

New Hope Borough

Comprehensive Plan Update

Planning Commission Meeting
6/8/26



Agenda

1. Project Status & Meeting Objectives
2. Plan Framework & Structure
3. Community Priorities & Opportunities
4. Future Land Use & Other Next Steps

Project Status



Phase 1 - Information Gathering

Resident Survey

Borough Administration and Officials Workshop



Phase 2 - Workshop Series

Workshop 1: Identifying Community Issues

Workshop 2A: Organizing Teams and Visioning

Workshop 2B: Organizing Teams and Visioning

Workshop 3A: Solutions and Choices

Workshop 3B: Solutions and Choices



Phase 3 - Plan Development

BCPC Plan Development

Workshop 4: Building Capacity (Draft Plan Review)

Final Draft Development

Open House

Council Review/Adoption

We are here

Questions We Need to Answer

- ✓ Does the overall **framework** make sense?
- ✓ Are we focused on the right **Community Priorities** and **Opportunities**?
- ✓ Are there any major gaps that need to be addressed?
- ✓ Can we move forward with **Future Land Use** and **Implementation** Chapters

How the Plan is Organized



An Implementable, Issue-Based Plan

Issue-Based

- Organized around community priorities
- Focused on key issues identified through engagement
- Not intended to be an encyclopedia of every planning topic

Implementable

- Opportunities
- Priority Actions
- Implementation Matrix
- Emphasis on achievable next steps

Adaptable

- Living document
- Annual review
- Scorecard
- Ongoing stewardship

Community Priorities & Opportunities



**Historic
Preservation**



**Business
Development &
Tourism**



**Access to
Open Space &
The Outdoor
Environment**



**Bicycle &
Pedestrian Safety**



**Traffic & Parking
Management**



**Growth Management
& Affordability**



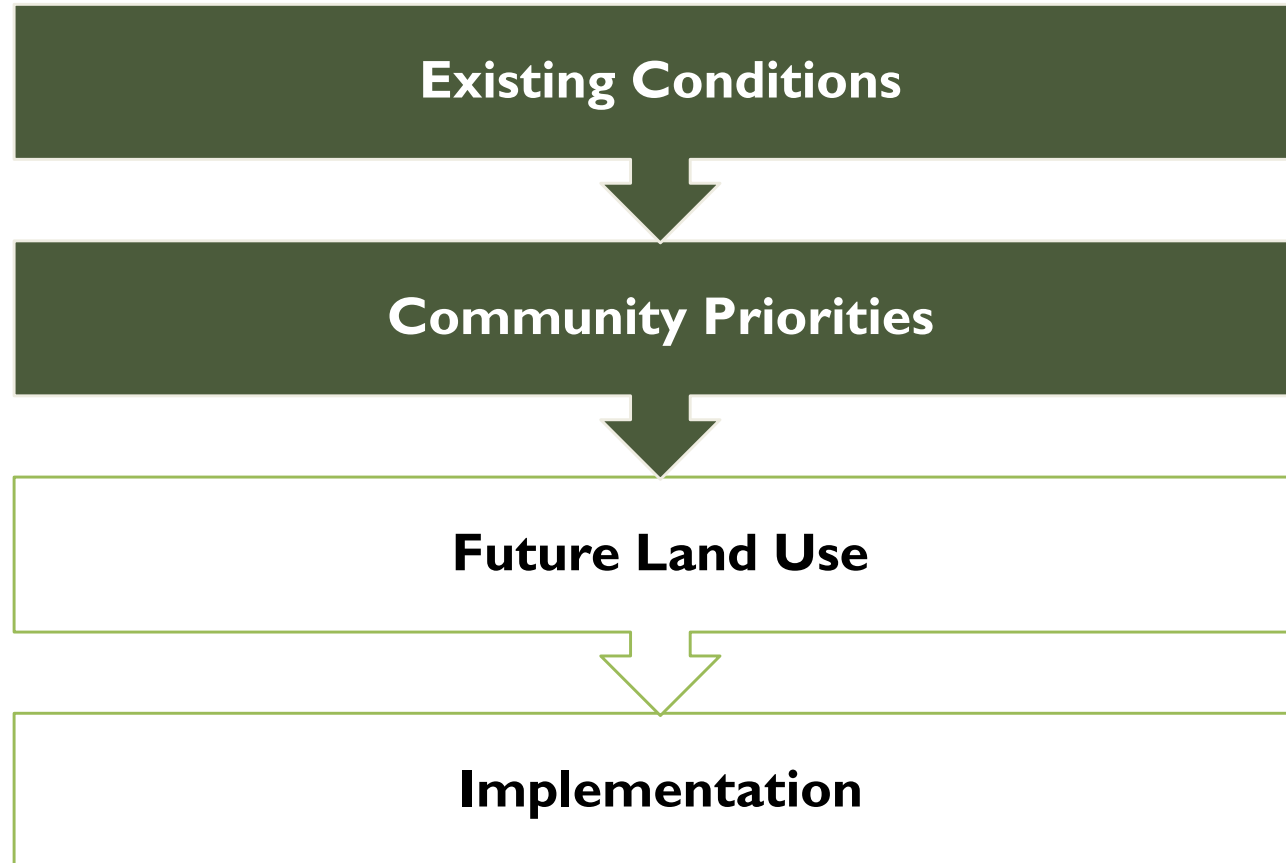
**Planning for a
Changing Climate**

Community Priorities & Opportunities

Community Priority	Key Opportunity Themes
Historic Preservation	Historic character, stewardship, reinvestment, preservation guidance, heritage interpretation
Business Development & Tourism	Economic vitality, business diversity, visitor experience, downtown activity, year-round vibrancy
Access to Open Space & Outdoor Environment	Connectivity, recreation, environmental resources, public access, quality of life
Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety	Safety, accessibility, connectivity, walkability, multimodal mobility
Traffic & Parking Management	Traffic operations, parking utilization, wayfinding, circulation, regional coordination
Growth Management & Affordability	Housing choice, affordability, context-sensitive growth, neighborhood compatibility
Planning for a Changing Climate	Resilience, flooding, environmental stewardship, infrastructure preparedness, community adaptation

- 1. Are we focused on the right priorities?***
- 2. Do the opportunity themes accurately reflect what we heard throughout the planning process?***
- 3. Is there anything significant missing?***
- 4. Do these priorities & opportunities provide a solid foundation for the Future Land Use chapter?***

Future Land Use: The Next Step



Remaining Plan Elements

Future Land Use Chapter

- **Map & Opportunity Areas**

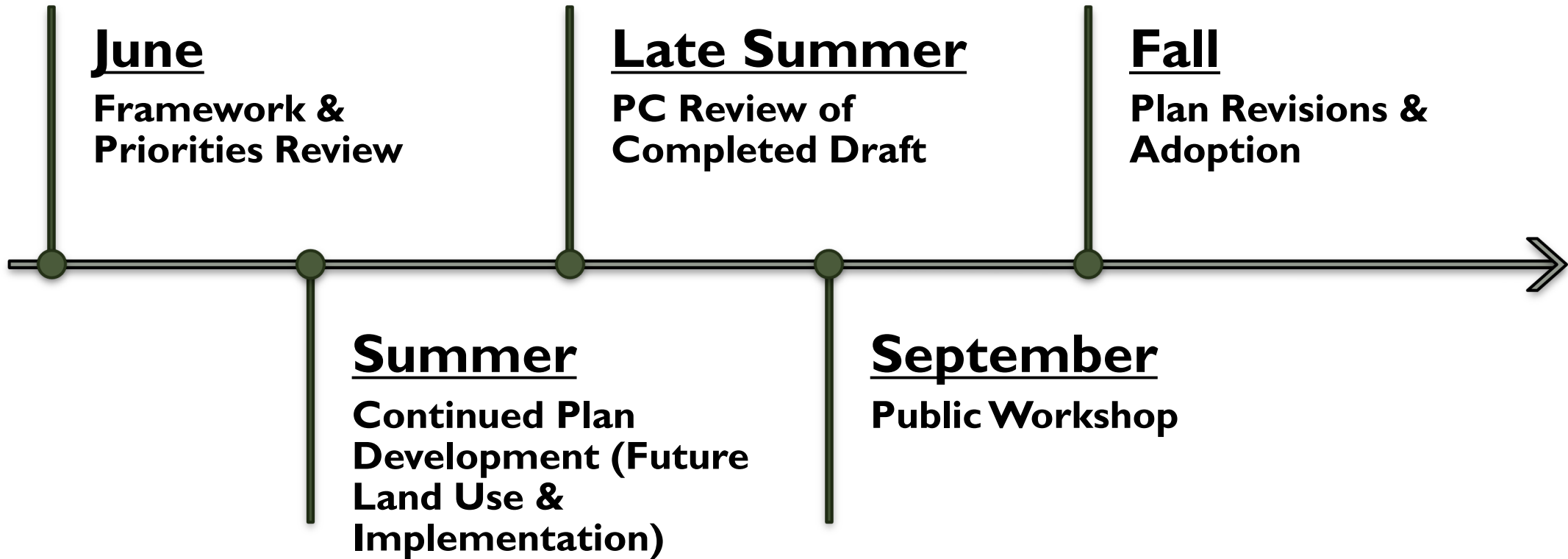
Implementation & Stewardship

- **Final implementation matrix**

Graphics & Visuals

- **Remaining maps**
- **Photosims**
- **Supporting graphics**

Proposed Path Forward



Immediate Next Steps

- ✓ **After Tonight...**
 - ✓ Continue review of draft document
 - ✓ Submit detailed comments to Lou **by June 30th**, who will compile and send to BCPC
 - ✓ BCPC will complete Future Land Use and Implementation chapters; and incorporate comments from PC.
- ✓ **PC Review of Complete Draft (August)**
 - ✓ Review Future Land Use and Implementation Chapters
 - ✓ Confirm readiness for public workshop (September)