

MEMORANDUM

TO: Conservation Commission
FROM: Maureen O'Meara, Town Planner
DATE: May 4, 2016
SUBJECT: Town Council goal-Greenbelt missing links

Introduction

The Town Council has asked the Conservation Commission to provide a report on the following goal:

Receive a report showing missing links in the cross town greenbelt trail and detailing other significant links to neighborhoods.

2013 Greenbelt Plan

The Conservation Commission completed a comprehensive evaluation of existing public trails and desired locations for new trails as part of the 2013 Greenbelt Plan. The plan includes 23 trail "links" shown in conceptual locations. Of those 23, the commission identified trail links 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 10 as the highest priority links. The chart below generally assesses the status of the highest priority links (trails are shown in *conceptual* locations so the number of parcels needed may vary).

Town Council Goal - Greenbelt Missing Links				
2013 Greenbelt Plan Highest Priority Links	Total number of Parcels	Public Access Rights obtained	Private Property	Status
1 - Dyer Woods to Loveitt Woods	10-11	4	6-7	CC initiated contact with property owners
2 - Mitchell Rd to South St/Trout Brook	10	3	7	No action at this time
3 - Mitchell Rd to Hobstone	3	2	1	CC in discussions with property owners
5- Plaisted Park to Loveitt Woods	3-4	2	2	Informal discussion with staff has occurred with property owner
6 - Route 77 to Canterbury on the Cape	3	1	2	CC in discussions with property owners
10- Cross Town Trail to Route 77	1	0	1	CELT lead

Cross Town Trail

The Cross Town Trail incorporates the following trails:

Fort Williams
Stonegate
Robinson Woods
Town Center Trail
Gull Crest Trail
Great Pond Trail

At this time the missing link identified as trail #10 on the Greenbelt Plan.