Mendham Borough Open Space, Recreation, and Historic Preservation Plan Update Survey

Mendham Borough is in the process of preparing an update to its 2002 Open Space, Recreation, and Historic Preservation Plan. With your feedback, the Borough will create an evidence-based and publicly informed roadmap for protecting and enhancing Mendham Borough's open space, recreation, and historic assets.

This survey will remain open until December 31st, 2026.

To take the survey online, visit https://forms.gle/r4RUSiacATm4LiAe8
Or scan the QR Code:

Please return completed hard copies of surveys to the Borough Hall.

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If you responded to the survey electronically, your response is automatically recorded and you do NOT need to submit a hard copy

1. **What is your connection to Mendham Borough? <u>Select all that apply.</u>**

   - ☐ I live in Mendham Borough.
   - ☐ I live outside of Mendham Borough.
   - ☐ I own property in Mendham Borough.
   - ☐ I work in Mendham Borough.
   - ☐ I use or participate in Mendham Borough's open space and recreation facilities/programs.

2. **Please <u>select all</u> of the Mendham Borough recreation facilities or programs that you or your household members visited or attended in the past year.**

   - ☐ Borough Park (Doubleday Field, Elliott Field, Lenape Field, Tennis Courts, Carriage House, Gazebo, First Responders Turf Court)
   - ☐ Franklin Field
   - ☐ Pastime Field
   - ☐ Mountain Valley Park
   - ☐ Westfield Park/Botti Fields & Pavilion
   - ☐ Garabrant Center
   - ☐ Patriot's Path
   - ☐ Schiff Nature Preserve
   - ☐ None
   - ☐ Other: _____

3. **How often have you or your household members visited or participated in Mendham Borough's recreation facilities or programs in the past year? <u>Select one.</u>**

   - ○ Weekly
   - ○ Monthly
   - ○ Rarely
   - ○ Never

4. In general, how would you rate the condition of Mendham Borough's parks, open spaces, and recreation facilities?

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Unsure
Borough Park (Doubleday Field, Elliott Field, Lenape Field, Tennis Courts, Carriage House, Gazebo, First Responders Turf Court)	O	O	O	O	O
Franklin Field	O	O	O	O	O
Pastime Field	O	O	O	O	O
Mountain Valley Park	O	O	O	O	O
Westfield Park/Botti Fields and Pavilion	O	O	O	O	O
Garabrant Center	O	O	O	O	O
Patriot's Path	O	O	O	O	O
Schiff Nature Preserve	O	O	O	O	O

5. Which park or facility do you visit most often? Select one.

- ○ Borough Park (Doubleday Field, Elliott Field, Lenape Field, Tennis Courts, Carriage House, Gazebo, First Responders Turf Court)
- ○ Franklin Field
- ○ Pastime Field
- ○ Mountain Valley Park
- ○ Westfield Park/Botti Fields & Pavilion
- ○ Garabrant Center
- ○ Patriot's Path
- ○ Schiff Nature Preserve
- ○ None
- ○ Other: _____

6. Please select all amenities you would like to see improved or added to Mendham Borough's parks and open spaces to enhance or extend your visits.

- ☐ ADA accessibility
- ☐ Bike racks
- ☐ Drinking fountains/bottle filling stations
- ☐ Educational signage
- ☐ Entrance signs
- ☐ Grills
- ☐ Landscaping
- ☐ Parking
- ☐ Picnic tables/benches
- ☐ Public art
- ☐ Restrooms
- ☐ Security lighting
- ☐ Sensory features for individuals with disabilities
- ☐ Shade structures
- ☐ Sidewalks
- ☐ Trail lighting
- ☐ Trailheads (parking, kiosk with maps/signage)
- ☐ Trees
- ☐ Water features
- ☐ Wayfinding signage
- ☐ Wi-Fi access
- ☐ None of the above
- ☐ Other: _____

7. Please select all of the following features and facilities you and/or members of your household would like to be able to use in Mendham Borough.

- ☐ Outdoor stage
- ☐ Community gardens
- ☐ Disc/frisbee golf courses
- ☐ Dog parks
- ☐ Fitness equipment (outdoors)
- ☐ Natural areas/nature parks
- ☐ Nature center
- ☐ Picnic shelters/picnic areas
- ☐ Playgrounds
- ☐ Pollinator gardens
- ☐ Sensory/quiet space
- ☐ Trails – walking/biking (hard surface)
- ☐ Trails – hiking (natural surface)
- ☐ Trails – mountain biking (natural surface)
- ☐ Trails – equestrian
- ☐ Wildlife observation and scenic viewpoints
- ☐ None of the above
- ☐ Other: _____

8. **Did you or members of your household participate in programs offered by the Mendham Borough Recreation Department during the past year? Select one.**

   ○ Yes

   ○ No

9. **If you answered "yes" to the previous question, please specify which program(s) you or members of your household participated in.**

10. **Please select all programs and activities you/members of your household would like to be able to participate in or attend in Mendham Borough.**

    ☐ Birdwatching/wildlife viewing
    ☐ Children's play/family outings
    ☐ Concerts/performances
    ☐ Ecology/educational talks
    ☐ Festivals/fairs
    ☐ Guided hikes/walks
    ☐ Historic tourism
    ☐ Nature photography
    ☐ Wildflower/tree identification
    ☐ None of the above
    ☐ Other: _____

11. **For the programs and activities you or members of your family use or would like to use, which age group is the most important? Select all that apply.**

    ☐ Youth
    ☐ Teen
    ☐ Adult
    ☐ Senior
    ☐ Other: _____

12. Please <u>select all</u> of the reasons that prevent you or members of your household from using Mendham Borough's parks and recreation programs more often.

- ☐ Lack of adequate parking
- ☐ Class/program full
- ☐ Condition of facilities
- ☐ Lack of time
- ☐ Do not know what is offered
- ☐ Facility unavailable
- ☐ Lack of shade **(*CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)***
- ☐ Lack of restrooms
- ☐ Limited options for children
- ☐ Limited options for adults
- ☐ Limited options for seniors
- ☐ Location not convenient
- ☐ Facilities/programs do not meet accessibility needs
- ☐ Poor customer service
- ☐ Program not offered (note which program is needed in “Other”)
- ☐ Security or safety concerns
- ☐ Use other agencies’ facilities (Where and why? Note in “Other”)
- ☐ None/no barriers
- ☐ Other: _____

13. Please <u>select all</u> the ways you prefer to learn about parks and recreation facilities, programs, activities, or events.

- ☐ Borough Municipal Building (visit or call)
- ☐ Email notifications
- ☐ Text notifications
- ☐ Park kiosk/bulletin board
- ☐ Flyers/banners
- ☐ Borough website
- ☐ School communications
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ Word of mouth
- ☐ Other: _____

14. Please indicate your level of support for actions Mendham Borough could take to improve parks and recreation. See next page.

	Very Supportive	Somewhat Supportive	Somewhat Unsupportive	Not Supportive	Unsure
Acquire land to add or expand the Borough's parks	O	O	O	O	O
Acquire land to preserve more open space/natural areas	O	O	O	O	O
Add/improve park features (e.g., picnic areas/shelters, restrooms, trailheads, seating, lighting, shade)	O	O	O	O	O
Develop places for environmental, cultural, and historical programs	O	O	O	O	O
Develop playgrounds/natural play areas, including options for adults and all ability needs	O	O	O	O	O
Expand trails and connectivity throughout the Borough	O	O	O	O	O
Increase cultural/historical programming for Borough residents of all ages	O	O	O	O	O
Protect the Borough's natural areas and resources, including waterways, wetlands, and biodiversity	O	O	O	O	O
Provide funding for maintenance/stewardship of existing preserved lands	O	O	O	O	O

15. **Are there any specific historic sites or buildings that you would like to be protected or improved?**

16. **Is there any additional feedback you would like to share with the Borough regarding open space, recreation, and historic resources?**