

GETTING AROUND

Understanding issues regarding getting around the township is crucial to envisioning a safe and viable circulation network. Whether by car, bus, bicycle, or foot, the success of Plumstead's transportation system directly impacts residents' quality of life.

The purpose of this workshop is to understand the issues and visions discussed in the previous workshops, and to consult with the subject matter experts to create solutions for the future of Plumstead's transportation network.



PRINCIPLES:

1. **Safe Streets for All**—Prioritize safety for all, examine dangerous intersections for motor vehicle traffic, create safety standards for cyclists, and design a pedestrian network that allows for safe travel on foot.
2. **Provide Resources**—Bridge the gap between resident roadway concerns, the township's responsibilities, and PennDOT.
3. **Manage Traffic Flow**—Manage congestion to create a smooth flow of traffic.
4. **Scenic Roads**—Create a peaceful environment along scenic roads for all to enjoy.
5. **Connect Neighborhoods**—Accommodate both pedestrians and cyclists, and have trails that serve the purpose of getting from here to there.



- Protect Plumsteadville from being ruined by PennDOT with four lane highway
- Need zoning ord provision to regulate setbacks on scenic roads
 - Also applies to historic villages etc.
- #3 affects #1 in village centers – traffic needs to be slowed there
- Village centers need retail on first floor with residences above to create “safe” towns (#1)
- Can the township or PennDOT change out older cobrahead street lights (Ferry Rd, east end of Twp) for newer LED sky lights? With warmer color temperatures? Who would do this? How can we make this happen?

WHAT WE HEARD...

connect communities
 municipal trail system speeding concerns
 condition of roadways lack of visibility at intersections
 impacts of development reliable public transit noise pollution
 walkable trails safer roads scenic and rural roads
 convenience of 611 traffic congestion
 cyclist safety



SOLUTIONS & STRATEGIES

- Address speeding and noise concerns along scenic roads, such as Tohickon Hill Road, River Road, and Point Pleasant Pike.
- Create resources for residents to understand the difference between state and township roads and which entity is responsible for maintenance. Bring more PennDOT resources to the residents, or have the township act as a liaison for residents when dealing with state road concerns.
- Enact safety measures for the dangerous left turn on to Point Pleasant Pike from Old Easton Road.



- Improve intersection at Easton Rd and Haring Rd/Curly Hill Rd for safety
- Improve intersection at Stump Road and Easton Road with turn lanes from Stump Road (realignment of intersection)
- Truck traffic management for future warehouse development (such as Buckingham 150,000 sq ft warehouse with possible 90 18-wheeler vehicles, including employee traffic (possible 300 employees))
- Need real coordination between planning and zoning boards relative to updating codes to work together to improve intersections and sidewalks for new developments to look ahead to the future and density (web link on township page to BCPC or PennDOT to voice concerns about congested intersections)
- Speed humps/bumps on Stump Road as you approach 611 and Stump and possible side streets like German
- No traffic circles
- Talk to community before trying to make Plumstead like Doylestown (ie the Village Overlay we voted down)
- Be more considerate of SALDO regulations to prevent construction of ADA-accessible sidewalks/crosswalks that don't go anywhere (like into a bush or a wall) ex: Christopher Day Rd and across from CVS Ferry Road
- Use PennDOT regulations regarding standards for traffic controls as a reason for NOT permitting more development (see we would love to have 200 more townhomes, but we can't update all those intersections to PennDOT standards) /satire