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**PLANNING BOARD**

**Memorandum**

To: Westwood Residents

From: Abby McCabe, Town Planner  
Planning Board Members

Date: December 18, 2018

Re: Request for Comments on the Open Space and Recreation Plan Update

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In the fall of 2017, Westwood began the process of updating its Open Space & Recreation Plan (OSRP) by appointing an Open Space & Recreation Plan Committee comprised of representatives from several town boards and committees, local organizations, and at-large resident representatives. The Committee worked with a consultant in 2018 to update data and propose new goals based on community input. In November 2018, the Committee forwarded a draft plan to the Planning Board. The Planning Board received the draft plan in early December 2018 and will hold a continued public hearing on **Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 7:00 pm at 50 Carby Street**. The Plan looks at Westwood's current land, demographics, current trends, and sets goals, strategies, and makes recommendations to protect open space and recreation resources in Westwood. Completing an Open Space & Recreation Plan every several years provides a guide for future Town decisions pertaining to open space and recreation and makes the Town eligible for grants to purchase land for open space and develop recreation facilities. The Planning Board will review and finalize the Open Space and Recreation Plan before forwarding the Plan to the Board of Selectmen for consideration of endorsement by Town Meeting. Please review the plan, attend the public hearing, and provide comments to the Planning Board. You may attend the hearing or send comments in writing to the Town Planner at [amccabe@townhall.westwood.ma.us](mailto:amccabe@townhall.westwood.ma.us).

The complete Plan is available for viewing on the Planning Board's Current Application Page and on the [Open Space & Recreation Plan Committee's](#) page. Find it here: [www.westwoodpermit.org](http://www.westwoodpermit.org)

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