

# **GREEN SPACES, NATURAL RESOURCES, WATER & BIODIVERSITY**

Set % goal for local food grown in area

Freight farms – locally grown food in shipping containers

School & community gardens

- Grow vegetables
- “Tod morden! Think bigger”
- Connect gardening with food pantry (harvest share day?)

Building beds for veggies on private land

- Pair homeowners with gardeners looking for space

Protein from small animals raise locally

- Chickens, rabbits, etc.

Create sustainable pollinator landscape guidelines & policy

Native plant species (xeriscaping) & pollinator support

Invasive species management

Pesticide management (natural, IMP solutions)

Carbon sequestration

- Plant thousands of trees!!
- Build up healthy soil (e.g., composting)

Use community compost for local landscapes

Composting: local drop-off stations

- Bicycle & micro-mode pick-up

Use International Living Future Institute ILFI “Living Community Challenge” as guide/standard & integrate with all feasibility & planning

## **GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE INCLUDING CLIMATE ADAPTION**

- **ESPECIALLY INVEST IN STREET TREES & TREE CANOPY**
- **PRIORITIZE VULNERABLE POPULATION/HOT SPOT AREAS**
- Add more informal cooling zoning centers with large businesses/intuitions

More green spaces + improved park maintenance

- **USE RAINWATER FOR WATERING-PUBLICIZE RAIN BARREL PROGRAM**

Encourage permeable driveways – create “depave” group to pull up asphalt in Brookline

- And streets?
- **AND TOWN PARCELS**
- **PRIORITIZE AREAS TO REDUCE FLOODING**

**DEVELOP DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR DEVELOPERS & RESIDENTS REGARDING GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE & LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT**

**PROVIDE UPDATED TRAINING FOR TOWN STAFF TO IMPLEMENT NEW GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGIES (E.G., UNH STORMWATER CENTER)**

**CONSIDER EXPANDING BY-LAWS RELATED IN FLOODPLAIN TO INCLUDE DOCUMENTED AREAS OF FLOODING (E.G., BRAINTREE) OUTSIDE OF FEMA FLOOD ZONES**

**ASSESS MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES FOR GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE/LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT RETROFITS (POSSIBLE RESOURCE: MAPD)**

**ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO CAPTURE/INFILTRATE RAINWATER WITH RAIN BARRELS, LANDSCAPING & PERVIOUS PAVEMENT**