

## Referendum 2021 Q&A

### ROADS 2021

Where are sidewalks on Abbe going South or North at intersection – 270 Abbe (8/9/21 Update)

The limits of the proposed sidewalk project on Abbe Road is from Town Farm Road to Broad Brook Road, the breakdown is as follows:

- Install new concrete sidewalks from Town Farm Road to Bobolink Ln.
- Replace existing asphalt sidewalks with new concrete sidewalks from Bobolink Ln to Wallop School Rd intersection.
- Replace existing asphalt sidewalks with new concrete sidewalks from Hummingbird Ln to Broad Brook Rd intersection.

In front of 270 Abbe Roads there are existing concrete sidewalks that are to remain.

#### Holly Lane

As stated in the Council Meeting on June 21, 2021, the proposed construction schedule is very preliminary. If the referendum passes in November, the street list for repairs will be shared with the utility companies (water, gas, electric, cable, sewer, etc.). Should their lines need upgrades/replacements, their work will need to occur before ours. Therefore, the proposed schedule will most likely be adjusted to accommodate the utilities' work first.

Since the referendum is in November 2021, the first year of the program will be shorter plus the roads will need design/permits/revisions/bid process/contract, etc., thus the construction work will start late Summer/early Fall 2022. Therefore, to get the most benefits in the first year, the Engineering Office is proposing to address arterials/collectors first, i.e., Pavement Preservation Year 1 (PP1), Moody Rd & Cranberry Blvd.

#### Circle Drive

Neither Oakwood nor Woodland are in the street list or ancillary list. According to the 2018 Road Survey, Oakwood from GW Road to 1075' E. of GW road the PCI is 100 & from 1075' E. of GW Road to Woodland the PCI is 64. Woodland Street has a PCI of 70.

#### Buchanan Road

Buchanan Road was reconstructed 14 years ago. The road is holding up well.

#### Arbor Road

In the case of Arbor & Webster Roads, the sidewalks will be removed from one side of the road, and fully rehabilitated on the other side. The Terry Brook culvert in Arbor Road will be inspected and addressed if need to.

What does the asterisk signify for the 1st item, ABBE RD.-SIDEWALKS?

The asterisk signifies that this section of Abbe Road only has sidewalk work proposed.

The description for the Abbe Rd.-Sidewalks implies the entire length of Abbe Rd. from Bobolink to Rt. 191 are proposed to be replaced yet, the sidewalks in this section are scattered, i.e., hit & miss. So, will the entire length be “replaced” including the areas where there is no sidewalk?

Based on Town Council directive, the sidewalk gaps will be filled with concrete sidewalks and the existing bituminous walks will be replaced with concrete sidewalks. The existing concrete sidewalks on Abbe Road, between Bobolink and Rt. 191, will only be replaced if they are in poor condition.

It makes no sense to “replace”, including installing sidewalks where there are none, and not install sidewalks from Bobolink to Town Farm Rd., an additional approx. 800 ft., to connect this section of Abbe Rd. to Town Farm Rd. to connect to the walking/biking path on Town Farm Rd.

There was a typo in the presentation, we are planning to install sidewalks from Town Farm Road to Bobolink.

Why does Cranbrook Blvd. have a PCI of 54? The road doesn't seem that bad except for the occasional flooding. Moody Rd. from Elm St. to N. Maple St. is rated at 60 yet that section is in worst shape than Cranbrook.

The PCI ratings are done by the Town's consultant pavement experts.

## **Recreation**

Are splash pads at schools open during school hours?

Hours and days of operations will be determined once the locations of the new splash pads are determined. Splash pads can operate on a timer.

Are we charging for use of splash pads?

The Town Council will consider a fee schedule after conducting an analysis.

## **Roofs**

## **Regional Public Safety Complex**