

Question 35 Comments Summary - Are there ordinances that the town should enforce diligently?

Topic	Number of Comments
Trash/dumping on property	13
Unregistered/junk vehicles	7
Dogs/animal control	5
Failing septic/sewage/water quality	5
Abandon property/dilapidated homes	3
ATV's	2
NO Zoning	2
Zoning	1
Building permits	1
Steep driveways	1
Building in the floodplain	1
Drugs	1

Question 48 Comments Summary - Over the next 8 years what will be the most critical issues facing West Fairlee?

Topic	Number of Comments
Local Economy	
Taxes	19
Education tax cost	4
Attracting business	4
Employment	2
Lack of tax base	2
Tax break for seniors and veterans/low income	2
Land Use	
Controlled/planned/sustainable development	4
Consuming critical wildlife habitat/environmental impact	4
Keeping rural character of the town	1
Organic food growth	1
Over-development	1
Water quality	1
Zoning	2
NO zoning	1
Energy	
Renewable energy/conservation	3
Infrastructure	
Technological infrastructure/Internet/cell phone coverage	5
Roads	5
Bean Hall	3
Deteriorating properties	2
Improving image of the village	2
Transportation	2
Housing	2
Community	
Community identity/involvement	8

Aging population	6
Attracting/retaining young people	4
Education	4
Drugs	3
Police coverage/crime prevention	2
Declining population	2

Question 49 Comments Summary - How would you like to see West Fairlee change over the next 8 years?

Topic	Number of Comments
Infrastructure	
Develop Community Center with activities and business center	4
Better cell phone/Internet service	4
Better infrastructure	1
Improve transportation	1
Energy	
Move toward sustainable energy	2
Land Use	
Retain quaint Vermont life/rural character	7
Preserve wild places/awareness of natural resources	2
Have zoning to preserve and clean-up town	2
Do more with trails and natural resources	1
Move toward organic food growth	1
No large-scale development	1
Community	
Be more community minded	12
Establish social life for teens/seniors	4
Make Bean Hall the center of our community	4
More active town center/community events	2
Merge with Thetford or Fairlee	1
Strong leaders	1
Better communications	1
Education	
Clean-up school system/get out of Rivendell System	4
Local Economy	
More responsible local business/more open to business	9
Broaden tax base	3
Develop the town/improve/establish programs to advance town	2
Lower taxes	2
Prosperity	2
Stabilize tax increases	1
Increase light industry	1
Proactive investment	1
Housing	
Clean-up messy/abandoned property	7
More housing	1
Convert trailer park into low income housing	1

Population	
Grow population	4
Grow younger population	2
More gentrification of village and town	2
Curb population	1
Discourage low income families in West Fairlee	1
Municipal Services and Regulations	
Better policing	3
Support fire department/more professional fire department	2
More social services	1
Equal service to all tax payers	1
Protect private property owners	1