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## The Blue Mountains Future Story: Phase 1 Print Survey

The Town of The Blue Mountains is creating a Community Sustainability Plan [CSP] to help our town and its residents, workers and visitors thrive for generations to come. We're calling this The Blue Mountains Future Story. We want to hear your ideas on ways we can make the most of what we love about The Blue Mountains and our community while supporting changes that make life here even better.

A CSP helps to shape local decision making by providing a clear path to making the future as bright as it can be. The plan will focus on four key areas of sustainability. These four 'chapters' will help us write the story of our future:

- Social issues
- Environmental considerations
- Economic considerations
- Cultural issues

The Blue Mountains Future Story will complement the other planning processes currently being undertaken by the Town to ensure we have a clear approach to meeting local priorities and making the most of our community's gifts.

### 1. What are the best things about The Blue Mountains?

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### 2. What changes would make our community even better?

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**3. Please rank the following aspects of the The Blue Mountains that make the community unique in order of importance (1 being most important and 12 being least important).**

- Natural features including the Georgian Bay Shoreline, the Niagara Escarpment, Nipissing Ridge, etc.
- Active recreation and eco-tourism draws in the community (ski resorts and clubs, trails for cycling and hiking in the Niagara Escarpment, and sailing in Georgian Bay, etc.)
- Strong ties between local area services and businesses (Owen Sound, Meaford and Collingwood) including transportation, business, and employment connections
- The rural lifestyle
- Small town, village and hamlet feel and connection between neighbours
- Agricultural opportunities
- The Town's location and relationship with the Greater Toronto Area (GTA)
- A mix of residents who are both full-time and seasonal
- A diverse mix of businesses, including products, experiences, and services
- Arts and culture scene, including public programs and commercial creativity and galleries
- Local government that develops ties between community needs and municipal services
- Other

**4. In your opinion, what else makes the Town of The Blue Mountains unique?**

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**5. How would you describe life today in the Town of The Blue Mountains in 100 words or less?**

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**6. What type of resident do you consider yourself?**

- Full-time, Year Round
- Part-time, 6 Months - 11 Months
- Seasonal, 6 Months or Less
- Flex, Live in the Town but work outside of the community
- I do not live in The Blue Mountains

**7. Where is your property located in the Town of The Blue Mountains?**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Banks                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Lora Bay         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue Mountain Village               | <input type="checkbox"/> Loree            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camperdown                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Osler            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Castle Glen                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Ravenna          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clarksburg                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Red Wing         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Craigeleith                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandhill         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Duncan                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Slabtown         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Egypt                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Swiss Meadows    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gibraltar                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Thornbury        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heathcote                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Victoria Corners |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kolapore                            |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I do not live in The Blue Mountains |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify _____)        |   |

**8. Including yourself, how many people currently live in your household?**

- I do not live in the Town of The Blue Mountains
- 1-2 people
- 3-4 people
- More than 5 people

**9. Please select the option that best describes yourself. I am responding to this survey as a \_\_\_\_\_.**

- Town of The Blue Mountains Resident (full-time/part-time, property owner, renter)
- Business owner in the Town of The Blue Mountains
- Both a resident and a business owner
- Working in the Town of The Blue Mountains but living elsewhere
- Visitor (Where are you visiting from?) Please indicate in the 'other' box below
- Other (please specify \_\_\_\_\_)

**10. What is your age?**

- Under 18
- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65+

**Thank You!**

Submit this questionnaire by February 26, 2021

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RE: The Blue Mountains Future Story