to be fancy – in fact it should embrace the historic and natural character of the town. But visitors will notice and use it as a useful destination.
89. As a kid I had such great experiences at a multigenerational community center, such art classes, music classes, cultural events, and even as a young kid it was clear how much the elders enjoyed sharing space and activities with us kids. A lot of these experiences continue to influence me and enrich my life more than 4 decades later.
90. Eastham needs a community center. So many towns have them on the cape. It's an important part of the community and place for residents to meet

91. Consideration should be given to compliment the high school renovation. The high school could provide the large meeting areas and possible theatre as well as some sports venues. The community center should be the hub of the town and gathering place for residents. We desperately need a focal point for the town that we currently lack.
92. What I find missing in your options is a gathering space for young people. We need to make Eastham attractive to young, working families. Creating a space where teenagers can socialize would promote that. The space should include food and drink (non-alcoholic, of course), recreational equipment (ping pong, pool), music. It should be a place for young people to hang out and socialize.
93. Adult recreation, indoorwalking track, exercise equipment, rooms for card games, maybe a pool, reasonable fee for Eastham home owners, clean, lots of light, heating, healthy environment. We need a place to walk during inclement weatherour population is pretty white headed and we need to walk every day.
94. There are too many benefits to having a community center to mention here. The most obvious being that none of our towns in the Nauset district have a town center or community space for gathering which is imperative to a healthy society and community. A place where people can connect, play and learn would strengthen the social fabric and help grow strong children and families and create a support network of all ages and abilities. I hope this project gets a foothold in Eastham and spreads to other towns on cape.
95. Eastham would benefit greatly from a community center- this is an excellent opportunity to provide a center for lower Socially economic families to thrive and the adolescents and young adults would have an excellent opportunity to grow and better themselves. This has been a long time coming and as someone who has lived in Eastham their whole life I am pleading the town to go through with this as it's something our community desperately needs and deserves
96. A well-thought-out community center could do wonders for the mental health of Eastham residents. Rates of addiction and mental disorders such as anxiety and depression (unusually high on Cape Cod) are lower when people have a strong sense of connection with their neighbors. Having a place to make social connections and engage in a variety of activities is also beneficial for these issues.
97. A year round venue/community space for kids and adults with diversified programs is important.
98. Eastham is a lonely place -- there is no central place to meet other inhabitants. We are divided by a highway, and further divided into two "towns" -- Eastham and North Eastham -- the town hall and library are in Eastham -- we NEED a community space in North Eastham that can bring us all together -- young and old.
99. A community center would be an incredible asset for Eastham and its residents. The way the town is set up now, there is no real town center or gathering place with activities (beyond the Windmill Green), and this would be an awesome use of the TTime property. It would create a sense of community and the potential possibilities are endless.
100. Sports options indoors and out for all ages as well as a multi-use center.

101. I think it should be considerate to all ages to be truly s town community center.
102. I'm new to Eastham, and would value a space where the community can meet to take part in activities, such as exercise classes, having larger meetings/gatherings, and space for people to use for individual talents, like artists, musicians, etc. But, we do have a gorgeous library and town hall might have space to accommodate some of these needs?
103. A community center would be a wonderful opportunity for all age groups in the town of Eastham. What a way to facilitate bringing people in the community together!
104. Our youth are under served in Eastham. A community space that benefits ALL is what I think we need. A combo of things would be great. An outdoor skate area, basketball hoops, a place to play catch etc. Then a community building/ gym space that could be used for an "open gym" for younger kids a couple times per week and yoga, Zumba etc. for our older folks. Let's do it on a BUDGET.
105. Nice to have a place that is good for all age groups.
106. Community center would benefit all.
107. Include all ages in the decision making
108. This is the best most equitable choice for the while of Eastham. All ages...quality of life etc.
109. A community center would support a more cohesive identity for Eastham residents since there would finally be a hub for activities. Currently, there are few places where all ages of residents come into contact with each other. What is missing on the Cape, which would bring money to the area, is an indoor rollerskating rink, which could also be rented out to the roller-derby teams for practice and competitions.
110. The town needs a gathering place for all ages.
111. The center should be for all ages. It should be a melting pot so the young intermingle with the older. It should advocate and support the highbrow, but not discriminate against the low brow.
112. In visiting other town's community centers, it was clear that Eastham was sorely lacking in an opportunity to serve ALL citizens. These centers were bustling with people of ALL ages in activities and meetings. The old could engage the young as mentors / coaches and the young could form relationships with the full palette of talents in our town. It was wonderful to see. I want this for our town's citizens.
113. A community space would become an essential part of Eastham in that it would provide a gathering space for all ages and would evolve as the population grows and changes from year to year.
114. I think it's important to ensure this space will welcome a multitude of ages. Lower Cape residents between the ages of 12-20ish have little opportunities to be social in a positive way (if they aren't involved in sports), especially in the winter. I hope this space will be able to offer a variety of things that specifically appeal to these ages. Thank you!
115. The cape in general desperately needs to keep young people from moving off cape. One of the reasons some leave is lack of things to do in the off season.

Additionally, providing alternatives to young adults / teenagers goes a long way to reducing alcohol and drug use. Rec centers have worked all over the country. We need lots of them on the cape.

116. I would add outdoor recreational facilities to the list. Basketball, tennis, exercise, jogging paths, things like that. Also, outdoor music facility like a band shell would be great for the community. The community has become so developed that just having another park would be beneficial. A place where locals can gather. It may seem odd to suggest a park when we have a lot of seashore all around us, but this will be different it's for the community, not the visitors.
117. I own a home in Eastham close to this space. I hope to move here permanently before too long. I would love to see a facility that offers indoor and outdoor space for all ages. Basketball courts, outdoor spaces - a community garden/farm? Space for artists. Meeting places and community resource for the elderly. It can all be achieved if well planned.
118. The town needs a destination facility for the outer Cape and Region to access programs from fitness, the arts, to professional conference. Offer a multipurpose facility that can provide multiple solutions both on and off season; it could become a destination if done right.
119. Space for a variety of interests, all ages. Eco-friendly. Outdoor space very important***, as well as indoor spaces. Gardens, gardening and outdoor sports spaces like tennis courts, basketball court. Appreciation of Music and the Arts worked in.
120. I would like to see a natural space that blends nicely into the cape environment that can be used for all age levels. No modern, garish buildings please.
121. Providing a community center would offer Eastham residents (of all ages and economic brackets) opportunities that they have never had before. This would bring about a sense of community and connectedness that has long been missing and longed for in Eastham. Families with young children and other youth to middle aged residents would finally have incentives to live and grow in Eastham and actually feel welcomed and wanted. This is an exceptional plan. Thank you!
122. For all ages.
123. Programming for people of all ages.
124. Meets needs of all ages.

B. No Community Center

1. Eastham has a large health center already a community center is not needed.
2. Presently the town has COA, High School, Library, Town Hall and many other outdoor facilities. Also privately owned facilities such as Willy's and glo.
3. it is unnecessary.
4. Eastham is a senior citizen environment and a seasonal / tourist town. A huge community center or more "affordable housing" is ridiculous and makes no logical sense.
5. We have paid for community space, meeting rms, with new fire station, new elementary school, new library, new HS space- enough.

6. Totally unimportant at this time. Our taxes are high enough.
7. A community center would be nice but there are more pressing needs.
8. We have our beautiful library with meeting spaces, performance room, outdoor gathering areas, leisure time places. We have the Eastham United Methodist Church where Boy and Girl Scout troops meet, community dinners are held, music groups rehearse, support groups for addicted persons and their friends and families gather. We have space at our town hall for meetings and outdoor space behind that building for physical exercise and sports activities. Willy's Gym is available. A community center is redundancy and not a place for me.
9. The library currently functions as a community center with large and small meeting rooms for meetings and entertainment and an exhibit space. The chapel augments this. Windmill green provides outdoor meeting space. Plus, the HS, Salt Pond Visitor Center and the Elks round out what is pretty plentiful resources for a small town such as ours, not to mention Willy's.
10. I do not see the need for any large event center. We voted against developing site based on traffic issues in the area. Let's support the businesses that are already in Eastham along with new high school and library.
11. We don't want one.
12. Not exactly sure why a community center is that important.
13. The population is too small for a community center. Who comes up with these wasteful ideas.
14. We are not in favor of a community center in any way shape or form.
15. Community Center would be nice, but at the expense (exclusion) of what other options?
16. We don't need a community center. We have a very large library, we will have more space at Nauset High School. This land does not need to be developed.
17. Community center is not a priority. Housing and jobs are important.
18. I do not believe we need a community center.
19. Eastham has outdoor space (beaches, Elks), garden space (in private homes), art spaces (galleries), exercise studios.
20. If the Nauset Highschool renovation project goes through, it *should* serve as a community center with adequate space for music, sports, arts, fairs/shows, etc. Using the entire T-Time area as a community center would be a waste, when we already have Nauset HS, the windmill green, a brand new public library, and the field of dreams behind town hall.
21. Requires too much taxpayer money to maintain/heat/run.
22. I do not think that Eastham needs a Community Center when we have the Multi-Million dollar Library sitting there un-utilized. I think we need MORE open space areas as the town is too congested now with new housing going up all over that does not go with the landscape of the town. No big business or Community Center.
23. I think many of the items above are provided either by private or town resources (e.g. pickleball, meeting space at library, etc.).
24. Nauset high school is a great place to be a public sports center, if only the gym was updated and the renovations and money was put towards fixing the school. Studio space, exhibition space, and performance space is very seriously lacking

in Eastham. The arts are what make the outer cape so special. There are many spaces to work out other than a community spot. I also believe affordable housing for youth is extremely important. My siblings and I want to live on cape cod the rest of our lives. How are we going to do that fresh out of college? We want to help maintain the integral traditions of cape cod, and preserve its historical importance, but we also want to make it a more inclusive, more affordable space for those whose whole lives are on the cape, but whose bank accounts can't afford the increasingly expensive homes on the outer cape. Let cape kids have a future.

25. I'm concerned about the cost of running a community center. We have a town hall with meeting spaces. More than likely a new High School that could be utilized for after school/ public use.
26. I never considered a community center and doubt I would use it.
27. It seems a lot of the proposed use ideas are already met by buildings like the high school and library.
28. Some of these functions can be handled by other public buildings, such as the high school and public library or by the nearby private venues. No need yet to duplicate spaces.
29. This project will add higher taxes to homeowners. Including: employees to manage the programs, employees to maintain the building's, cost to clear land, cost to build buildings, etc. loss of taxes on the property. Best solution is sell the property. Than gain revenue thru taxes on property.
30. I'd rather the area were maintained as open space or park. Eastham is congested enough along Route 6.
31. I believe the public library performs these functions and am opposed to another municipal expensive building.
32. because we have a very large library with many rooms, to my mind underused, I think the focus of this space should be more with a focus of outdoor spaces, and maybe a venue for weddings, and community affairs.
33. I think a community center would probably be underutilized relative to the cost. The new library functions well as a community center. I would prefer to see the area landscaped as a public park with no structures other than perhaps some benches and pergolas.
34. Consider the feasibility of utilizing schools and other public buildings (after hours) for some of these functions with small fees charged to cover the costs of public usage (electricity, janitorial, etc.)
35. concerned that a community center not take away from the special small town feeling of Eastham and certain areas of Cape Cod.
36. Not interested in a community center. I've lived in 2 towns that had one and it was barely used. Services can easily be found elsewhere for those who want them.
37. Not necessary and likely not sustainable with taxes either.
38. With the new normal it's a waste of taxpayer money. Will the people you have placed in the community housing be employed at this community center? Or, will they continue to work outside the community? We still need private roadways PLOWED and maintained. How about residents ambulance fees waived. How

about paying more for our essential service people. Police, fire, rescue. How about free hookups to a water project that was pushed on taxpayers. How about implementing septic instead of a community center!

C. COA/Senior Center

1. COA actually HAS a good bldg...
2. I would love to see the COA and rec department team up to create inter-generational programming - this could be a huge benefit for families with young children and seniors together.
3. Eastham's present COA is a disgrace compared to others throughout the Cape.
4. Definitely need a new COA.
5. COA to be included.
6. I like the idea of a community space and agree that the COA needs more space, however we have a brand new library that has spaces available that somewhat duplicate what the community center would provide.
7. There should be a kitchen to serve COA and town needs, not necessarily a 'Community Kitchen'.
8. Private offices for COA counseling.
9. Child care space might be nice, especially if this is going to be a COA space, maybe something multi-generational?
10. I like the COA on a back road as it is.
11. COA needs office space as well as space for various activities, evening hours of use as well as daytime.
12. However, with proper planning the property could include housing and all the needs for COA.
13. Why move COA? COA has a very adequate space.
14. Eastham has a COA that is located where there is not a traffic problem. If it is moved here, is there a good plan to deal with the increase in traffic off of Route 6 and do you have a good plan for the use of the present COA?
15. If the new centered is open and coa moved there, space is available at empty coa bldg.
16. Don't think you should duplicate resources that are already available- i.e. tennis courts at the high school, COA building.
17. If space could be configured in the new high school, it might serve to provide the same/similar services of a community center.
18. I haven't heard a reason for a community center when there are numerous buildings in Town that were constructed for meeting spaces, COA, Schools.
19. We have other spaces that could be used for some of these things, library for meetings, coa exists, & has a large kitchen that should be use for others, new high school could be used for youths.
20. Extremely important the Community Center is for ALL ages. Do Not duplicate already used available spaces. such as the COA. School field, Windmill park, National Seashore.
21. Council on aging facilities.
22. Senior center.
23. A much needed upgrade for a senior center.

24. We should have a large space for the Senior Center thrift shop. The current location is too small and not a convenient location.
25. Lots of forethought about senior citizen's needs.
26. We have a nice Senior Center and the new Eastham Library. The functions of these buildings should not be duplicated.
27. At the top of my list is a community center and possibly turning the present Senior Center into professional or office space.
28. We should prioritize a new senior center.
29. A community center for all ages is extremely important. The existing senior center doesn't serve the needs of everyone in town. The library was a move in the wright direction, but parking is awful.
30. Not something taxpayers should pay for except for new/expanded senior center.
31. Part of the community center should be a senior center.
32. Many options for seniors are needed in Eastham.
33. It sounds like the senior center needs a new home and other town offices that would be appropriate there.
34. I think space for Eastham's seniors is very important. I'd love to see space that could be used by all but especially our seniors to gather to socialize and work on physical fitness.
35. I feel we need a new and larger senior center since there are many seniors in town full time and paying taxes!
36. Senior Center accommodations including full day care for seniors and also small children.
37. Would like this to replace the senior citizen center. Could expand existing senior center daycare and have all senior activities in a new community center.
38. Possible new senior center also and convert old senior center with great kitchen and poor parking lot for seniors, to use by public- also rentable space for private functions.
39. Imperative Eastham provides a multifaceted community center in concert with the senior center.
40. The winter offers very little for the community where most people leave the Cape for activities. All demographics can benefit a community center. Especially kids in middle school and high school who have less offered for extracurriculars who don't make sports teams or don't have the financial means for anything outside of a school setting. Keep people active and healthy in a joint space.
41. Centralized offices for public service organizations- food pantry, Rec Department, Children's cove, Lower Cape Outreach, VNA, Shine, Senior Center, various support groups, etc.
42. Is there a way to incorporate that this would also be a senior center.
43. I would love to see a Senior or 55 and up meeting place. To hold Bingo, Sr. Meetings, organized activities, sign-ups for trips and outings.
44. I understand the need for an updated senior center and that the rec department needs more space but I feel the rest is redundant. It is not a walk to destination. I wonder at the need for another town run entity. The seniors should be able to do most of those activities in the school buildings or other town facilities. They need to make better use of existing facilities within the town. A new community

center is going to need full and part time staff which will require salaries and benefits which will have to be funded annually on top of paying for the building. Why wasn't a room added onto to the library for seniors to meet.

45. With the schools the senior center the Elks I feel the money needed to run the community center could be better spent on present day town assets. You have a town hall, 2 schools, a senior center, library and town green. Are all of those spaces filled to capacity?
46. A multi-use place where seniors can gather, have classes, and integrate their experience with other generations.
47. It seems like a lot of the spaces indicated exist already in library, town hall, senior center. Does this space not become redundant?
48. Would prefer that seniors are integrated versus separated from community activities.

D. Facilities/Activities for Seniors & Youth – “all ages”

1. Actually any of the above would be OK, but stuff for seniors and kids are most important. But youth activities might help get and retain younger families.
2. It is critical important is to include the senior programs in the community center.
3. All around facilities for all age groups and areas that can be rented out for functional activities.
4. Additionally, having a "facility" would allow the Town to offer recreation camps for all school vacations, before and after school care, offer event space, as well as senior center programming.
5. Mixed use would best service us all.
6. Youth...to elderly.
7. Family friendly!!
8. Multi - generational options. I have worked at centers that combine child care with senior activities- so beneficial to both!
9. Would be great for both young and old.
10. Multi-generational, easy access, multi-purpose flexibility.
11. Multi-purpose with many groups being able to use it.
12. Activities for all ages, children to seniors.
13. Seniors, Youth, and Middle Aged citizens should be able to use the facility/space equally. Also would like to see space for .orgs to group to encourage more local volunteerism.
14. Child care, after school programs i.e.: tutoring , cooking classes, etc. help for seniors with paperwork etc.
15. An organized community youth center would be great.
16. Community at its finest! the Young working side by side with the elderly imagine that maybe a computer room where the young teach the elderly to navigate Technology and they in turn teach them banking/investments, labor skills work smarter not harder kind a thing, knowledge exchanged freely to serve the Community! a space for the families we need in this town working with the elderly/retired population rather than the divide that exists for services, we have a senior center but no youth center why? we cannot really succeed without them living and working in this Community!

17. Programs for seniors would be nice.
18. A community center would be lovely for our town but I noticed that Children's resources were not mentioned! A playground for the younger residents as well as our seniors! The remainder of our population should be working! Harwich community center is inviting.
19. We need to have activities for kids of all ages. ESPECIALLY during the winter!
20. Year round comm spaces extremely important, so that teens and seniors know how important they matter. Esp. teens having a sense of community to Keep them off drugs, offer positive solutions to their unique issues. Must offer all cape children hope for creating a future.
21. Recreation for kids, family, active retirees, seniors.
22. Outdoor space to include play space for children. Walking space and gathering space for seniors outdoors.
23. Space should appeal to Residents of all ages and promote community interaction.
24. I believe this space should provide quality of life and wellness space. Farmers markets, cultural event space, health care (walk-in emergency clinic), education and wellness programs for ALL ages. It should have a sustainable and if not profitable, break even, business plan so it adds to the town not become a drain on it.
25. A community center for all ages would enhance Eastham. We truly need a center that would cover programs for youngsters to seniors.
26. After school programs for kids or senior activities?
27. Cover all ages.
28. A multi-use facility with Senior and toddler programs during the AM, after school activities during the afternoon, and all age adult (after work) programs into the evening.
29. I grew up in a town with an amazing community center, and it was such a wonderful gift to all the townspeople...all ages... dozens and dozens of programs/experience/ opportunities.
Is needed. Rental space would contribute to facility operation costs. A play area for youngsters, similar to those at Chick-Filet would also be helpful. This should be a center for all ages.
30. Something for everyone and every age.
31. Maybe an outdoor concert area that also could be used during the day as a playground for children and seniors to just sit and enjoy the young. A couple of double swings for adults would be appreciated. Again. Home's just don't seem to be part of any plan I see there. 11 acres just isn't that big to do both, private and public spaces. Thanks you for listening.
32. Rec room with pool and ping pong tables
33. A large recreation room with pool tables, ping pong tables and foosball and other games would create a welcome environment for kids and teens. This could be a place where they could go to stay away from negative influences.

E. Space for kids, teens and young adults

1. We need things for kids, teens and young adults!

2. A safe place for the teens to go and hang out.
3. Safe place for Teens to go 14-18 in HS that they can work out, hang out etc.
4. Outdoor picnic area, games like volleyball, horseshoes, playground, Inviting space for teens.
5. I would like to see a teen center where teens could safely gather for movies, dances, small concerts, classes (cooking, sewing, arts & crafts, car and home repair, personal finance, etc.)
6. Space for teen activities.
7. I think that creating a summer camp or campground would be very beneficial. If it were a youth summer camp then it would be a beloved attraction. It could have a few cabins and a few activity huts, such as an art hut, a music hut, and a history hut. I think that this is something worth consideration.
8. Space for our kids to have activities.
9. youth sports & facilities to have them!!!!
10. Teens need a safe supervised place to gather.
11. Our young children need a place to go and be kids as well as a place for Adults to gather!!
12. Kids activities.
13. Children's play space, handicapped accessible.
14. Somewhere that children can play during cold weather.
15. Activities specifically for children, outside and inside.
16. Additionally we would be thrilled to have a local recreation camp at this type of facility (for all school vacations) as well as opportunities for birthday parties!
Thank you so much for requesting our feedback.
17. Gives the kids somewhere safe to hang out.
18. We need to give a space when elementary school kids can go and play and hang out even middle schoolers so that they don't get mixed up in wrong stuff.
19. Center needs defined space for middle school and high school aged children.
20. This end of the cape needs more for children. This space could provide numerous opportunities for kids to keep them engaged in meaningful educational activities and not nefarious activities.
21. Some fun things for the young Kids.
22. An after school program for children; not just exercise space but play space, board game space, space to be tutored or quiet space to do work.
23. Eastham needs something for the kids and adults.
24. Resources for students who do not have computer or internet access at home.
25. Youth clubs, after school programs, adult education programs.
26. It would be great to offer dance classes for kids there is not many places on the lower cape that offer dance.
27. A place and activities for young school age population.
28. Providing a place for skateboarding to occur would benefit our youth.
29. The youth of Eastham desperately need a place to go that will offer them healthy activities.
30. Classes geared towards kids.
31. An after school program for school age kids would be a great option for the community. Either for elementary age kids that need a place after school until

parents finish work or for middle/high school age kids that need a place to do homework and get something to eat. Older kids could help with younger children for possible school credit or at least something to add to a job or college application.

32. Would be a great place for kids and adults.
33. It would be great if it included programs for kids K-grade 8.
34. It has a huge field with a play area for kids and to play soccer or lacrosse, or just sit on a blanket and have a picnic.
35. Kids activities.
36. Sport activities, dance, art and crafts for kids and adults. There are so many people who have a lot of free time and don't know what to do with themselves.
37. Need rooms for kids to meet with their friends.
38. With busy parents and few entertainment options, adolescents are likely to get involved in drugs and alcohol. Community centers provide a safe place for young people to hang out, make new friends, and stay out of trouble.
39. Kids need options for indoor play.
40. It would be great if such a space could provide after-school programming in the arts, sports, Kids playing/musicians practicing their instruments is something I never thought about, but I can see as valuable to sponsor as a community... perhaps artists space too as long as that space is "communally shared by artists," music. etc.
41. With a focus on sports and fitness, community centers can also reduce childhood obesity and promote health and wellness..
42. Area designed for adolescents and children.
43. I think this should be a space that benefits our town's children as much as it does adults.
44. Also, space for climbing, Ninja Warrior-style obstacle courses, and free play for children.

F. Day/Child Care Space

1. Child care.
2. Childcare center. Multigenerational opportunities.
3. Childcare space so younger families can enjoy the exercise facilities while their children are well cared for.
4. Day care, preschool.
5. I think it's a great idea! How about on-site babysitting connected to the fitness center?
6. Opportunities for young families to access classes for new moms, toddler times, open gym, etc. at affordable rates.
7. Child care area.
8. A recreation area should provide as much open space as possible for children and adults.
9. Having a place for children to go and their parents feel safe leaving them. Also would be a nice place for adults to gather.
10. Possible childcare and/or adult daycare facilities.

11. I also think the community center should include some form of childcare services, perhaps after school or summer programming, a small early childhood program for infants and toddlers, and summer programming specifically for preschool-aged children - there are very limited options in the summer for that age group, which is really hard on working parents.
12. Daycare option or daytime elder care would be nice, maybe a combo.
13. It could offer daycare...
14. Would be fantastic for Rec to have this space to be able to help the working families of town with child care during school breaks & summer - families need help!
15. Day care space.

G. Basketball Space – pro & con

1. I believe the regional high school provides basketball court.
2. Full size B'Ball courts could be designed with extra baskets for two, half-court games simultaneously.
3. B'ball court can also be used for indoor soccer.
4. The schools have basketball courts—are they not offered as part of adult spring, summer, fall and winter adult education?
5. A place where people can remain active is appealing. How available is the Nauset basketball court? Does there need to be another? Are there concerns about hurting local gym based businesses if the community center offers these amenities?
6. If the High School does not have Full-size, indoor basketball court with bleachers and spectator space this would be a perfect place for it.
7. Including a full size basketball court would allow play of other sports such as volleyball. Some viewing would be nice but not sure the facility needs bleachers unless the plan is to host official /tournament games such as AAU. I also think an outdoor basketball court would be a great addition as one behind the police station gets a lot of use in the summer.
8. Also, I don't understand why an indoor basketball arena - won't they have one at NRHS?
9. Nauset high already provides court with bleachers/audience but perhaps an large flexible indoor space would be a wonderful winter asset to accommodate multiple needs for winter/indoor group sports, pickleball, tennis, basketball, ping pong, volleyball, yoga, group exercise classes... just not all at once, scheduled times with flexible courts (all the space taken up with individualized equipment machines/weight should be very low priority as they only serve individuals rather than groups/community).
10. We have high school tennis courts to play tennis & basketball / we have sport fields all over town. No need to be redundant.

H. Pool – indoor or outdoor

1. A large indoor pool is very important, in my opinion as many do not like Willy's pool even when the gym is functioning. Adults can swim laps. Children can have

- fun. It's usable year round when beaches are too cold and tourists are crowding them. Will help with swim teams, etc.
2. I think that certain hours or days be set aside for Senior use, Family use and Open Public time. For example; as a 73 yr. old, I prefer not to swim in a pool with families of children splashing about.
 3. I don't think the importance of a community center can be understated. But several of the items above seem like they could be at NRHS (basketball, pool).
 4. Why not a pool in summer that become ice rink in winter?!
 5. Willies Gym is awe full-so run down, but as I recall the way they did the pool roof was of interest.
 6. I think a space outdoors would be ideal as there aren't many large spaces (that aren't beaches) in Eastham. A pool, dog park, or outdoor class spaces for cooking, painting, etc.
 7. We need a gym and indoor swimming pool. One safe and clean.
 8. A public pool brings opportunities to the community, expanding to the area. Tourists visit the site and enjoy the chance to spend time in a pool. Also, it creates opportunities for schools to increase assistance to such a wonderful sport which benefits enormously students and families.
 9. A swimming pool is very badly needed in Eastham.
 10. We are long-time swim family and the outer cape really needs a good quality community pool. All kids growing up on cape cod should be able to swim.
 11. Outer cape kids have to travel a long way to swim year-round. Many families can't afford the fees.
If there is a pool and it is regulation sized, there is huge potential to host swim meets which could bring in revenue to support the center. I believe only USS regulation pool is at Mass Maritime.
 12. I think an indoor pool would greatly benefit both the health of our residents as a whole, and our school kids/teens on swimming teams having a place to practice close at hand. I like a lot of the ideas presented above, but some seem to overlap already existing facilities our town has or has access to. (Senior center, library, high school, elementary school)
 13. A local pool for regional use and rental among towns and groups like the Cape Cod Swim Club would be fantastic. The Lower Cape used to have a very active swim team but it has declined in recent years and a space to grow that would be wonderful for local kids.
 14. An area with competition size pool is very helpful for high school swim team and local swim clubs.
 15. I don't think we need a community center. Schools have basketball courts-- assuming they are open to others, behind town hall, pool would be nice if you could create an ice rink in winter.
 16. a pool, are you kidding me? Maintenance, and we have the ocean and all the ponds, etc. That would be a complete waste of money. And basketball court, etc. Don't we have that at the high school?
 17. Would love the pool to be used year round as high school pool is not open to the public.

18. we are not expecting a new larger population...we already have meeting space, athletic space in the high school area with tennis, we have the windmill square and historical society space for events and displays and we don't need a pool.
19. I assume the community pool would be outdoor, so different than Willie's, still a need.
20. A pool makes no sense when you have beautiful beaches nearby.
21. Indoor pool would be very important if a pool is being considered for community center.
22. A community pool can charge for programs. I learned to canoe in a pool as well as scuba dive. Red Cross Lifesaving instruction for safety and preparing youth and adults to be instructors. Swim team, swim meets...exercise classes...
23. I am all for sports especially nice clean big pool.
24. 2 Pools: one outdoor pool with 0 entry for the very young and very old to enjoy the social time in the cool water. No Sharks there. A second pool inside with only lap lanes for serious swimmers and a pool with regulations size so that the school can use them for meets. Inside there would also be a wading pool for small children and those who would also enjoy just view children at play. A social place to be with friend but not stand in the lap lanes.
25. What we need is a "Resident Only" outdoor pool. Research the Town Pool in Weston, Mass. It's amazing.
26. We have plenty of water and pools are expensive to maintain.
27. I think an indoor pool is so important for our community. As a mother of two small children and a teacher at the elementary school I see first-hand the lack of swimming lessons on the outer cape. It is so important for the children around here to learn how to swim. They are surrounded by water! I know so many parents and caregivers that would sign their kids up for lessons if a local pool was available. Please consider!
28. Pool or b'ball space and room space can be rented for children's birthday parties.
29. We have natural resources of real water all around us, do not need a pool too expensive as an ongoing expense.
30. Outdoor recreational space including a community pool would be great! Given the shark problem families need a place to swim and be safe!
31. The children would love another playground or interactive space, or a public pool.
32. An indoor 50 meter pool as no such space exists anywhere on the Cape. It would create a revenue opportunity to host large swim events, off season, and offering practice space for residents now traveling to Barnstable daily and soon to be Falmouth.
33. Would the pool offer swimming lessons for kids?
34. We need a proper year round pool on the lower Cape. It would provide a place for the elderly to exercise and also a place for swim lessons and a swim team. It is unacceptable that the lower cape population has to travel 45+ minutes to swim or learn to swim. Because of that, many people DO NOT know how to swim or know anything about water safety, yet we live in a place surrounded by water.
35. There are many young competitive swimmers residing on the outer Cape that travel daily to Barnstable, and soon to be Falmouth, in order to practice and train. The Cape does not have a 50 meter pool anywhere, and it would be a huge

advantage not only to have one for the resident swimmers, but to be able to host large swim meet events that would generate unimaginable revenues for our local businesses during the off season. Such a center, if it were to have a regulation 50 meter pool, could be used for group fitness classes, recreation, and truly be the center for the outer Cape particularly if gym and fitness spaces were included.

36. We need a free pool and free gym.
37. A pool would be key to helping mobility impaired exercise.
38. A pool is a nice idea, especially for families -- but it is so seasonal and expensive to upkeep.
39. Would feel more strongly about a pool if it specified whether indoor or outdoor.
40. Pool if it can be used year round by opening roof in summer.
41. Pool would be wonderful.
42. Indoor and outdoor pool.
43. Thank you need an outdoor swimming pool from May to oct beach is now out sharks ponds not enough beach east res and guests only permitted.
44. An indoor pool would be fantastic, especially for those older residents on fixed income who can't afford gym memberships.
45. The community pool will be a huge addition to the town and it's sure to be used by everyone.
46. I would love to see a pool e.g. a current pool, and a pool big enough to teach swimming and water aerobics! Also life guard training and CPR training.
47. A town pool would be wonderful now that the waters around us are not safe for real swimming.
48. Question 2 was not allowing me to choose 1 but my choice is extremely important! Additionally, it would be great to have an indoor pool for year round.
49. We could rent out the tennis courts, pool, etc. to help pay for it.
50. Ideas are pools and courts are extremely expensive to maintain and not worth it with other private options around.
51. pool would be awesome since the hotels are pricey to join and can't go at all with Covid, only for guests.
52. I think a community center with a public pool and landscaped park would be a huge asset to our community for the young and the old. A place for us to share events, and bring money into our town.
53. I definitely support the use of T-Time land as an area that can be used and enjoyed. A park, a public pool, tennis courts , maybe a par course with outside exercise equipment. It would be a wonderful boon to our community.
54. A facility that offers year round opportunities for exercise is important. I would love an indoor Olympic sized pool, group lessons and fitness programs.
55. We may have a new high school that would have a basketball court and possibly a swimming pool.
56. Also, space for kids to enjoy is important. I don't see lots of that in the above options (besides the swimming pool).
57. Pool should be year round indoor.
58. Pool is paramount as the closest option is 40 minutes away. Indoor/ outdoor recreational space would be great.

59. If there is a pool, would like it to be indoor for year round exercise. There are plenty of beaches and ponds for summer water fun.
60. There are many locations for swimming in Eastham. We don't need a municipal pool. Set up swim lanes in the Great Pond and/or Herring Pond.
61. Indoor pool would provide greater opps for year round use.
62. Residents for swim lessons and a place the Nauset swim team could use, etc.
63. If the pool is equipped w it. In mind it could be utilized for water therapy... w elderly...& or disabled folks. Swim lessons.. school competition etc.
64. Pool!
A new community space should fill spaces we do not have. There's even a pool in town...

I. Dog Park

1. I'd like to see the land designated as open space with hiking trails and another dog friendly place to walk.
2. Another Pet (dog) friendly place in town would be nice.
3. Dog park!
4. Dog park. This is a big dog community and once summer comes people are limited on where to take them.
5. A community center is a wonderful idea! It would be nice to include a dog-friendly section.
Maybe a dog park section, again for safe walking of our family pets.
6. A Community Dog Park would be something I'd be interested in using.
7. A fenced dog park would be awesome.
8. It might be nice to include a dog park into the complex.
9. I would LOVE a dog park.
10. I do not think this should be used for affordable housing or that it should be over built on. I would prefer to see this place as a dog friendly park with trees and man-made ponds open to fishing and walking. A place for everyone. Outdoor space for the arts, music, and local business.
11. I would also like to see an outdoor dog park.
12. If there is room I also think a dog park would be a nice addition as well.
13. We also need a fenced in dog run!
14. Dog park.
15. I would like to see a dog park in that space.
16. Dog park area.
17. Walking trails that are well lit would be beneficial as well as a dog park.
18. Dog park.
19. Dog walking area.
20. Dog park.
21. Room for a dog park somewhere...
22. Fenced in dog park as part of outdoor gathering space.
23. I'd like to see part of become a dog park where dogs can be let off leash and play with fellow dogs.
Please make areas dog friendly.
24. Include space for a dog park, nothing in Eastham.

25. Fenced in dog park.
26. This space should be used as a dog park.
27. Dog park.
28. We should also put a dog park here.
29. A dog park would help create a feeling of community as well.
30. A playground and dog park would be amazing.
31. Dog park, open space.
32. I'd like to see a gated area for a dog park in Eastham because the closest one is Yarmouth.
33. Space for farmers market and dog park area.
34. Dog park.

J. Parks, Recreation, Crafts, Classes, Meetings, Computer comments (indoor & outdoor)

1. Indoor /outdoor movies?
How about a track? Or outdoor running course?
2. An outdoor park would a really nice addition for the town, community.
Parks n rec programs.
3. Outdoor walking/jogging paths, benches, instructional areas would be a nice addition for year-round use.
4. Classes.
5. We have a large outdoor space behind the town buildings that could be further utilized.
6. An opportunity for community members to share educational ideas with others, the ability to rent/sign up for a space to hold classes, etc.
7. Mentoring.
8. A computer lab with senior classes.
9. Computer research, etc.
10. An adult playground, emergency building, dance studio, stage, rock wall, scout meeting area.
11. Place for table tennis which requires smaller space and can be used for other activities as well would be great.
12. Maybe a space where nonprofit groups could hold meetings.
13. We would support educational farming, i.e., North Eastham Cooperative Farm where local kids (and adults) could learn organic agriculture and sell their produce.
14. Seating benches in settings where small groups can gather?
15. This could be a good area for locals to offer classes to residents and vacationers, year-round and seasonally. I do believe utilization of the outdoor space on this large plot of land is of utmost importance.
16. Opportunity for continuing/lifelong learning programs.
17. Area for occasional holiday luncheons/entertaining.
18. It would be great to have places where groups can meet indoors or outdoors.
19. Set up for pottery classes - pottery wheels and kiln - would be wonderful.
20. Bocci court.

21. It would be nice to incorporate an outdoor park with benches and places people can relax and appreciate our beautiful town
22. Possibly a game room (ping-pong, billiards).
23. Exercise space and classes.
24. I would like to see a place for classes/workshops.
25. I would love to see an ongoing series of classes about Eastham's history as a town and in relation to the rest of Cape Cod (possibly using primary sources from our library), and also about the plants and animals that live here. In my experience, learning the history of who and what came before us and learning to recognize the forms of life that share our land foster a deeper sense of place, and a love of one's hometown that might inspire more young people to stay in town and work toward making Eastham a better place.
26. Hobbies.
27. Programming is probably more important than space (though the space needs to support the programming), so think carefully about that as the project is considered.
28. Possible Adult Education Space.
29. Maker space - for inventors and creators; research space for local and academic use (climate & environment issues).
30. Outdoor cardio exercise space and outdoor group/yoga exercise space.
31. Computer and printer access for all would be very helpful.
32. A park would be nice since there is nowhere to just walk around.
33. Would be great to have classes offered in this space like mentioned, exercise, art, cooking dinner date classes, kids cooking classes, bingo, family game nights.
34. Indoor walking space for times when outdoor walking is impossible. Some type of space around the perimeter of the facility.
35. Well-manicured park like environment to be attractive from rt 6 and lessen overbuilt look that is ruining rt6.
36. Adirondack chairs. A pathway to provide a jogging court around the entire space.
37. Plenty of meeting and gathering spaces. A small refreshment/cafe area and dining area. Plenty of classroom type spaces with AV for educational offerings and meetings for organizations in town. Some dedicated space for older residents to play bridge, socialize. Game rooms ping pong, billiards, and outdoor spaces for bocce or shuffleboard, horseshoes, volleyball. Pottery studio. Small gift shop to sell wares made in classes. Dance space.
38. I would like to see a walking space inside.
39. I think it should be kept as an outside community space . That could use for crafts, art music shows. As well outside basketball or tennis courts . Spaces that could be rented out for Different venues. No to more housing . Think it more of a public park . Where activities can take place.
40. Small or medium spaces can also be used for dance classes for youth and adults.
41. If you could create indoor clay court tennis it would be an extraordinary benefit to the tennis community. Even better a bubble which would be indoor and outdoor
42. Classes should be offered for All age groups and beginners thru advanced!
Offer space -weekly- for crafter to sell their stuff for a fee.

43. Central gathering place for our town and recreation dept.
44. Add water slides like Greeley Colorado.
45. Dance hall!
46. Classroom space with audio-visual equipment and a computer lab/workspace with high speed internet.
47. After school programs.
48. It would also be great to have space to accommodate other recreational programs that could be regionally accessed by Lower Cape residents for various enrichment classes like Dance that were formerly offered at the Academy School.
49. Work spaces with WIFI.
50. A splash pad would be nice.
51. Walking path. A U shaped loop could surround the space without having to cross and roads or parking areas.
52. Park / outdoor green space.
53. Should be a multi-use space that can incorporate many of the suggestions given. There could be a sign up schedule for use.
54. "Group yoga" space should also include mats for martial arts, boxing, and gymnastics.
Outdoor shuffleboard, bocce courts, covered pavilion with picnic tables, outdoor walking track.
55. We need outdoor space to picnic, be and enjoy mother nature!
56. Computers.
57. Cooking classes.
58. Would love study rooms/places to get work done like at the library :)
59. Outdoor sports would be great. Cornhole, bocce, tennis.
60. A walking exercise loop.
61. What programs could be done to bring people together and enrich the community? Maybe classes (for a modest fee) on various topics (ex. Birding, Gardening, Landscaping, Bridge, Cooking, Mahjong, ...). Maybe leagues with weekly meetings (chess, card games, ...).
62. Track park. No condos or residential homes!!
63. Coming together for classes - e.g. cooking, gardening, music, art, yoga --- far more "bang" for the space.
64. Dance space but can be included in multipurpose area. Basketball can go on at the High school. Already have pickle ball by town hall. Thanks for exploring options.
65. More pickleball courts.
66. Water park/play area with lots of parking.
67. Computer area.
68. Computer Access via WFII so groups can connect to outside apps while using the facility.
69. Could you have free internet and some computers available?

K. Outdoor Space – with mixed uses

1. Keep green space green!

2. I'd love to see something that is free of charge for cape residents living in/around Eastham, somewhere where the whole family could spend some time at (space for kids to run around, outdoor seating, edible gardens, farmers and artist markets that don't cost anything to sell at etc..) most of Eastham is focused on tourism and There isn't enough emphasis on keeping families around, especially low income families. This space needs to be free for everyone to frequent if taxes are going to be subsidizing it.
3. The more green space, the better!
4. Open space (park), water stream, trees, playground.
5. Gazebo for outdoor performances; floral, rose garden; co-op vegetable garden;
6. I would like to see plenty of green space at this community space. Plenty of native trees, shrub, and flowers that are very good pollinators, give everything a purpose.
7. I think outdoor space is important too. The landscape and design flow should allow quiet areas, benches, trees ...places to sit and talk.
8. It would be nice to have a place to enjoy outdoors and have a diverse use that is not available elsewhere in town and be available for all town residents
9. We like the idea of a public food forest, edible trees everywhere. An edible arboretum!
10. I would love to see beautifully blooming and evergreen spaces both outdoors and indoors where people can "hang" and greet others. Also a fountain or water fall, both indoors and out. We need oases and places to meet and greet new people. Or be said hello to! 😊 Some benches along the front, some near a playground. Picnic tables, front, back, and outdoors. Indoors, green plants, some flowers, and again benches. . We also need preference parking spots for anyone with kids in tow, or with a temporary need to park close (I'm thinking of someone who has turned an ankle, but doesn't qualify for a Handicapped spot.) Thank you for asking for input.
11. Potentially a composting area.
12. Outdoor street hockey rink. Lacrosse field.
13. A Park with shade trees for shade in a nearby park setting for families to picnic and share time with others. A community center to give teens a safe, inviting place to go and be with friends. Maybe volley ball nets for open time and pick-up games.
14. Outdoor tables, gathering space, outdoor stage in center of U, snack bar.
15. Outdoor space for exercise etc.
16. Outdoor Recreation Space for children and adult classes with outdoor exercise machines designed to look like playground equipment. On a recent visit to Lake Oswego area in Portland Oregon I went with my grandchildren to a park that had fields for all kinds of different classes and what looked like a playground but when getting closer was really exercise equipment for almost all ages. So the kids were in class you could sit on and use the machines as you waited. All outdoors.
17. Playground.
18. Bandstand.

19. Devote all space to a park.
Safe place for walking perimeter of property
20. Outdoor playground, walking trails or track.
21. It should be a paragon of sustainability from the architecture and infrastructure to its intended uses. Lots of outdoor space for gardens and gatherings and inside designed to invite the outside in. Heat and cool with geothermal and heat pump technologies and include a modest theater for movies and performances
22. If used for cultural arts, the committee should look at Mass Cultural Arts Council facility grants
23. Make use of outdoor space!!
24. This is such a wonderful outdoor space that I don't think it should be used for building a community center on this spot.
25. I would like to suggest a paved/smooth round or oval path, perhaps half a mile in length for seniors to exercise/walk outside. I suggest the path be easily and regularly cleared of snow or ice. Best of all would be to have the path covered by a roof, and a few benches spaced along the way. How about a comfortable gathering space where we could buy coffee or tea and small snacks? (no tv, as this space would be for visiting) I have no problem with a big tv in a big viewing space to gather and watch the Red Sox or Pats or broadcast opera or plays.
26. Interesting outdoor activities
Right now the property could be made into a disc golf course
Summer camps

L. Playground as the lead suggestion

1. I would like to see a playground for children too.
2. Skate park and playground.
3. What about a playground area for small kids?
4. Programs and spaces to play for young children. Outdoor playground.
5. Playground/play area for younger children.
6. Small playground for children.
7. Playground space, both indoor and outdoor for children. Very little in Eastham at present.
8. Outdoor playground space with public use baseball, soccer fields would also be beneficial.
9. Playground.
10. More importantly to me is a community center for all town residents would also like to see a playground and walking paths.

M. Community Garden (Includes Farmer's markets and food trucks)

1. The Eastham gardens concept presented by Edible Landscapes is perfect.
2. Although I already stated the importance of a kitchen and garden space I just feel that these options would provide the younger community with an opportunity to learn important skills that they can care into jobs or at home.
3. Food trucks

4. We would love a flexible space that could include a farmer's market or space for food trucks.
5. A community center could encapsulate many of the other suggestions. Exercise and farmers markets.
6. Farmers Market area.
7. A space for a farmers market.
8. Great spot for farmers market community farm/ag education center.
9. In addition to that agricultural land is extremely scarce and I believe a portion of the property should include area that can be leased to farmers to grow crops, with commercial growing being an option, like at Putnam Farm in Orleans.
10. At the top of my list is a community center and an Eastham Farmers Market.
11. Good spot for farmers market.
12. Farmers market.
13. Would love a farmers market with plenty of parking.
14. I'd like a community ctr w outdoor space for gardens/paths gathering space for inc. farmers market or music.
15. Garden should be small enough to be realistically maintained.
16. I'd love a place for Eastham to host a Farmer's Market. I'd also love to have a community children's garden space (that I'd be happy to volunteer time for).
17. I strongly urge consideration of including all or a major part of the "Eastham Gardens" design for the T-Time space.
18. Would love a garden and beer garden.
19. A community garden would be a real plus (can rent space).
20. Eastham Gardens would be awesome!
21. I fully support the Eastham Gardens plan. A space dedicated to local food, sustainability, and regenerative agriculture is critical, and taking advantage of Eastham's unique natural setting is something that shouldn't be passed up!!
22. Eastham Gardens project sounds amazing. A great way to bring the community together. This project has my vote!
23. I don't think we need garden plots for individuals - I think we need a shared community garden for all to enjoy, with something blooming as much of the year around as possible.
24. There used to be a community garden at the elementary school including a water supply. Is it still there and accessible to all town res that want a space.
25. I would like to see space for garden education, inside and out, to teach the community to grow their own produce without the use of chemicals and to learn the health benefits of eating local organic fruits & vegetables. There should be space for perennial plantings of fruit trees and berry bushes.
26. I think a community garden is great! I live in Orleans and we have a community garden plot and I love it. It's also a great way to meet people in the neighborhood.
27. I like the ideas being proposed for the Eastham Gardens design
28. Something for younger kids and toddlers and possibly childcare.
29. I love the Eastham Gardens proposal!

30. I think it's an OK priority for the town, but I think it's more important to preserve outdoor space and open space for recreation, possibly a community garden or a park landscaped with native plants and trees.
31. A community garden would be a great use of the space and a very nice resource for residents. In terms of human health and climate change, growing food locally is critical and should be a priority. With wildlife in mind and maintaining the integrity of the landscape, this would be a much better use than construction of a swimming pool or basketball court.
32. By community center I'm thinking of the Eastham Gardens design which is ecologically brilliant, is educational, with room for farming, farm stands, food trucks, outdoor projects and recreation for whole families. It is beautiful and would attract visitors to Eastham! At the same time it costs little and preserves the environment well!
33. This would be an absolutely gorgeous space for an outdoor garden community. It has multiple functions and would be a beautiful and eco-friendly addition to the exquisite town.
34. A Community Garden that is also an outdoor gathering and acoustic music venue is the most important element that a town can create. Socialization in a multi-generational format is the key to a good life.
35. I would rather see the private sector run an affordable exercise place. Why not enable local talent the ability to have food trucks, artist sheds, musicians, farmers markets, etc.? Make it a cultural center for the locals and tourists.
36. I think any additional community facilities, if needed, should be centered in the area around Town Hall.
37. Opportunities for young and old to collaborate-garden, kitchen etc
38. I would love to see the space used as a kind of town center where the community could meet , play maybe have food trucks . A space where community activities could be held. A gathering spot for entertainment.
39. New senior center important. Community garden.
40. Also, with regards to the idea of a garden space, please consider dedicating a portion of it to planting an orchard. Such a project would literally bear fruit for generations to come, as well as provide an excellent opportunity to reintroduce native species that were once common here, such as the pawpaw (it grows delicious potato-sized fruit that tastes like a cross between a mango and a banana!).
41. I really loved the "Eastham Gardens" proposal and I think that turning that land into a sustainable property, where community can gather, garden and enjoy is super important. Would be a great space for farmer's markets, too. Maybe even adding a green house, if that has not already been proposed.
42. There has been a proposal with edible garden. I believe this to be invaluable.
43. Please consider using this as an outdoor space! would love to have community gardens and parks and other gathering spaces for outdoor activities here.
44. It would be great if there were separate gardens/areas/small buildings for older residents and younger residents but also a common area ...so everyone could benefit.

45. Keep the land undeveloped; really like the proposal of Eastham Gardens. Public restrooms should be a priority & natural outdoor space for the public to enjoy
46. My preference is for a space like the Eastham Gardens proposal.
47. I would love to see a community garden that could be used to host events: food truck fairs, shellfish fairs, music festival, brew festival, art festival, etc.
48. Garden is a great idea. Shouldn't use tax dollars to provide private studios.
49. I would love to see plenty of durable outdoor seating, comfortable feel, mood lighting, food trucks allowed, outdoor games (bag toss), and a space for live music or theater. Microbrewery, if possible. Think Gastropark!
50. I like the Eastham Garden idea -extremely important.
51. Community garden plots are very important.
52. Community garden would be wonderful.
53. I am a huge proponent of the Eastham Gardens proposal. I think that community is so important, and having a centralized location to promote community will be a huge benefit to the town. However, I think we need to challenge out go-to concepts.
54. A community garden with organic produce would be great coupled with a farmers market and water refill station (since Eastham recently banned single use water bottles).
55. Veterans memorial, memorial garden.
56. Hand-in-hand with a community gardening space would be spectacular.
57. It would be very beneficial to have a community garden space. People could rent plots to plant gardens. We have one where we live in Ct. It's \$25 for a 5x10 foot plot. A Master Gardener in town volunteers to help answer questions.
58. The areas should include accessibility for meetings, environments to practice activities of daily living, sensory garden and adaptability devices. Maine Botanical Garden is a great resource.
59. I would like to see a place where we can gather to share meals, have movie nights, food trucks, ice cream/desserts, a hub for town activity.
60. Community gardens space for individuals.
61. Some gardens, but not necessarily a community garden.
62. Community center would be great addition, especially areas for meeting and community gardens.
63. It would be great to have outdoor only facility and make it beautiful. Connect to bike Path, outdoor park, volleyball court, basketball court, grassy areas, picnic areas, art and sculpture space and events a place for food trucks.
64. Please no affordable housing, and beautiful gardens and multipurpose area for artists and perhaps food court.
65. Outdoor gathering space and community gardens are a great idea -- if the pandemic has taught us anything, it is how important the outdoors is for our health and for socializing opportunities. Also, please don't develop the entire parcel -- open space is important, and please consider pollinator gardens and native plantings. A meandering walking paths to connect with bike trail would be great. Incorporating natural play areas for children to make it a place that is multi-generational too.

66. It has a beautiful flower garden area with outdoor benches interspersed throughout.
A community garden would be wonderful !
67. The front 1/2 of the property dedicate to public gardens. The public gardens can be based off of the lottery system and limited to 12 months per gardener.
68. A community center with a garden, perhaps apple orchard and pumpkin patch, would benefit locals and potentially attract people from other towns to pick/purchase produce.
69. Outdoor Market, green and gardens would be lovely.
70. Keep area as open space or a park/gardens.
71. Garden space to grow vegetables or flowers would be great. Other towns like Mashpee have community garden space. Why not embrace a lower cost outdoor option that can bring use and enjoyment for many people?
72. Community garden and native plantings.
73. Use community garden to grow and sell flowers. Particularly to tourists passing through in the summer.
74. Can be multiple buildings interconnected with covered garden and open concept walkways.

N. Coffee Shop or Internet Café as lead suggestion

1. Coffee shop??
2. A place for people to gather like a cafe and gallery spaces for art and other cultural activities.
3. Ability to access WIFI and work on laptops with a cup of coffee. Couches, chairs.
4. Local owned coffee shops with indoor and outdoor seating.
5. Coffee shop with indoor/outdoor seating for people to meet & socialize.
6. Small vender spaces available to merchants to rent to sell coffee, pasties, wine and beer.. A place where people can meet, network, socialize. Enhance the feeling of "community."
7. Eastham needs a space, with things like coffee shops and maybe card stores, where residents can "hang out" and meet and walk around.
8. Have space in the community center for a coffee house for all ages. Where old people and young people come together for dance, music and light food. Alcohol free. Where the older folks can mingle w/ younger folks and learn and support each other. Fight the isolation and loneliness many older people are dealing with.
9. How about an internet Cafe where people who don't have computers can get online. Or at least have free WIFI there.
10. Meeting space should include spots for children, teens, and adults to work and meet with free wi-fi.
11. A small self-serve Café is very convenient.

O. Concerts/Music/Theater

1. Outdoor concert venue.
2. An arts center is needed. A nice music park would be nice and better for outdoor concerts especially if there is a nearby business that people can walk to and get ice cream, coffee, snacks after or before concert.

3. a music hall would be nice.
4. Outdoor area for shows and events maybe kiosks with local vendors.
5. Local theater space for live indoor performances.
6. The community center is more focused on the arts and classes, and administration.
7. Hopefully a large meeting space would have the acoustics to be able to use it as a venue for musical performances.
8. Stage for performances
9. I think a community Center should have a combination of facilities available to the public, including artist studios, small exhibition area or hall, a performance area which could be a mixed exhibition space that could serve as a theatre, community meeting space, or performance venue. It would be nice to have a town green style square outside where people could gather as well.
10. Music and entertainment under a pavilion.
11. Have an area in the back for an outdoor "Center Stage" for outdoor concerts! (Bring a lawn chair or blanket and listen to music).
12. Gathering for all folks with concerts, activities, & exercising areas.
13. Concerts would be great outdoors.
14. Theater space for plays and other live performances
15. A theater for performances - there is no theater in Eastham.
16. Practice space for local bands.
17. I would like to see a place for musicians to be able to perform as we could draw people to want to come to Eastham and use local restaurants etc.
18. There is also a large gazebo like structure that showcases live bands of all types of music.
19. Should be able to hold meaningful events in the outdoor space (small concerts etc. - and perhaps in the indoor space as well...
20. Community orchestra or band for HS and adults, with summer performances.
21. A music practice space is so needed on the lower cape. please help our artists thrive and continue to make the cape the desirable place that it is!
22. Outdoor performance venue.

P. Cultural/Community Events – non-music

1. A place for people to gather like a cafe and gallery spaces for art and other cultural activities.
2. There could be a gallery space or even just a wall that's devoted to showcasing local art--it could be updated monthly or change with the seasons.
3. Classes and Educational events.
4. Some gallery but maybe as tangential to other space.
5. We have a small building that offers space for artists, coffee and ice cream shops, surrounded by open space for outdoor gatherings, mini concerts, mini theatre shows, art & crafts expos (like a mini, CC-version, of the Renaissance Faire villages so very popular elsewhere). A coffee, an ice cream and an acoustic music concert or a Shakespearian play would be 3-season fun. From Thanksgiving to Valentine's Day, it would become a local, lovely Christmas

Village. I have been to many, from Upstate NY to France and Germany. It would become a perfect space. "*The Faire in the Park on the Cape.*"

6. We need to have a place where we can do things like Turnip Fest and Windmill Weekend to take the pressure off of the Windmill Green which is overcrowded most of the time and Samoset Road is a nightmare!
7. The field could serve as Eastham's Fair Grounds, with some roof covered booth space at the perimeters, a modest permanent building for meetings performances and office administrative space for record keeping/treasury.
8. Imagine fund raising "fair" weeks each summer, staffed by community volunteers with kiddie and teen rides running until 9 PM on weekdays and 10 PM on Fri-Sat. Could also have the open space accommodate a tent for events holding 500-750 attendees.
9. Lots of green space.

I would like to have a sizeable amount of land surrounding the building as free space with trees and grass, for outdoor sitting with benches and walking paths, etc.

Q. Golf Course Suggestion

1. I would love a 9 hole par golf course- max about 100 yard long drive to green- something to be used by families , also a playground and or outdoor walking path with exercise stations.
2. Forget the community center. Install a par 3 golf course to provide recreation for all ages year round employment, a clubhouse with rentable rooms, a great shoulder season for local business and income for the town to help keep our tax rate in line. If run right, this would be an asset to the town.
3. I would like a 9 hole Par 3 golf course for town residents.
4. I'd like to see more outdoor recreation, such as a small golf course where children and adults can learn to play the game.
5. Make it a gold range so we can go golfing again! Please thanks.
6. Golf course for residents.
7. Seriously, how about a driving range as part of this?

R. Roller skating/Ice Skating Rink

1. Roller skating rink!!!
2. I would love to see a roller skating rink. roller derby, b4 COVID, was on the rise with international teams and competitions (both male & female) we have a team midcap - The Salty Dolls.
3. The skating rink could also offer video games, a healthy snack bar, a place to hold small events like talks, workshops, and fundraisers.
4. I think any activities for children and teenagers. Maybe a roller skating rink. Water park would be fun for kids and adults.
5. There isn't an indoor rollerskating rink on the Cape. That would be a good year-round activity and it could make money for the town.

S. Community Kitchen

1. The community kitchen, the HS could run it, a community garden could sell their items.
2. For local service people and elderly, pods of room rentals with private bath, shared kitchen and living room for groups of 10. 500. a month. Community kitchen very important....
3. Outside kitchen space for small café.
4. Makerspace in addition to comm kitchen.

T. Miscellaneous or single idea comments

1. No more pot shops!!
2. No more pot shops — one at Mercantile is way too close to new housing!
3. U-shape.
4. Must have utility for most residents. Don't need another library which is used by few in terms of percentages.
5. Real Food security for the outer Cape!
6. Thanks.
7. Unable to answer #2-extremely important.
8. I am neutral as we most likely won't take advantage of the facility but I'm sure especially the year round residents would be very happy.
9. Generally a good idea.
10. Thank you for all the work put into this project.
11. Open long hours, 7days.
12. Working families.
13. Lovely walking here and trails in the wooded part.
14. Equal access to all residents regardless of full/part time status.
15. There is also a lovely pond that is home to many ducks, fish, and Swans.
16. Your questions covered most of them, but please no more discount stores.
17. There are a few public bathrooms on the premises as well.
18. It ruins a large natural habit 😞
19. Many people have their outdoor weddings here.
20. Hopefully, this place would be available to tourists as well.
21. Residents need to have priority when considering the use during peak tourist season.
22. Organizing social events would be nice... especially off season
23. Can't think of anything else.
24. You have incorporated some great suggestions for the space.
25. I have reservations about how often residents will actually use this space.
26. Could the town possibly explore the legal issue through court regarding Stop and Shop's influence on the development of the land so we could possibly get a small Trader Joe's or Fresh Market in Eastham?
27. Town Center for info.
28. We have only the ponds.
29. The current population trend is that 60%+ of the resident population in Eastham will be over the age of 65 by 2030. Do we want to address the needs of this group or the summer population?
30. Surveys usually have important 1st. This set up may cause confusion.

31. This piece of property is an eye sore and should be developed soon.
32. Carwash with town water.
33. Where towns people can have discussions about the town and how we can improve it.
34. Remember the neighbors. Pickle ball is noisy.
35. I have no other options.
36. Whatever ends up in the space, I really hope it's a year round space!
37. Public kitchen facilities may incur health risks if appropriate supervision & sanitation procedures are not enforced. Use for private functions, e.g. weddings, would not be appropriate for a publicly-funded facility.
38. This is a great idea. Thank you for all you are doing.
39. Perhaps the visitor center could move into this space. Would provide for more parking and connect to the Eastham community.
40. Why not make it a tourist attraction?
41. Tractor pulling track.

U. High School/Library – already have some options?

1. However, some fitness alternatives would be nice to have. The high school could be open for, say, basketball and tennis/pickleball.
2. The new library already has small and large meeting spaces.
3. Existing facilities fill the need for the items listed above.
4. The library provides space for community activity.
5. The enormous library that was built seems like it already could fulfill some of the needs listed above. In square footage it certainly dwarfs the community it was built to serve.
6. I believe that the Eastham Library meets the needs of several items above as far as meeting and exhibition space.
7. Consider the High School Renovation to be an important First Priority
8. We should utilize the schools for most of these suggestions.
9. We already have a beautiful space in the library, we have outdoor space at the school. artists can display in the library and do and the windmill space suffices very nicely.
10. The library can accommodate meeting space and the regional school would be a better place for recreation facilities.
11. If not already, perhaps the Eastham and nearby libraries can be involved to see what community spaces they offer.
12. Our library is a wonderful community center. We appreciate the art exhibit, classes, meeting room. We also appreciate the library being opened when power is out in Eastham homes.
13. I'd suggest that you keep in mind the small and mid-size meeting rooms that exist already at the library. Pre-Covid, there were, most often, openings to reserve them. Perhaps the need is not there for more? Another thought might be to touch bases with Nauset schools or the Children's Place to see if there is a need for physical space for a preschool?
14. Some of the things in the previous question can be provided at the library and the high school.

15. High school basketball courts should be open to the public.
16. Can the need be addressed in combination with the high school project?
Multifunction seems more efficient and environmentally sound than decimating more land.
17. Most items on the list can be found either at the high school or a commercial gym.
18. Some of the items mentioned could easily be held at the high school.
19. I do not think a community center is necessary. We have an \$8m library, pickleball courts, countless beaches and ponds, bike trail, new housing off of Brackett. All ages and depths, picnic tables, dressing rooms. Maybe grills. Due to the amount of sharks and low tides, it would be such an amazing addition to the town.
20. The community center should focus on providing facilities that are not available at the other community spaces such as the high school and the library.
21. Some of the activities / uses mentioned could / should be available at the (spiffy new) high school.
22. Other existing facilities could serve some community center functions by utilizing them outside traditional or scheduled hours and days, thereby maximizing the usefulness of these properties.
23. I would like more information on how the new library facilities serves at lead some of these needs. I would also like to know the extent to which arrangements might be available to use NRHS space (for a fee, perhaps) for some activities.
24. We could use an emergency pet shelter space that would improve on the space currently assigned at the Nauset High School.
25. What about community space in the high school, Rooms, gym etc.
26. This should be supplemental to existing facilities that are available at other public spaces like the library and high school or even town hall.
27. I feel like the library already has many of the options for a community space
28. Balance the plan of a new community center with plans for the renovated high school so there is not duplication.

V. No Duplication between existing services & Community Center

1. Let's do it jointly with Orleans rather than duplicating.
2. The high school has sports facilities the use of which could be broadened to include the public, particularly in view of the upcoming renovation/rebuild project. That would also include Lower Cape TV facilities. No need to duplicate such facilities.
This is the largest open space left for this type of community space. Don't replicate what you can already leverage at Nauset High school, the library and other public buildings. Provide more family friendly entertainment options that can flex over seasons for arts and craft shows, farmers markets, etc. Many of the uses indicated above could be made available @ Nauset High School. To the extent the High School has the facilities already available, why would it be necessary to duplicate them at a Community Center.
3. The space needs to meet needs of a multigenerational community and does not need to duplicate offerings that will be at the new high school, assuming that's

approved. The high school space has also been billed as available to community when school is not in session. Both of the projects are extremely expensive and should be looked at with that in mind.

4. We do not want to duplicate what changes in the High School may bring to the town.
5. Space that complements the library spaces; not to duplicate or compete with lib! Exercise facility would be great!!
6. Please inventory space across town. Let's not duplicate what is already available in other locations.
7. Please don't duplicate what could be made available at the High School or by private enterprise.
8. Would this not duplicate the facilities at the new library -- and, if the renovation proceeds, Nauset High School. (As well as the Cape Cod National Seashore Visitor's Center?).
9. There is no need to duplicate what already exists - large and small meeting spaces at the library, town hall, high school, seashore. We have plenty of outdoor gathering spaces, this is not an urban center where musicians cannot rehearse in their homes, we have access to tennis courts at NHS, pickle ball at town hall, not sure how you equitably assign studio space to artists.
10. Performance & arts spaces may serve multi-generational groups as well as age-specific groups. There is no need to duplicate facilities for children/teens already available in the existing/upgraded schools. These spaces could be used for classes, presentations, & performances.

W. Willy's gym vs. Community Center

1. Should have bought Willy's facility instead.
2. Just buy Willy's if you're looking to build a gym.
3. Too bad it is located next to Willie's Gym which offers all of the above (when they are open and not in trouble) and at a hefty cost.
4. Seems very close to Willie's gym for several of these ideas, and could put Willie's out of business, so then you will have to decide what to do with THAT space.
5. Obviously a pool and gym would be great, but seems crazy with Willy's right there.
6. Sports facilities would be great as Willy's does not serve the need.
7. Having a community fitness center on the outer cape would be amazing. The opposite kind of amazing of Willy's still being open.
8. Willy's Gym facilities, whether it be privately owned or possibly Town-owned in the future can meet sports and recreational needs.
9. This is partly a copy of the Willy's gym facility. You really have to work this out - we don't need two sports centers.
10. Feel some of the activities will take away from the gym in that area...
11. We have a big gym that provides a lot of that.. Too bad it isn't more reliable.
12. The preceding questions suggest looking into purchasing the Willy's property.
13. Purchase of Willy's Gym would be a better way to get this type of facility.

14. This would be great for kids and older adults who have nowhere to go during the winter months. It would also be nice to have a place to exercise and gather year-round (Willy's is not great). Absolutely the best idea for the space!
15. I believe the town does not have enough year round residents to support such a dwelling and ability to run a such a facility needs a lot of professional employees. It would also compete directly with Willy's Gym, a tax paying business. It would make more sense to negotiate with that facility to supply recreation needs. I just retired, but ran a Hospital Based Health Club, 80,000 sq ft, 250 employees and 6,500 members. Retention in that business is on average 72 - 76%, which means you need to replace that loss each and every year.
16. I'd bet Willy's will be for sale soon so there are your tennis courts/are a right next door ready to go. That woman is a criminal and it's criminal the town allows her to scam its residents and her employees year after year.
17. With Willy's gym being the problematic business it is it does offer these services
18. Seems like many of these exist at our nice new Library , our schools, or Willy's, so not sure how much demand/need for more is? Don't claim to know, but do not want to see a community center that replicates what already exists unless current supply is inadequate.
19. I feel we should look into to buying Willy's Gym and combine both lots. I was on the committee years ago when the town was looking to purchase it. It would be good income for the town, something we really need. Also it would provide jobs for local.
20. Schools and Willy's can provide most of the other rec needs.
21. The area needs a public rec area, including pool. I am among those who will not go to Willy's.
22. Some of this is redundant to Willy's and will hurt their business.
23. Town should buy and rehab Willy's for a community center. T-time should be used for a commercial/ housing development.
24. Don't forget the community Willy's serves and has been serving for many years.
25. Is there a way to incorporate Willy's why not?
26. Acquire the Willy's gym property for the athletic area.
27. How about using the space to bring people INTO town to bring more \$? day visitors, renters etc. Willy's already has many of the things you are featuring.
28. Lots of those options are suited through other current businesses in Eastham. Between elks and Willy's gym especially.
29. Willy's gym is right next door and has all of these activities available.

X. General Design comments or requests

1. Building(s) designed to fit in with New England motif.
2. The architecture should reflect a cape cod feeling. I don't feel that modern architecture would be in keeping with our environment.
3. Location and availability to handicapped people.
4. It should be an attractive building or buildings, that reflect the character of Eastham and its heritage.
5. The spaces should be flexible. If there is one thing that we learned this past year, flex spaces will serve the greater community throughout the years.

6. A place to house a VA representative for our Veterans.
7. Less is more in terms of building.
8. Community Ctr on lower floor, gym/multiuse space/meeting rooms.
Year-round Apartments upstairs with stairs to outer perimeter parking.
9. A small to medium sized facility would suffice.
10. It must be physically appealing, Cape appropriate, including a landscaped
11. The architecture should reflect the Cape, not prefab buildings.
12. Green buildings.
13. Office Space for staff.
14. Areas that cater to person's with various physical or emotional/mental disabilities.
15. A development that includes multiple community gathering areas, restaurants ,
shops, & overhead affordable apartments/housing.
16. Since this is such a visible location I strongly feel it need to be in
keeping with what makes the town so quaint and special. The library
provides meeting space.
17. parking allocated for separate areas; low maintenance; areas with the
idea of family activity options; park-like; grow it slowly.
18. It is critically important to preserve the character of Eastham as a
small community and not turn it into Hyannis or even Orleans. At the
same time, the town lacks a center where year round residents and
part-year residents can gather and share in a feeling of community.
19. Focus on the outdoor industry.
20. Plenty of parking.
21. There really is no designated "downtown" for Eastham. While it is the
oldest village on the outer Cape it lacks definition. Currently The
Wind Mill Green is used for some outside events but it is small and
lacks parking.
22. Let's not be in a rush to "fill up" this space, but rather consider how to
utilize the "outdooriness" possibilities.
23. Much more important than a grocery or "chain store" that is Not
needed!
24. Will need to be significant parking for many of these ideas (just take
that into account). Not exactly the same, but could also have little
huts for artists, like they do next to Chocolate Sparrow - combining
some of the items listed?
25. Adequate parking space.
26. Eastham lacks a nice "downtown" area where you can walk/gather to get a
community atmosphere. There's nowhere to walk and Eastham "downtown" is
honestly a joke as it's 99% dominated by the busy route 6 traffic. The lot is quite
deep (areas away from road) so could be a nice park area with tennis/pickle ball
courts, farmers market (wasn't mentioned in q 3 above). Could have walking
trails, grass areas to sit, benches and small outdoor exercise areas spread out. If
possible, suggest some stands where you can buy food & drinks (soda etc.) and
buy fresh veggies during later spring until early fall. Truly a unique opportunity to
get Eastham on par with other quaint small towns and take away the unpleasant

look at ugly motels, hotel buildings etc. along route 6. I would gladly volunteer planting flowers etc. to make it beautiful.

Y. Include Solar/Eco-Friendly/Environmental Comments

1. How about using the field for solar so that the electricity of the townspeople would go down, after all our taxes are going to go up again and again and again for what gain.
2. I'm thinking solar field.
3. Farmers market with solar panels atop stalls.
4. We should be rethinking the concept of what a community center is and how it can be designed and used. A community center does not have to be a building that will be so outdated in 50 years or less that it needs \$100+ million renovations like the high school. We need this space to be generational and evolutionary - the only way to do that is to harmonize with nature. Provide small sustainably structures that require very little, but mostly be very oriented and designed with regeneration of the Earth in that space in mind.
5. Waste water treatment is a more important issue.
6. "Community center" and really take advantage of the beautiful landscape that we live in by making the majority of the space outdoor. The proposal not only promotes community, but environmental practices that will have residents and wildlife benefiting from for years and years to come. At this point, I think that all decisions not only have to put residents at the forefront, but the environment as well.
7. What about the environmental impact of a new large building? Will it be built in an environmentally responsible manner protecting the surrounding water, air and land?
8. Gardening and earth stewardship need to be part of the environmental mission & this could be a perfect place. We already have a beautiful library, we're going to have a new HS, and we have private gyms that can serve many of the functions listed above.

Z. Harwich, Chatham, Orleans, Barnstable, Provincetown, Mashpee & Wellfleet Facilities, Community Centers or Activities

1. Just consider the Harwich Community Center, and what an asset to the town it has become. I believe a similar concept, would greatly enhance the lives of Eastham residents!
2. Similar to the Wellfleet Preservation Hall a community center would bring residents of all ages today and serve many.
3. We own a family trust property in Harwich and have previously owned a home in Chatham. The community centers there are an integral part of these communities and benefit people of all ages.
4. The Harwich center could be a model, we were very impressed with the wide range of groups and activities that it accommodated.
5. Facility to be open to neighboring towns.
6. Feel we need to do community center with other local towns for larger participation.

7. It would be wonderful if it could be modeled after something like say Stanley Park in Westfield.
8. Have you looked at other town's community centers success metrics and discussed what offerings they have vs. what their community's interest have been.
9. We also need a safe community space for our youth as well not just our older population. Something like Barnstable has.
10. The Harwich community center is terrific and I use it all the time! It would be nice to have something similar.
11. I love the Harwich & Chatham Community centers which provide excellent places for town events as well as space for kids to play & learn.
12. Soup kitchen in winter, food pantry, free clothing etc. Rile model center after Provincetown Methodist church community center.
13. Walkable, flexible community space is key. There was a recent transformation in an area of Acton, MA called Village works which completely transformed that downtown area.
14. The community center in Harwich could be good model.
15. Use Harwich's community center as a guide. It is an incredible facility.
16. The cc in Harwich is a fine example- all ages. The committee could learn the do's & don'ts from the experience in that town.
17. I use the Harwich Community Space often and enjoy all the activities.
18. Some town departments could move in there like in Harwich. It would make it more attractive for freeing up space to the other departments to expand.
19. I would look at Harwich's and build from there.
20. It would be great if it was modeled after the Harwich community space.
21. Eastham really needs a community center, like Harwich, or Prez Hall. Lots of physical activities listed here, what about space for teaching arts, like painting, or a pottery studio.
22. I think a large indoor recreation area is very important similar to the Rec center in Chatham.
23. Similar to Chatham.
24. Some of the above items could be lumped together -- i.e. large meeting space and exhibition space, and/or space for group exercise; indoor courts that could serve multi sports. The Chatham Community Center is a great model.
25. A place to allow residents to exercise and congregate year round - a large gym to play basketball, hold exercise classes, serve as a rec room for birthdays / events. Similar to the Chatham town gym, something to bring town people together. Add an exercise gym with a low membership rate and a hot tub. Promotes community and healthy living.
26. Create what Chatham has -- a baseball field that can house an expansion of the Cape League system (the Outer Cape doesn't have a team!), a playground for kids, a parking lot, and a wonderful community center building that can house multiple activities.
27. Auditorium for lectures, classes, and entertainment like at the Orleans library.
28. Small farming, profit or non-profit. See what's happening at the Putnam Farm Conservation Area in Orleans. It's wonderful!

29. How about a skate park? Boys 7 years old and older are skating in Orleans or Wellfleet.
30. Would love to have a town commons type town center with shopping and dining somewhat like Mashpee Commons.
31. Including a smaller version of Mashpee comm.
32. An attractive multi-use community space will help Eastham feel more like a town, rather than just an unincorporated area between Orleans and Wellfleet.
33. I imagine a place that functions similarly to the preservation hall in Wellfleet, possibly even weddings, but also craft shows, outdoor movies, concerts, then having a place for art and yoga.. If there was also space for studios and exhibit space and housing too would be amazing.

AA. YMCA Comments

1. Having an indoor track above and going around the basketball court. Franklin Mass YMCA has something similar.
2. A gym with all kinds of equipment. Like a YMCA.
3. Having a YMCA there would be fabulous.
4. YMCA would be great.
5. Sounds nice but won't be used much, besides taxpayers shouldn't be paying for sports related facilities. Better option would be a YMCA.
6. When I was at that age the YMCA had HS 14-18 dances once a month on Fridays that were fun and safe (I know the parents appreciated as well) no one was allowed to drive, had to be dropped off and picked up. Was for 3 hours 7-10pm - just a thought but it certainly was a highlight of my growing up.
7. Need to have a Y or similar with seasonal programs and summer camps.
8. Have a "y" come in and run it the right way.
9. You could sell it to the YMCA with a stipulation that the senior center and rec dept be housed there and achieve the same thing but not have the added town expense to run it.
10. Location for outer cape Y??
11. I think something like a YMCA would be fantastic.
12. Look at the management of these and the YMCA/Library/other Community Centers for Space, usage, hours of operation.

BB. Traffic

1. If you're thinking of a community center or anything of that magnitude, it should have no access to it from Rt. 6. If you do, it would be suicide for anyone trying to get there or leave. Especially with Willy's right next door. You also have a new residential development being constructed across the street.
2. A community space it great but traffic it's difficult to get in and out of especially for children and young adults and bikes. 🙄
3. Parking and traffic flow would need to be addressed.
4. The T Time location has been reviewed with traffic and pedestrian traffic concerns . This is a 4 lane highway which is not safe for children or adults . Retail if any type as well would be dangerous with traffic.
5. Traffic is a big concern.

6. How would this affect traffic. would access be on a main road or off main road.
7. Easy in and out... no traffic risks!
8. Lighted entry/exit to CCRT. Bicycle parking space. Full traffic light on Rt 6 with barricaded NO LEFT TURN on Rt 6.
9. not sure the community center should be on route 6.
10. It needs to be a comfortable gathering place with good parking and safe access on and off of rt 6.
11. Crosswalk for pedestrians and bikers over Rt. 6.
12. Whatever is decided, you should consider a service road parallel to Rte. 6 so all traffic can enter and leave at a traffic light, and with a turning lane.
13. I think that a community center would be better off being easily accessible to the bike trail so young and old people don't have to cross route 6.
14. Access entrance to the rail trail to keep traffic off Rt. 6 and make it accessible by bike and walking.
15. Parking could be accommodated via shuttles from the high school. Put in a sidewalk alongside the entire run of Rt 6 from Brackett to Nauset Rd. to make that entire commercial district more pedestrian friendly. Also a back cut-through to the bike path.
16. How will traffic safely enter & leave the facility using Rt 6, if many cars are arriving & leaving at the same time, as when large participation events are held? This problem should be considered when use of the property is being decided.
17. Adequate parking for the multi-use complex ?? entrance and exits off route six.

CC. Bike Path related comments

1. Access from the bike path. Just making the space a community center is thinking small. I was hoping for more ideas, not just one building. This doesn't come along often.
2. Access to the Bike path please.
3. Safe access, plenty of parking, walking trail, access from bike trail, senior center, Eastham information center, History of Eastham Museum.
4. Eastham needs a "center of town" Village Green with open areas for families to gather. Also, the bike trail runs right behind the property and it would be nice to include a "rest area" as part of the design. As nice as the bike trail is, there are few places to stop and "hang out" for lunch, etc.
5. Since the bike trail runs alongside the property, perhaps a snack bar would be nice.
6. I would like to see 1/2 of the space dedicated to sitting benches, picnic style tables, covered areas for resting and relaxing. This could be on the back half of the property near the bike trail.
7. Close to the bike trail. Accessible to all.
8. I believe it important to link whatever is done at T-Time to existing facilities via walkways, footbridges, sidewalks, etc. The new Nauset High School, Eastham Elementary, Bike Path.
9. To keep the charming character of Eastham, please limit all buildings to a single story height. Anything higher is an eyesore from the Cape Cod Rail Trail, a key tourism driver for the Eastham economy.

DD. Financial Comments – pro & con

1. It's not important, it's a nice to have but even then highly questionable that taxpayers should pay for something like that. We need services like a small hospital or Lowe's or Wal-Mart (costs are way too high from small hardware or retail stores) or must go all the way to Hyannis.
2. Eastham should use this space in a way that is financially self-supporting.
3. Large, multipurpose areas would be a benefit and eliminate expense of specifically built rooms.
4. Concern about tax impact of additional capital projects. Tax rate before School is extremely high.
5. Hall rental.
 6. The idea of renting out rooms for birthday parties/ celebrations.
7. Free or minimal Membership fee for Eastham residents - higher for non-residents.
8. The type of space will be important, but the ongoing financial and labor commitment to programming in the space will be equally important.
9. I feel the space would be an asset if we could partner with a company to created jobs.
10. Separate fees for residents/ nonresidents/ and "pop in's".
11. Eastham has many seasonal resources and trying to use a community center to make all sports and other activities year-round is likely to strain resources and may not take into account the demographics of the year-round population. If you just survey people they are likely to state "yes" more often than their actual predictive usage based on recreation industry actualities. I would get some demographic usage information for each of the major uses that are planned for the center; that usage data is likely more compelling than "wish list" survey data
12. We are planning to become full time residents in the next two years. I would hope that any additional spaces would include repurpose over new construction, or fundraising for new construction in advance as was done for the gorgeous new library.
13. It will benefit all ages... full and part time residents and might raise \$ from visitors/tourists that wish to use it for a fee.
14. We need an inexpensive gym (aka planet fitness)
15. It may be surprising to some, but community centers can boost a small town's economy. First, recreation centers require large staffs, creating new jobs in the community. Second, hosting sports tournaments at your recreation center can convert it into a sports tourism destination, capitalizing on a \$15 billion industry. As people travel to your town for tournaments, they are likely to bring money to local restaurants, hotels, and shopping centers.
16. A community center of this caliber would be beneficial to all residence of Eastham and visitors. It would also increase the value of all properties in Eastham.
17. Some options would need close supervision And require high insurance premiums-\$\$\$\$\$.
18. Please do something that would not drive up taxes.

19. More wasted taxpayer money?
20. It's hard to answer questions without cost estimates. All the things on this list might produce a \$50-100M building.
21. A large community bulletin board or other community advertising space where people can post about offerings or needs.
22. How would we fund a 50 million dollar community center?
23. Whatever we do it needs to be cost neutral if the school upgrade passes.
24. Should be self-sufficient.
25. Affordable, keep memberships cost low.
26. Invite Support of Supplemental overhead operating costs by inviting town of Wellfleet, Truro or Orleans to coop with the town on portion.
27. Eastham spends too much money as it is. Always looking to nonresident real estate to fund Eastham's wish list.
28. We need more tax ratables in town, such as a Nursing Home Complex, combined with a Urgent care center. The property should generate income for the town, instead of generating more taxes for the town. Enough of the foolishness stated above.
29. Many of the options offered above would compete with local businesses, the Elks Club, and the library.
30. How do we pay for it? Does the center pay taxes?
31. NO, sell the property so the taxpayers aren't stuck with it like the "low income" housing. Town doesn't need to be a landlord!
32. USE LOCAL builders, electricians, plumbers etc. Maybe tax breaks could be offered or we could have people volunteer their time, materials etc.
33. This property needs to generate tax revenue and not a tax loss. The school gym is more than adequate for the populous of Eastham.
34. Retail small business and commercial use makes tax revenue. Low income and/or more housing creates just more drain on school, fire, police etc.
35. All of those ideas are too expensive and will cause an increase in taxes. If people want to work out they can go to the gym.
36. We have a million dollar resort at the library would you built with our tax money and few people using it.
37. Eastham is a small community and since the powers that be have decided not to increase the tax base any use of the property should have a pay as you use component. Otherwise you are asking taxpayers to subsidize out of season programs for full time residents.
38. Concerned about tax hikes for the local who are not wealthy retirees?
39. Please consider commercial use to contribute to the tax base.
40. Not interested in indoor community space. TOO much cost and upkeep. And waste of space in winter. And who would be allowed to use it on our taxpayer money?
41. We need something that generates jobs and/or tax revenues to offset the profligate spending of the town, not another black hole for money.
42. Cost for the taxpayers is very important, not everyone who lives here is wealthy. Cost of living is rising and it would be nice to see the town try to save some money.

43. Don't spend money on rich people activities, let them buy memberships at private places. Four season tennis courts/indoor basketball arena? Use resources wisely. Won't Nauset high get a new courts anyway? That's what would serve most people's health the most. If you're playing tennis and basketball you're probably already in decent shape. With a new school all the kids arts needs should be met there. We have plenty of organizations etc. on the Cape that help/house/fund artists. This is something the town should not fund. As well as "business" meeting spaces. The town shouldn't fund free office space for private for profit businesses. There absolutely should be a community kitchen for various reasons most of all humans need to eat. Spend your money wisely and rennet once it's built it has to be maintained.
44. I think building a community center that not all members of the community would utilize would be a waste of money and the space.
45. Do not use it for this purpose unless there is money for that staffing.
46. We are putting in a ton of money into the high school; let's make that the multipurpose area. This is nuts. That land should be in the land bank.
47. This will benefit young to old ...full times and part times and can be a source of revenue for the town too.
48. It needs to have spaces and functions for a wide range of adult. Some programs and spaces should also be able to be rented or offer programs that can help generate revenue/cover expenses.
49. I think it's important to factor in revenue generating opportunities to offset the expense of these new facilities.

EE. Housing instead of Community Center – pros & cons

1. Eastham does not need a community center. Eastham needs housing.
2. A community center is not as needed or important as senior and disabled housing.
3. Affordable and Senior Housing is very important to me.
4. We need senior apts. run by the town- the only town on cape cod without affordable APTS for seniors. This frees up housing for young families.
5. I would like to see simple, small, inexpensive housing units built near Route 6, for all the local blue collar folks working nearby. On the south and east sides of these units, separated by trees and hedges,
6. How about Housing for Seniors?
7. It should be more than just a community center, such as affordable housing wing.
8. I feel it is more important for the space to be used as a community center rather than commercial. Not sure if this is addressed further on, but I would also consider a senior housing / health care facility a better use than straight residential.
9. We need elderly housing.
10. Barracks/housing for seasonal employees.
11. It would be nice but I need a place to live more.
12. I would like the center to focus on the basic needs of low income residents.
13. Sr. living residences, with skilled nursing services.

14. Affordable housing should be addressed before a community center. There will be no one to make use of the center if they can't find/afford housing.
15. If there is no affordable housing and new generations cannot move to Eastham a community center is a giant waste of tax payer dollars.
16. We need affordable housing.
17. I'd love to have a community center but its importance is outweighed by the need for affordable housing.
18. I don't think it's a valid consideration at this time. We need AFFORDABLE HOUSING!
19. Not as important as housing.
20. I don't have a major problem with a community center, but the overall importance for low income housing is most urgent.
21. I don't think a community's center is important if we don't have housing for our citizens.
22. Much more important to first provide places for people to live affordable. Until that is achieved, community centers are not necessary.
23. How about affordable housing? You people are so blind to the actual needs of this community.
24. Affordable housing would be best.

FF.No Housing

1. Putting any type of Housing would be of real concern.
2. Not interested in more affordable housing !!! Something to benefit beautify our quaint town gardens outdoor space exercise art space.
3. NO Housing on this property with all the public buildings. I think it would be a mistake to try and put a few homes in there and take away from the total town access space. 11 acres is not that big with homes on it with any kind of yard.
4. Not public housing.
5. There's been so much housing development along route six, I'm excited to see the space being used for something different.
6. No housing-just community space!

GG. Business Comments

1. I think having a mix of businesses and community resources is important in establishing a Town Center we do not currently have. I do not think overloading it with hangout activities is a good idea, particularly during the tourist season.
2. Convenient parking with native landscaping surrounding the area.
3. What about a place for interesting shopping, an arcade type place like "Dream Machine" things to do for kids when it rains. Pop up shops. A craft store (only one is in Hyannis). People in Eastham, Wellfleet, Truro, Ptown all have to travel pretty far for a variety of shops. Include green space for tables.
4. Perhaps quaint shopping area.
5. A marketplace.
6. Snack bar or small restaurant for residents.
7. Use it for professional use and stores/shops.
8. Restaurants, pharmacy.

HH. Medical/Emergency Services

1. Space for a red cross shelter with pet area. If the red cross needs to open a shelter it is supposed to have a pet area and our current shelter space is SEVERELY lacking for pets and people.
2. Emergency medical services.
3. I would suggest that T-time would be a great location for the proposed medical center at Lobster Claw location and also mixed use with housing (some affordable).
4. Elderly health care center.
5. A partitioned space for a therapeutic horse program for Vets and children would be magnificent. Coming from a background of lifetime horsemanship this is an uncultivated area that could serve a very underserved local community population's needs with success and diversity.
6. Also consider Emergency Shelter as part of the Large multi-Purpose Area, in case of need the room could be converted into an Emergency Shelter. Also, a secured area for an Emergency Operations Center for our Emergency Folks & Town Officials during high impact storms or disasters.
7. Possibly a mini clinic during certain days or times.
8. What about a settlement house-type model, where there would also be social services: as expansive as counseling/drop in support and wrap-around services, or as limited as Information & Referral to available/existing services.....

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