# Tasks from the Town Plan Implementation Plan that are assigned to the Planning Commission.

# Only tasks with multiple groups assigned are noted

(tasks with no assignment noted are assigned solely to the Planning Commission)

**Group I** – This group consists of task associated with housing and related needs including businesses (jobs), childcare, and circulation (cars, trucks, bikes, walking).

Identify steps that can be taken to meet the childcare needs of Bristol.

Item 3, The Community, Education & Childcare, 1-3 years

ACRPC Review Recommendation: In order to better understand this challenge, in the next planning cycle, it may be beneficial to survey residents of their childcare needs and how/where they meet these needs currently (or if they can)/what would be ideal moving forward.

This chapter could also list places outside of Bristol that Bristol residents depend on – in Hinesburg, New Haven, Vergennes, Middlebury etc.

**Related task:** Support the Mt Abe Unified School District (MAUSD) in determining the 5-town future school structure. Assigned to the Selectboard

Assess the needs of small to mid-size commercial and light-industrial businesses that are compatible with the character of the town.

ACRPC Review Recommendation: For future planning cycles it would be advantageous to survey services needed by small and home-based businesses and to inventory the types of home-based businesses in Bristol. Telecommuting and telecommunication infrastructure needs and provisions could also be mentioned further within the utilities chapter.

Conduct a Housing Study to identify the housing needs of the Bristol community and review the impacts of short-term rentals on current housing stock.

Item 1, The People, Population & Housing, 3 years

**ACRPC Review Recommendation:** Consider pursuing a Neighborhood Development Area for areas of the Village adjacent to the designated downtown to provide additional incentives for residential development in the Village.

**ACRPC Review Recommendation:** Your plan speaks about using PUDs more effectively, but I understand that the town may be having problems implementing them. What can the Planning commission do to help make PUDs work well?

Continue efforts to make the town and village pedestrian and bicycle-friendly and accessible to people with disabilities.

**Related task:** Nominate a Bristol representative to sit on the Walk-Bike Council of Addison County to foster safe and accessible opportunities for walking and cycling as an alternative to single occupancy vehicles.

Assigned to the Selectboard, Energy Committee

Work with adjacent towns, local groups, state agencies and willing landowners to develop low environmental impact biking and hiking trails that promote access to natural resource areas.

Item 4, The Community, Natural Resources & Forest Blocks, ongoing, assigned to the Planning Commission, Conservation Commission

## **Group II** – This group consists of activities for risk reduction of streams and rivers.

Maintain adequate stream bank buffers and existing setbacks that recognize the dynamic nature of the New Haven River Item 7, The Community, Flood Resilience, 3 years

Consider river corridor conservation and protection measures to decrease flood erosion losses and increase flood resiliency and discourage additional infrastructure in the river corridor area.

Item 8, The Community, Flood Resilience, 5 years, assigned to the Planning Commission, Conservation Commission, Selectboard

#### **Group III** – This group consists of task related to assuring regulation is consistent with the Town Plan

Review all existing zones and conform zoning changes to the adopted Town Plan.

Item 1, Land Use and Planning, Land Use and Planning, 3 years

Update Zoning/Unified Development Regulations to allow a variety of housing types to accommodate all segments of the community.

Item 2, The People, Population & Housing, 5 years

## Group IV - This group consists of tasks relating to public amenities and preservation of open land

Identify significant public scenic resources.

Item 2, The Community, Scenic, Historic, & Cultural Resources, 5 years, assigned to Planning Commission, Conservation Commission

Evaluate opportunities to conserve lands with high natural resource value, especially those adjacent to town-owned or already conserved properties, through purchase in fee simple or funding of conservation easements.

Item 5, The Community, Natural Resources & Forest Blocks, ongoing, assigned to the Planning Commission, Conservation Commission

Maintain inventory of significant historic structures, sites, and districts.

Item 1, The Community, Scenic, Historic, & Cultural Resources, Ongoing

Strive to maintain and improve public access to the New Haven River, Baldwin Creek and Bristol Pond.

Item 1, The Community, Natural Resources & Forest Blocks, ongoing, assigned to Planning Commission, Conservation Commission

## **Group V** – This group consists of tasks related to best use of energy sources.

Work toward implementing the goals and policies as described in the Enhanced Energy Plan to help meet the State's 2016 Comprehensive Energy Plan targets.

Item 1, The Community, Energy, ongoing, assigned to the Selectboard, Planning Commission, Energy Committee