

WELCOME TO THE PlanQAC 2021 COMMUNITY PLANS WORKSHOP!

We'll begin in just a few minutes!

All participants are muted, so if you want to comment, please use the hands up or chat function.

To find the hands up and chat function, hover your mouse over the bottom of the window. These circles should appear. The chat function is the speech bubble and the person with is the participant function where you'll find the hands up.

The hands up function is under participants. There's a little hand in the bottom right corner. Use this function to be unmuted by the host to comment or ask a question.

The screenshot displays the PlanQAC 2021 Community Plans Workshop interface. At the top, there are three orange buttons: "Mute/Unmute", "Open Chat", and "Leave Event". Below these is a row of six circular icons: a red circle with a microphone icon, a grey circle with a hand icon, a blue circle with a person icon, a blue circle with a speech bubble icon, a grey circle with three dots, and a red circle with an 'X' icon. Below this row is a "Participants" button. The main interface is divided into two sections. The top section is titled "Chat" and contains a "To:" dropdown menu set to "Host", a text input field labeled "Enter chat message here", and an orange button labeled "Enter comments/questions here". The bottom section is titled "Participants" and contains a "Panelist: 1" section with a list of participants: "DG" (Dale Grey (Host)) and "AJ" (AutoRegister jemma.pearl@ecodev.vic.gov.au (me)). The "AJ" participant is marked as muted with a red microphone icon. At the bottom right, there is a "Hands up function" button, which is a red circle containing a hand icon, with an orange arrow pointing to it.

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Participants

Chat

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Hands up function



PlanQAC 2021

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY 2021 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



SPECIAL TOPIC WORKSHOP

COMMUNITY PLANS

MAY 5, 2021 1:30-3:30PM



WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & ICEBREAKERS



POLL #1 AND #2

Which Community Plan are you most interested in?

- Chester / Stevensville
- Grasonville
- Kent Narrows
- All of them!

What is your relationship to the community you chose?

- I live here year-round
- I live here part-time (e.g., seasonal, vacation)
- I own a residential rental property
- I work here year-round
- I work here part-time
- I own a business here
- I own non-residential property here
- I keep my boat here
- I work for the County
- Other



POLL #3

Where do you live?

- Barclay (town)
- Centreville (town)
- Chester (community)
- Church Hill (town)
- Grasonville (community)
- Kent Narrows (community)
- Millington (town)
- Queen Anne (town)
- Queenstown (town)
- Stevensville (community)
- Sudlersville (town)
- Templeville (town)
- Queen Anne's County (not in a listed town/community)
- I only work in Queen Anne's County
- I live and work outside Queen Anne's County



POLL #4

How long have you lived (or worked) in QAC?

- Less than 1 year
- 1-5 years
- 6-10 years
- More than 10 years
- I don't live (or work) in Queen Anne's County



Ground Rules

- Start and end on time
- Stay on topic
- Focus on issues, not personalities
- Speak up – everyone contributes
- Be open to new ideas
- Workshop will be recorded and posted online (along with chat comments)

**All participants are muted to reduce background noise.
Raise your hand to be unmuted!**



TODAY'S AGENDA

- Overview of Comprehensive Planning
- Relationship between Comprehensive & Community Plans
- Comprehensive Plan Update Process
- Group Discussions
- Next Steps
- Q&A



What is a Comprehensive Plan?

Project Purpose

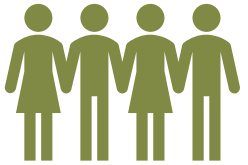
- Community-guided vision for growth and preservation over the next 20 years
- Showcase of assets and areas for improvements
- Practical roadmap to achieve identified vision and goals
- Coordinates local planning efforts
- Fulfills State of Maryland requirement



What is in a Comprehensive Plan?

Topics to be explored in PlanQAC

Community Vision



Demographics



Community Facilities
& Services



Land Use



Environmental
Resources



Transportation



Historic & Cultural
Resources



Economic
Development



Housing



Town Planning



Community Plans



Relationships between Plans

COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

- Community-guided vision for growth and preservation in the County over the next 10-20 years
- Showcase County's assets and areas for improvements
- Practical roadmap to achieve identified County vision and goals
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COMMUNITY PLANS

- Geographic focus on the specific community/planning area
- Part of the County Comprehensive Plan
- Community vision, goals, objectives, policies, and plans for future community development
- Consistent with vision and goals of the County Comprehensive Plan
- Consistent with Maryland Visions



Why Update the Comprehensive and Community Plans?

Project Purpose

- Things in the natural and built environment change
- Local priorities and vision change with time
- New data have been collected and released
- New issues and opportunities arise
- Strategies to achieve identified vision and goals have to be adjusted
- Time since last adoption
 - County Comprehensive Plan – 11 years old (2010)
 - Chester/Stevensville Community Plan – 14 years old (2007)
 - Grasonville Community Plan – 11 years old (2010)
 - Kent Narrows Community Plan – 15 years old (2006)



How are Elements Addressed/Updated?



Update Existing Plan &
Conditions

Incorporate New Vision,
Goals & Objectives

Create New Implementation
Strategies



Project Scope

What is the process of updating a comprehensive plan?



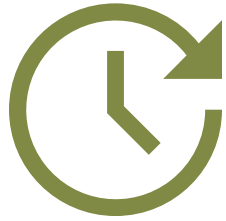


How are you involved?

Community Engagement + Input = Success



Community
Survey



Visioning
Workshops



Special Topic
Workshops



Questions of
the Week



Public
Comment





COMMUNITY PLAN DISCUSSIONS



Community Plans

What's included?

- Community Profile
 - Planning Area & Regional Context
 - Population & Demographics
 - Land Use
 - Economic Development
 - Housing
 - Community Facilities & Services
 - Environmental Resources
 - Transportation
 - Historic & Cultural Resources
- Vision, Guiding Principles & Goals
- Planning Recommendations & Implementation Strategies
- Maps



CHESTER/STEVENSVILLE COMMUNITY PLAN DISCUSSION



Discussion #CS-1: Updated Vision

Existing

The vision for the Chester/Stevensville Community Planning Area is to will provide that families of all income levels are able to obtain secure affordable housing, maintain decent employment, have useful and safe transportation modes, select from a variety of community parks, recreation, and educational opportunities, and maintain the environmental health of their neighborhoods.

Potential Update

The Chester/Stevensville Community will provide opportunities for families of all shapes, sizes, and income levels to:

- Obtain secure, affordable housing
- Maintain decent employment and education
- Access useful, safe, and varied transportation options
- Enjoy a variety of park, recreation, and historic/cultural facilities
- Preserve the community's environmental resources and become resilient in the face of climate change impacts.



Discussion #CS-2: What We've Heard

- Affordable Housing
- Community Connectivity
- Emphasize Quality of Life
- Encourage Small/Local/Independent Businesses
- Entry-Level Housing
- Health/Condition of Bay & Waterways
- Lack of Youth Activities
- Limited Medical Facilities
- Potential Third Bay Bridge Span
- Public Access
- Resiliency in Face of Climate Change & Rising Sea Levels
- Roadway Infrastructure
- Sewer Capacity
- Sprawl & High-Density Growth
- Traffic
- Vibrant & Walkable Downtown
- Waterway Importance
- Workforce Development



GRASONVILLE COMMUNITY PLAN DISCUSSION



Discussion #G-1: Updated Vision

Existing

The plan's intent is to put forth a strategy for responsible growth that recognizes the character of the area and the needs of its citizens, now and in the future. Its underlying premise is that with forward thinking and community involvement, the quality of life for Grasonville's citizens can be enhanced while accommodating the area's growth and development.

Potential Update

With forward thinking and community involvement, Grasonville will:

- Embody responsible growth that recognizes the character of the area and the needs of its citizens, now and in the future
- Enhance the quality of life for its citizens, while accommodating the area's appropriate growth and development
- Protect its open areas, natural resources, and scenic beauty
- Provide for increased connectivity
- Encourage a balance between the needs of local residents, employees, and visitors to the community



Discussion #G-2: What We've Heard

- Affordable Housing
- Attract High Value Jobs
- Built Environment Aesthetics
- Diversify Housing Types/Communities
- Farmland & Agricultural Protection
- Improve Green Spaces
- Incentivize Mixed-use Buildings
- Leverage Travelers
- Litter Problems
- Keep Small Town Feeling
- Maintain/Enhance Quality of Life
- Natural Resource & Open Area Protection
- Responsible Growth
- Revitalize Main Street & Vacant Businesses
- Sea Level Rise Susceptibility
- Sidewalks & Pedestrian/Bike Connectivity
- Traffic
- Trail Extension/Connectivity
- Waterway Health
- Workforce Education & Development



KENT NARROWS COMMUNITY PLAN DISCUSSION



Discussion #KN-1: Updated Vision

Existing

The shared community vision hopes to establish Kent Narrows as a year-round destination for visitors and local residents while highlighting the heritage of the traditional working waterfront character.

Potential Update

The shared community vision for Kent Narrows hopes to:

- Establish the area as a year-round destination for local residents and visitors
- Highlight community history and the heritage of the traditional working waterfront and its character
- Balance appropriate economic growth and community redevelopment
- Expand public access to the waterfront and its amenities and increase trail connectivity
- Preserve environmentally sensitive areas



Discussion #KN-2: What We've Heard

- Area Investment
- Balance Preservation & Community Development Goals
- Coastal Resilience
- Coordinate Waterway Activities & Special Events
- Gateway Signage
- High Tax & Infrastructure Costs
- Importance of KN as a Community, Not Just Tourist Attraction
- Lack of Varied Activities
- Local Transportation Options
- Parking Capacity/Location
- Preserve/Enhance Waterfront Character & Heritage
- Preserve the Natural Environment
- Provide Community Center/Conference Facility
- Redevelop Underutilized Property
- Revisit Zoning Code & Requirements
- Safe Bike & Ped Facilities/Connections
- Traffic
- Water/Sewer Capacity



OTHER GENERAL COMMENTS?

Q&A



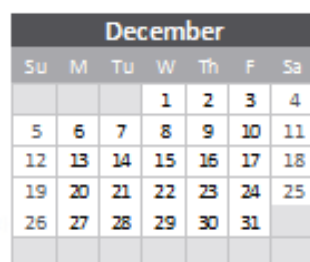
NEXT STEPS



Next Steps

- Check out PlanQAC website
- Sign up for project updates
- Respond to Questions of the Week
- Attend future workshops and meetings
- Provide comments on document drafts through the website
- Tell your friends and family!
- **Continue to send us comments or questions!**

SCHEDULE



■ Planning Commission Workshops	Open to public. Part of regular meeting.
■ Visioning Workshops	All workshops open to public. Being held virtually.
■ Special Topic Workshops	All workshops open to public. Being held virtually.
■ County Commissioners Meetings	Open to public. Specifics TBD.

Technical Committee (working sessions with County Staff) are also being held.

Dates may change at the direction of QAC Staff or Planning Commission.
Bi-weekly schedule updates will be issued noting any changes to the schedule.

https://www.qacplan2021.com

Latest Plan QAC Events Scheduled

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY
Comprehensive Plan Update - Plan QAC 2021

Home About Resources Get Involved FAQ Contact/Feedback

Upcoming Meetings Join Mailing List Question of the Week Draft Documents

Upcoming Events!

Special Topic Workshop:
May 5

Planning Commission Meeting:
Status update and review of Economic Development & Tourism chapter.
May 13

MORE INFO



THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!



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