

## 2022 Mitchell Field Survey Question B-4 Responses

### B-4 What would you do to improve Mitchell Field? (502 Responses)

Good
Bathrooms as in Real Bathrooms not portable.
Add a few more trails, remove the big building at waterfront and create something smaller(?). Small satellite parking lots might be a good thing, but don't want parking
MFC has a number of proposals it is working on, and most have merit; e.g. walking trails through meadows, expanded community garden, memorial bench sites, potential
Signage for the trails in the wooded area, continued replacement of the old picnic tables, removal or reuse of the on-site buildings
add a pier and floats so can be accessed by water and used for more water activities
All tide boat ramp, town dock, town moorings
Use all the buildings and make more attractive with plantings
Make the old buildings usable or tear them down and construct new ones. A playground for the children would be really nice. More picnic tables and benches are needed.
Make a decision on what it really is. Is Mitchell Field a recreational area? Is it a business park? What are the legacy buildings to be used for? Hybrids do a little of everything
focus on projects that benefit the majority of Harpswell residents. No more businesses, don't take state money that forces Harpswell to allow anyone to use the facility.
Do more research on the bird life, the plants and the ecology. then share it with school kids.
Look to section b-3
More mooring spots for boaters and possibly a little lunch spot where you could purchase food and essentials.
Make a dog park
Develop a walking path along the road so folks aren't walking on the road.
This is for E-6, I would most be in favor to have marine businesses to support the marine industry. Not restaurants. I don't know what the MBD stipulations/ requirements are
add food trucks, develop the huge field with things like a volleyball court, ice rink
more moorings, less signage about what not to do
Add a shark net by the swimming area like they do in Florida. Since there are more and more shark sightings in Harpswell it would be great for feeling safe while
Add additional income producing ability
Create a dog park
open up a boat ramp including opening up moorings (we were told they are not available right now) and then offer town people moorings with overnight parking
boat ramp, float.
Develop a custodial maintenance plan for when the current Steward's services are no longer available. Better posting of speed limits.
More options for boater's. Mooring access, dinghy dock, ramp. I would support a higher mooring fee for Mitchell Field to support these items including permanent restrooms and overnight parking. I moved to Harpswell from Freeport 5 years ago and had my mooring in the Harraseeket River with access to the dinghy dock and rack. There is very limited water access for boaters in Harpswell. The marinas have wait lists, the town dock on Harpswell Neck has no overnight parking and very limited day parking.
Pave the road down to the beach. Love to see a large community playground with a sandbox and a few benches.
Make it business friendly park so that it can generate revenue for the town.
Improved restrooms
More signs about where to go
Set the bike rack in an area off the main road. Fill the large gaps/cracks in the walking path. Maybe a day or season pass for non resident and seasonal residents would help
Remove seaweed if possible, expand beach area.
Paving the wooded trail would be nice or packing down the large rocks because I have tripped on them. Also, a small playground would be a good asset.
Increase moorings and space for dinghies.
Make that ugly concrete building into something attractive and useful
Permanent restroom
Separate areas or a dog park for off-leash dogs
Plant trees, fruit trees
knock down the admin building and replace it with a new, more efficient building with amenities (rest rooms, storage space, meeting /event space, and office space
Dog park
Restrooms are pretty dirty
complete planned launch and float projects

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Add a boat launch
Add a few more benches around the field and at the end of the pier. Provide a place to throw trash. Add speed bumps. Get rid of all poison ivy and Bitter sweet and other invasive plants.
put in more benches and picnic tables, especially on the old pier, plow the road on both sides during the winter
Put in more distance markers.
Keep most of it nature.
Leave it as it is
More benches and picnic tables.
Build a new pier and allow fishing past dark.
treat for ticks with something natural.
Speed bumps, benches along the path, improved clearing of the road all the way around in the winter, some trash cans around the perimeter.
add par course pn trail, construct info board highlighting specific sites--about some old navy thing, location of things, why so many fire hydrants; about flora & fauna,
I would remove the leash law for the entire day - we have never had issues with dogs there and it would encourage even more people to use it. Also, I think it would be beautiful and good for the environment if we created some flower gardens at the entrance with paths where we could walk through that part of the field. Could lead down to the community garden that is then for fruits and vegetables for renters.
trash bins
Cancel the planning for the boat launch.
Needs a complete makeover to become an amazing, important place for many different kinds of people and activities -- a true community space/park like we don't have in Harpswell. Also, if there were a boat launch and a place for keeping small a small sailboat on a trailer, I would be there every day!!
Remove the old brick buildings, replace with a shelter for picnic tables and perhaps a low maintenance public bathroom.
Not a lot, a few more parking spaces, make it a little easier to use the beach. A few more activities or amenities might be nice, but I don't want it to become much busier than is now, or have a lot of the open space used up by other things.
Put dog bag/dropoff station on northern/"fence side" walking side
I'd love to see a basketball court, or soccer field. A bathroom/ changing room. Covered building area.
As a year round resident, it was great to have the paths cleared last winter, making walking safer and easier. Perhaps a few more benches; another 1-2 dog waste disposal stations to encourage people to pick up after their pets; have people pick up after their pets! No more industry at Mitchell Field. Keep it for all to enjoy and help protect the wildlife.
Community Building with swimming pool.
more parking at the entrance area
Install a boat ramp and other recreational attractions
Boat ramp
Add shade trees or permanent coverings.
Restaurant
Provide information placards about the setting.
add a playground/play area for kids; create beach volleyball court for older kids and adults; put in a few shade trees; get rid of all the traces of the old industrial type buildings; add some picnic tables
Cleaner beach area and bath house would be nice. Kayak rentals, beach chair rentals, beach umbrellas might bring in some money for upkeep. I walk my dogs there, and i find most of the dog people respectful, I love it for walking.
It would be nice to have a refreshment stand, restrooms
Clarify its identity, then equip it appropriately. It's a mish-mash of things right now, which is hard to market. Put the commercial activities near the road, not near the
Promote the beach and picnic areas. Mitchell is well maintained and clean. What needs to be done is to promote beach areas to attract more people.
Parking
More activities like Dog park, nature walks and a place for families to bring their children, playgrounds, sport fields, baseball/basketball/ volleyball and skate/ice skate park.
public boat launch with over night parking
Leave it in its natural state as much as possible; weigh the pros and cons and seek community input before proceeding with development.
Add a fenced in dog park for off leash enjoyment, that has no risk of dogs running off.
Use two empty building.
Build a dog park
Have a real bathroom
Get rid of old brick buildings and make a nice beach
More benches to sit on, more "beach" areas cleared
better beach area

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Do not encourage or allow anymore expansion of business entities into the waterfront space. The noise, activity and vehicles from the farm create a sense that portion of the field is for their use. This is public space and should remain free of pipes, engines, and more buildings.
add availability of guest moorings
plant trees
Improve the walking surfaces on the trail
a few more parking for the band concerts
It would be very nice to have composting toilets.
Leash the dogs
1, Concentrate the area use on recreation, both on land and from the water 2. Remove abundance of signage, detracting from the natural beauty of the spot 3. Wrest control of the site from the small committee that is making the site unwelcoming to others and overly controlled 4. Replan the layout of the site to enhance recreational use and finally abandon the layout associated with former fuel depot, stop just dropping uses wherever there is an empty space 5. Install piers for fishing and boat use 6. Additional town pier and boat launch
develop recreational uses as the only use
More parking and mowing
Any infrastructure. A pier to fish off of. A boat launch. A few pickleball courts, bike trails, a shade pavilion, trees, weekend food trucks, fitness classes, kayak rentals, benches, loop walking trail, and cross country ski trails when we ever have enough snow.
more places to sit
continue low-key development for recreational us
Clear an area of open space along the highpoint to the right of the gravel road leading up the hill from the paved road at the bottom below the bandstand. This would be a great area to picnic, watch the sunset, and enjoy the view. The cliff could be fenced off to prevent injuries.
1) Develop more walking trails; 2) Fill in middle part of Mitchell Field with a more formal park or activities for kids (e.g. swings). 3) Have a vendor and/or food truck there
I am confused about the purpose of this survey. The issue of what to do at Mitchell Field requires study leading to a proposal that could be put before the community for input. Is the current survey intended to inform such a study? Or has there been a study in the past that has been guiding the town's actions to make "Mitchell Field beneficial to Harpswell residents and our visitors and ... improve this resource for the residents of Harpswell"? For example, I am a volunteer with HAH and we have found it challenging to involve all of the "pocket communities" that make up Harpswell. What would make a resident of Cundy's Harbor or Baileys Island make use of Mitchell Field? From your survey, there is no way of knowing whether users who respond are mainly close at hand along the Neck or not. Rather than presenting separate items about parking, mooring, administration building, etc., I favor appointing a Task Force of community representatives and experts to study the issues, including the economic ramifications, and then present to residents various scenarios or options for development and use of the area. I would be glad to serve on such a Task Force (Kathy Hirst, 66 Lombos Hole Road, khirstx@gmail.com, 207-833-5403).
Make the paths concrete instead of asphalt and invest the money to make those paths really nice and a bit wider for riding bikes and walkers.
NA
Hold events, make my net for the town with the property.
more parking
Boat launch, docks, athletic fields, ice rink, more activities for kids an families. Bring back the Harpswell Festival!
Boat launch
Snow removal on walking paths. It's a shame when we can't use it year round.
Create gardens and walking paths in meadow/field. Add benches, picnic tables, bathroom, easy kayak launch, parking
More music events.
Add Pickleball courts. Brunswick rec is adding 8 courts to compliment the 8 non public ones there
More live music
Put in the boat ramp!
Determine a use for the buildings
Not sure
nothing
more signage; marked pathways; maps; set of rules clearly laid out
clean the beach of debris, more biking/walking trails, real bathroom
more community activities
More walking trails
more parking
Not sure
Tennis courts

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Real public rest rooms. More parking. For runners/walkers, more mileage markers.
The causeway/jetty would be a wonderful place to walk to take in the view or bring a chair a sit a bit to take on the view.
Concessions or food trucks and a real bathroom/bathhouse. Fenced dog park.
Nothing specific - feel that the town is working hard to make good use of the amazing space.
Put in a decent boat ramp! The Town of Harpswell has no adequate boat ramps (limited deep water access, no parking, no turn arounds, no facilities) and no options for improving the existing ones. Mitchell Field offers the perfect opportunity to design a facility that can meet the increasing demands of the town's people and its visitors.
nothing
picnic tables under a roof, separated from others
Boat launch, boat trailer designated parking for locals, develop beachfront for better beach use and space
more picnic tables and places to just sit and read/rest
Demolish or improve appearance of old buildings
Add permanent bathrooms that can be kept clean.
include a restroom
Not sure
I'd add a dock, ramp, and moorings and athletic fields/courts, parking
keep up the infrastructure
See B-3
Build bathroom facilities and an enclosed dog park
I would remove that illegal shop or place it maybe somewhere else in the background. As long as it's moveable. Add a playground made out of recycled material there so parents could watch from their cars with the existing parking. Place fence along Maine road for protection.
Get rid of the shop out front and add a basketball court or playground. You couldn't keep the ice cream there because parents would feel too obligated to buy ice cream for kids. Wouldn't make sense. Not healthy. Maybe a water/ Gatorade vending machine.
Keep it as is.
Nothing
Add kayak racks for town residents
Build real restrooms; make more trails in the woods (if there's room)
build a trail connecting outer lot(near Pammy's) to the rest of Mitchell Field. Maybe a perimeter trail?
Add bathrooms.
not familiar enough to answer
Seal cracks in pavement on the walking trail. Very concerned that the pavement will deteriorate quickly if it doesn't get attention/maintenance soon.
Limit commercial use. Keep it as a recreational zone.
Require dog leashes at all times
not sure
Have a large, designated area where dogs are free to play anytime.
Better bathroom facilities
walking path gaps w/ strollers, bumpy
perhaps some picnic tables
Better ways to walk there!
n/a
develop for slips and moorings and boat facilities
Restrooms
more music, advertised more
Crew to remove moth nests late winter - need to be removed by March 31 to prevent hatching perpetuation of problem.
Playground equipment. More paths, but keep the open space. Use the vacant buildings.
landscaping - more park like
dock please
Continue plan for dock, ramp, parking, dinghy's at waterfront. Do something with building to support the waterfront. Add dog park. None in Harpswell, only signs saying "no dogs". Add tennis courts, ball fields, and any other places with fences. Not that expensive.
access for dinghy's
I've frequently seen off leash dogs at all hours.
small garbage collection baskets
boat ramp needed
have a dog park, leashed otherwise

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add other activities
Better toilet facilities, picnic tables in shade please
n/a
keep it as natural as possible.
The space is wonderful but there should be a facility plan for the built structures.
Not sure.
More concerts, an inside meeting space
Keep it under developed.
Create an infrastructure for greater use of the fields. More walking trails/paths through the grassy areas, potentially a dedicated dog park, maybe a soccer field/playground/ice rink. Groomed cross country ski trails in the winter would be welcomed. A consumer-use business near the waterfront (restaurant, market, brewery, etc.) would also be welcomed.
Install a boat launch. I'm not likely to support additional parking unless a boat launch is approved and installed.
Remove buildings
Advertise what is available - moorings, swimming, cook-outs
Improve landscaping near waterfront
Keep it as close to nature as possible, thank you!
Town needs a place where you can park your car and have a pier where you can pick up passengers and drop off, or fish off. Not a permanent dock for boats, just pick up and drop off dock.
make it more natural looking, remove some of the old buildings.
Perhaps dogs on leash restrictions should only apply near family picnic areas.
Library, Playground, see E5
There are endless possibilities for this fantastic place. But money and interest are huge obstacles.
Add beehives and sow native wildflowers. Remove old buildings
boardwalk for aging residents
Have free or rentable kayaks, useable grills
Definitely do not add any buildings. Do not allow oyster aquaculture or salmon aquaculture
more picnic tables, enforce leash laws (some people don't follow the rules of leashing), improve the beach
have more events
Boat ramp
public tennis/pickleball
boat launch because of parking options
mow edges more frequently. develop north side of waterfront
market it! Rarely know of events
Refurbish existing buildings, incorporate a library, performance space indoors, bathrooms
More benches/picnic benches. Clean/rake teh beach. Add kayak launch
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sponsor bird watching and hiking events for groups.</li> <li>2. Morning Tai Chi or other group exercise classes</li> <li>3. Add more picnic tables</li> <li>4. Sponsor Karaoke or open mike fun activities at the Bandstand</li> <li>5. Yearly yard sale day with tables for rent</li> <li>6. Cross country ski event or winter carnival - snow shoe</li> <li>7. Fair or carnival event - games, booths, etc.</li> <li>8. picnic afternoon with music (themed?) playing from bandstand area. Digital 50's? All decades?</li> <li>9. Story telling evening/afternoon</li> <li>10. "Old Home Days" (once per year)</li> <li>11. Pick a community cause - meet at Mitchell Field and --- do chores to help elderly or otherwise needy. Have people sign up for what ...</li> <li>12 Perennial swap in the spring (native plants)</li> </ol>
nothing
100% leash rule for dogs. Most people enjoy their walks before 10am. Dog walkers should be after that at a minimum.
invest in it as a community resource
Demolish ugly buildings or fix them up. Add a boat launch ramp
get rid of unused buildings and clam business. Do more plowing in winter
I would not change much of anything
play ground. Flowers? Garden with more access for public to enjoy
nothing

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Add speed bumps. Add more picnic tables and more places to sit around the field. Start the measured mile markers at the entrance and add 1/4 mile and 1/2 mile posts.
nothing
Landscaping with pretty flower gardens and paths. Bathroom facilities
Plant a few more trees and wildflowers, but really, it's grand already.
Keep it simple, but demolish the existing structures
mow more grass
How about a summer theatre?
Change whoever is in charge of deciding what or who the property is used for. Solar Farms could provide free electricity to Harpswell.
pavement in need of repair
Can horses be ridden there?
We like it as is. We use almost all trails and walking areas in Harpswell, enjoy that each is different and unique.
put in a boat launching ramp
?
Provide more designated parking for bandstand
Stop sign
Better parking, bathrooms, outdoor hose to spray off dogs. Possible concession stand but bathrooms with shower most of all.
n/a
trim vegetation more
Add a trail thru the meadow?
Boat launch? More mooring access. Fix path - bumpy
Re-pave the roads and paths
have more concerts, community events, kids events
deal with admin buildings
nothing
bathrooms
Large fenced dog park - need a dog park in Harpswell. Clear segmentation of space.
Better access for boaters, a new set of docks and moorings. Better separation of cars, pedestrians, bikes on the road.
More social events
more trails through Mitchell Field
Clumps of shade trees and paths (more) in the woods
MORE ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS - PLAYGROUND, BIKE PARK
MORE ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS - BIKE PUMP PARK
NOTHING
BUILD A DOCK, PUT A FLOAT WITH A LADDER
IT'S OK AS IS
SPACE FOR KAYAKS
NOTHING, IT'S EXCELLENT AS IS. PLENTY OF PARKING, LOTS OF OPEN SPACE, PAVED WALKING PATHS ARE GREAT FOR THE LESS AMBULATORY (VS PATHS THROUGH THE WOODS, CLIFF TRAIL, ETC.)
RAKE BEACH OF SEAWEED AND USE USE SEAWEED TO MULCH GARDENS
Renovate waterfront building - toilets, add ice rink, improve parking
acquire lots to south
cracks in pavement
none
better access to beach area for people with health issues - walkways with railings. Foodtruck? Pickleball court
gentle development for community
Take out the buildings and put in rest rooms only. More walking paths.
slow down cars, clear brush/trees by water
Use building?
Bathrooms, along path at top of field
More parking at gate. Periodic postcards of ALL activities available at Mitchell Field. Allow food trucks for refreshments and some revenue
Add a boat launching facility
gardens, meadows with native plants, possibly botanical garden
no ideas

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more parking. fine people with unleashed dogs between 10-4. too many dog owner's ignore the leashing policy.
I'm not sure but monitoring for more compliance with picking up dog waste would help.
fence in area for dog park like Bath
Enforce those that do not leash their dogs. This is the reason we do not bring our , because many unleashed dogs will 'at times' go after smaller ones - like our Yorkshire
don't approve more construction - keep it open.
Eliminate - or at best - relax restrictions on dogs. In the winter these hours give about 2 hours of daylight in the morning and none in the afternoon.
Keep business and traffic to a minimum. It's a valuable open space for pedestrians who are unable to walk on Harpswell trails. I see many older people walking there regularly, good for both mental and physical health. Would like longer off-leash hours, especially in winter.
Dock, boat launch, toilets, drinking water sources
have the cell phone tower available to Verizon users
more trails thru the woods at south end
Mow the fields later in the season to provide seed, etc. for migrating birds
Put up some signs connecting people to the natural world. Indicate spots for best viewing of Mt Washington, osprey nests, etc. Map identifying islands, even the Cousin's Island power plant.
nothing, love it just the way it is
bathrooms
A nice dock for fishing. Maybe food trucks or a way for fishermen to see their lobsters and stuff.
bigger beach, more picnic tables, better parking for concerts, real bathroom
make use of fields, landscaping, trees, more trails, recreational area
Tear down/rebuild or refurbish, and repurpose, derelict buildings, guard shack. Improve flow/layout to add walking paths, make more use of field and woods, make better use of ocean views, including moving picnic area, attract more businesses like Pammy's - fun, tasty, festive!
Have dogs leashed at all times so that people can walk any time of the day, especially in the mornings.
Better access in winter
Tell the MF committee to dial it back a little
Improve/fix the paths, do something with the buildings and continue to make beach nice. Maybe a public boat launch!
fix building up and add more activities and uses
Build a boat ramp. Let people have moorings. Let people access those moorings
Food trucks (a few) summer season, RV sites (a few) - seasonally first come first serve, public boat launch, farmer's market pavilion
It would be great to have a restaurant down there!
Playground for all ages to enjoy
could use better bathrooms
Remove unused infrastructure
would like another compatible business
add porta potties
Put speed bumps every 10 ft (or so)
Better signage
Get more volunteer to help get the invasive plants under control. Put porta-potties by the beach area.
Pavillion with rest rooms, Food trucks
Keep the quiet peach of the natural setting
treat ice in winter, keep plowing complete loop
more native plants for birds and butterflies
boat launch/dock
upgrade or add toilet facilities
increase parking
make 'dog off leash' hours earlier in winter months (off season). It is almost dark at 4pm!
I don't know - would hate for it to be overdeveloped though
New boat ramp
Add a boat ramp. Investigate the idea of a library
Build a cafe or restaurant near the beach
would like better restroom facilities
build a boat launch with docks
Make it a place where you can dock boat to have a picnic, eat out, swim, meet others, fish, and other ocean activities
Landscaping/plantings - make it pleasant so people want to come - create walking paths vs the road.

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Make it more park like, add some permanent picnic tables, create some walking paths from the parking area to connect with the beach/bandstand/etc. so you can have a pleasant walk and not be in the road.
Improve/tear down buildings, clean port of Johns, enforce leash laws
Maintain paved walking trails better
Bathrooms
plant more flowers
More picnic tables, boat ramp, dog park, signage and advertising so people are aware it is there.
improve bathrooms, improve and utilize existing buildings
Looking into parceling and getting that piece on the tax rolls and people in their own homes
keep dog poop cleaned up
Trails through the trees for skiing
more off leash time for the dogs
picnic tables with grills
limit dogs to certain areas. Like Stover's beach, reduce parking, reduce population
bring in business or make it turn a profit
nothing
add a marina
parking and bathrooms
boat access
boat access ramp important
I would love to have a 5 week summer rec, 2 groups, 5-10years, 10-15 traditional and hands-on activities taught: knots, mariner history, weather, math related navigation, art, birds, maps, bugs, .... I know the perfect person to coordinate (ask Denise)
like it the way it is. maybe food truck/food stand during summer months
extend paths
revitalize admin building with restrooms, showers, drinking water, meeting rooms, etc.
Have an overall plan that makes it attractive and full of recreational activities
remove seaweed/ update closed buildings
bathroom facilities
plow walking path during winter
better bathroom facilities
add more trails, especially in protected wooded area
year round public bathrooms, full plumbing ideal
Exercise stations similar to Back Cove in Portland
Clean bathroom facilities, even if require payment
?
make use of existing buildings If they are good enough, shape to be upgraded, before adding new
Have the rocky side of beach for people with dogs
put in a play ground
1. ADD A FENCED DOG PARK 2. ADD A BOAT RAMP 3. IMPROVE KAYAK LAUNCH FACILITY 4. MORE PICNIC TABLES
tennis and/or pickle ball courts
get town to commit resources (\$) to it instead of starving it to death.
bathrooms please
better toilet facilities
remove oyster operation
cancel lease (oyster)
add children's activities
improve the waterfront
no comment
use fields for soccer or baseball
Perhaps more paths or more garden space
boat launch - trailer access
patch or remove the asphalt paving
no opinion



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Curb the dogs, have people take care of pets. Mow grassy areas frequently. Have benches and picnic tables. Access to water fountains and porta potties
NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT IT
repurpose buildings for community use
don't use much - don't know. Miss the fireworks
create more paths through the wooded areas
install a 'show garden' of native plants that could be used in home gardens
improve signage
more events and shops/food
1. Put up some documents signs to signify what item or area as used for. 2. Mow field area more often
nothing
#1 - community center. ice rink, ball parks, swimming pool, food trucks, plantings
spruce up the buildings
add a nice restaurant/bar in the old building by the water
I think it is perfect the way it is. Don't over think a good thing.
lighting, upgrade track with posted distance, dog park, improve maintenance
nothing
park facilities - pavilion, grills, rest rooms
real bathrooms, water supply
outdoor event venue. Possible brewery or restaurant?
Have more concerts
add dock space, moorings, etc
perhaps build a picnic pavilion with grills or fireplaces, a few porta potties, build a town dock, a community swimming pool near the water - similar to one in Portsmouth NH
add more recreation facilities; add spaces for community organizations
try to get a kayak outfit to rent kayaks and more moorings
continue with marine/maritime waterfront theme
building useage?
buildings
Add more walking paths and a kayak/canoe launching space. Renovate the Admin Building as the new home of the Harpswell Neck Library.
permanent clean restrooms
Get rid of ugly buildings, plant trees
add trails to woods, repair/develop existing buildings for public use, revive West Harpswell library in buildings
don't commercialize
take down the 'do not enter' chains
nothing
more parking
<b>BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND LIBRARY</b>
increase parking options, encourage more community type activities
add the affordable housing that was in the first master plan
food trucks at band concerts, clean toilets more often, mow fields = less ticks
walking trails need to be graded through the woods. It's too bumpy and rocky.
playground for kids
I think a boat launch could be good, though I'm fearful of too many cars and any form of private industry being allowed to take hold (Which I don't think is part of the plan at this point). It would be great to be able to put a kayak in easily, too, but only if that doesn't interfere with other activities.
have a public building for rest, recreation, food, bathroom
nothing
kids events might be fun!
nothing - leave it as it is
parking area / restrooms
nothing
install community solar farm
more picnic tables, more shaded areas
more parking
build a dog park or isolate off-leash dogs

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1. composting toilets 2. sail lessons? 3.wild flower field for pollinators / birds. maybe beehives to make Harpswell Honey for sale
environmentally friendly overflow parking
add pickleball courts, create a birdwatching guide, widen pathway to beach
nothing
fishing pier, rentals (kayak/canoe/bikes), food trucks
make a dog park. change the 10-4 rule only if having an obedient dog.
food trucks, bathrooms
nothing
install a fishing pier
nothing
boat landing - pickle ball courts
publicize to residents
none
Woods trails could be better maintained and marked. Kayak ramp for launching. Bathrooms
plant tree groves
add a restaurant with sunset views
remove or open chain link fence to allow wildlife passage to MF and up and down Harpswell Neck
Plant more scattered trees. Get rid of chain link fence ... to let wildlife across property
boat launch!!!
A seasonal pier to drop people and tie a tender
more grassy places for picnic or kids to play
more water front activities
things to do for grand children when they come to visit
Limit industrial development
permanent bathrooms
Fairly open to ideas/concepts. The ice rink would be a nice feature.
add benches
Regular removal of seaweed and junk at the beach. Could be used for fertilizer at community garden?
increase variety of rec activities (fields for kids)
Convert the empty buildings for community use, for artists, a library, nonprofit like the Anchor or HAH. Do NOT tear them down for a parking lot!
PLANT TREES
continue to promote its use for the public
Boat launch; parking for all; care for growth
speed bumps
? nothing
allow one or two food trucks
NOTHING
NOTHING
LEAVE IT THE WAY IT IS - NOT ENOUGH FIELDS LEFT IN THIS TOWN AS IT IS
To always keep it wild
put an ice rink in field, in winter
demolish unattractive Admin building and replace with much smaller structure with toilets
Use it to generate revenue to reduce property taxes
Keep open space. Vista
repair or open facilities
more signs to guide you
How about a town Center - small shops, general store (so you don't have to go to Brunswick for most items), Lands End type vacationer's shop
create a series of nature trails with pollinator plantings. Add habitat with native trees and shrubs
boat ramp and parking
build a boat launch ramp, and provide floating docks for temporary boat mooring etc.
use of open space but a balance with nature and the beauty the fields provide
potty nearby?
add more community attractions like a shop or restaurant. Very good seafood opportunities

## 2022 Mitchell Field Survey Question B-4 Responses

clean the beach
clean, grade, seed (grass), and maintain
Further augment the waterfront for boating/fishing/marina activities
leave it as is
leave it alone
Having people following rules - keep dogs leashed!
An actual restroom (not just port a potty) would be nice
Flush toilets and a changing table to make spending time there more comfortable for older adults and young children
better parking
change the name to something other than 'field'
provide more picnic tables & covered shaded seating
more plantings, benches, sculptures or art. MF has potential to be one of Maine's premiere outdoor parks, but it still needs a plan and investment.
Hope you keep up the plowing of the path in the winter, with the snow it's impossible for us to use.
Public restrooms needed. Additional picnic/eating area
don't know
Increase availability of dog friendly hours. Reduce/ slow car traffic
more open access
maintain: perimeter pathways/tracks, woodlands, long/natural meadows
improve trails, educational signage and programs
More walking trails through the wooded section and perhaps if possible through the fields
improve paved walkways as they are deteriorating
I would remove those orange stakes - it makes it appear to be a construction zone - who cares if someone parks on the grass!
Add shade, benches. Add wharf or pier. Fix picnic tables. Have a kite flying contest
n/a
repair asphalt
boat access with senior citizens in mind
offer more parking eventually
Add some benches to rest on when walking; add a rest room; make some places to sit and rest in the wooded area also
More activities - tennis bb court, pickle ball, flower gardens
build a boat ramp / town landing opening up mooring access. Look into possible building of low income housing apartment building
usage of buildings - more events
Nothing much - leave natural. 1. Speed bumps needed (2 number of them) 2. appreciate access to toilets
more things to do - courts, picnic tables, parking shore
Clean up leased property. Leave the rest of the field "as is". Every new 'project' degrades the natural state of the property.