

Community Housing Forum Feedback Summary

Brentwood Housing Opportunity Planning (HOP) Grant

June 30, 2025



Overview of the May Community Housing Forum

On Thursday, May 15, 2025, the Town of Brentwood’s Planning Board hosted a Community Housing Forum from 5:00–7:00 PM at the Brentwood Recreation Center. This public engagement event was focused on work completed during the town’s second Housing Opportunity Planning (HOP) Grant. The event was set up as an interactive open house rather than a formal presentation or meeting. Informational posters were arranged around the room, including educational materials on Brentwood’s housing needs and outcomes from the 2023 HOP grant (such as the Master Plan Housing Chapter update and survey results), as well as background on workforce housing requirements in the State of New Hampshire.

Additional posters introduced potential housing tools and development types identified through the first HOP grant effort—such as cluster subdivisions, accessory dwelling units (ADUs), multifamily housing, and workforce housing—to help spark conversation and gather feedback. Attendees were given a packet of questions tied to each housing type/tool, as well as a demographic questionnaire. A companion online version of the forum was also made available, featuring the same questions and posters as the in-person event, and this online option was open for a month and a half following the forum.

Community Housing Forum Takeaways

- Forum and Survey participation was primarily made up of long-term Brentwood homeowners, with few renters or non-owners represented. Most participants identified as residents and property owners, reflecting a high level of personal investment in the community’s future.
- Feedback on Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) revealed a divide between those seeking housing flexibility, and those concerned about environmental strain and rural character. Support for ADUs often centered on enabling multigenerational living and housing for priced-out residents, while opposition focused on limiting rental activity and protecting natural resources.
- Responses on Multi-Family Housing emphasized strong opposition to high-density development, and a desire to limit or prohibit zoning changes that would allow apartments or similar forms of housing. Concerns about multi-family development frequently referenced the lack of public water and sewer systems and potential impacts on Brentwood’s infrastructure and rural identity.
- Respondents strongly favored maintaining Brentwood’s rural character and expressed concern that loosening cluster subdivision regulations, offering density bonuses, or requiring this development type would lead to overdevelopment, environmental harm,

and a loss of the town's identity. While there was some support for single-family homes and modest housing options within cluster subdivisions, feedback reflected a clear preference for preserving open space, limiting density, and avoiding incentives that could promote unwanted growth or urban-style development.

- Regarding Workforce Housing, many participants expressed opposition to the concept, emphasizing personal responsibility and stating that Brentwood is not the right place for such housing due to its rural nature. While some acknowledged the legal need to comply with New Hampshire's workforce housing law, support focused on meeting minimum requirements without promoting new development.
- Repeated themes across topics included preserving Brentwood's rural identity, protecting natural resources, and resisting higher-density development patterns.
- Other comments reflected frustration with repeated surveys and outreach efforts, indicating skepticism about whether past community input was being respected.

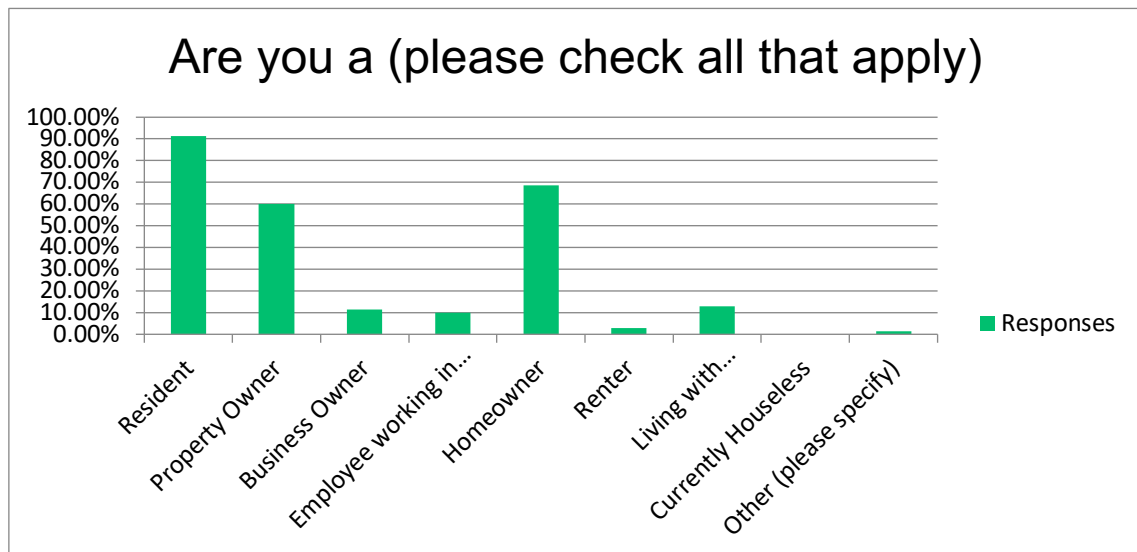
Who Attended the Forum?

Total Responses

- A **total of 44 participants** attended the in-person forum
- A **total of 80 participants** completed the forum housing questionnaire or the online tool.
- **The majority of respondents identified as Brentwood residents (91%) and homeowners (69%), with 60% also reporting that they own property in town.** Smaller shares identified as **living with family or friends (13%), business owners (11%), or employees working in Brentwood (10%). Only 3% reported being renters,** and no respondents identified as currently houseless.

Answered: 70

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- Most respondents reported **having lived in Brentwood for more than 10 years (76%)**, while **21% had lived in town for less than 10 years**, and **3% indicated they do not live in Brentwood.**

Answered: 70

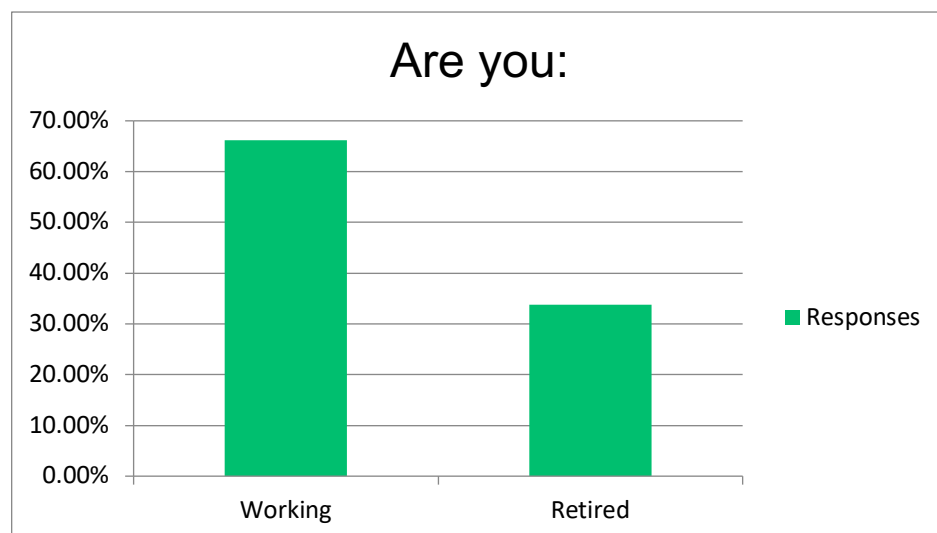
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- Of the 68 respondents who answered, **two-thirds (66%) reported that they are currently working**, while roughly **one-third (34%) indicated they are retired.**

Answered: 70

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What We Heard about Housing.

Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)

Would you support modifying Brentwood's existing Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) regulations to allow for greater property owner flexibility and new rental opportunities in Town?

Answered: 78

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- Just over half (**53%**) of respondents indicated support for modifying Brentwood's existing Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) regulations to allow for greater flexibility and rental opportunities. About **46%** did not support changes to the current regulations, and **1%** were unsure.

Why or Why not?

Answered: 78

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The following themes emerged based on reoccurrence:

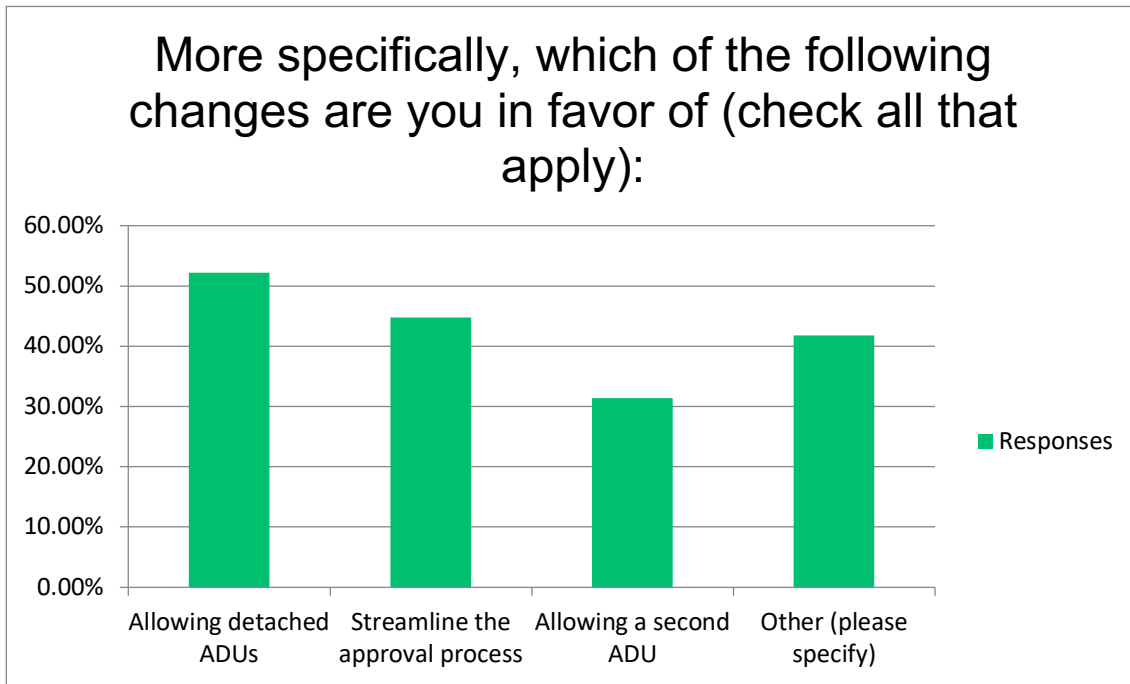
- **Mixed opinions emerged**, with respondents divided between those seeking greater housing flexibility and those focused on preserving Brentwood's rural character and environmental capacity.
- **Support for ADUs as a way to increase housing affordability**, particularly for young adults, employees, and retirees who are priced out of the current housing market.
- **Interest in enabling multigenerational living**, with ADUs seen as a tool to support aging parents or adult children without needing to subdivide property.
- **Calls to allow detached ADUs or more than one unit per lot** on large properties, as long as local oversight and design guidelines are in place.
- **Concerns about maintaining Brentwood's rural character**, with opposition to increasing rental activity, detached units, and development perceived as incompatible with the town's identity.
- **Environmental concerns** about the strain ADUs could place on private wells, aquifers, and septic systems in a town without public water or sewer infrastructure.
- **Worries about long-term impacts on town services**, including increased demand on schools, emergency services, and infrastructure if ADU use expands.
- **Desire to limit ADUs to family use only**, with some opposing their use for rental income and advocating for locally defined rules rather than relying solely on state mandates.

**More specifically, which of the following changes are you in favor of (check all that apply):
Allowing detached ADUs, Streamline the approval process, Allowing a second ADU, or Other
(please specify)**

Answered: 67

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- **52%** of respondents **supported allowing detached ADUs**, **45%** favored **streamlining the approval process**, and **31%** supported **allowing a second ADU on a property**. About **42%** selected **“Other”** and provided additional suggestions or comments.



- Of the **28 respondents who selected “Other”** and provided written responses, the majority expressed one of two recurring themes:
 - **Strong opposition to ADU expansion or regulatory changes** – Opposing respondents stated they do not support allowing detached units, streamlining the approval process, or permitting additional ADUs. Comments emphasized keeping current rules in place or making them more restrictive.
 - **Concern about protecting Brentwood’s rural character and natural resources** – Respondents frequently cited worries about overdevelopment, impacts on wells and aquifers, and preserving the town’s open space and small-town identity.

General Feedback and Questions:

Answered: 24

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Key Themes from General Comments and Feedback

- **Preserving Brentwood’s Rural Character**
Comments consistently emphasized a desire to keep Brentwood rural. Respondents referenced past surveys and forums where similar feedback was given and expressed frustration that the issue continues to be revisited. Maintaining low-density development, avoiding large-scale projects, and protecting the town’s identity were central concerns.

- Environmental and Infrastructure Impacts**
 Respondents raised concerns about the long-term effects of development on wells, aquifers, wetlands, and wildlife. Additional housing was viewed as a potential strain on roads, schools, and municipal services, with concerns that increased tax revenue would not offset the cost of expanded infrastructure needs.
- Support for Limited Housing Flexibility**
 Feedback included support for attached ADUs and modest housing adjustments, but only when they align with the rural context. Responses favored restrictions on rental use, limits on ADU size, and keeping changes within practical and site-specific parameters.
- Distrust in the Planning Process and Housing Initiatives**
 Comments expressed dissatisfaction with how housing issues are being handled by the Planning Board. Concerns were raised about decisions being made without broader voter approval, the repetition of outreach efforts despite past input, and perceptions that housing policies are being driven by outside interests rather than community goals.

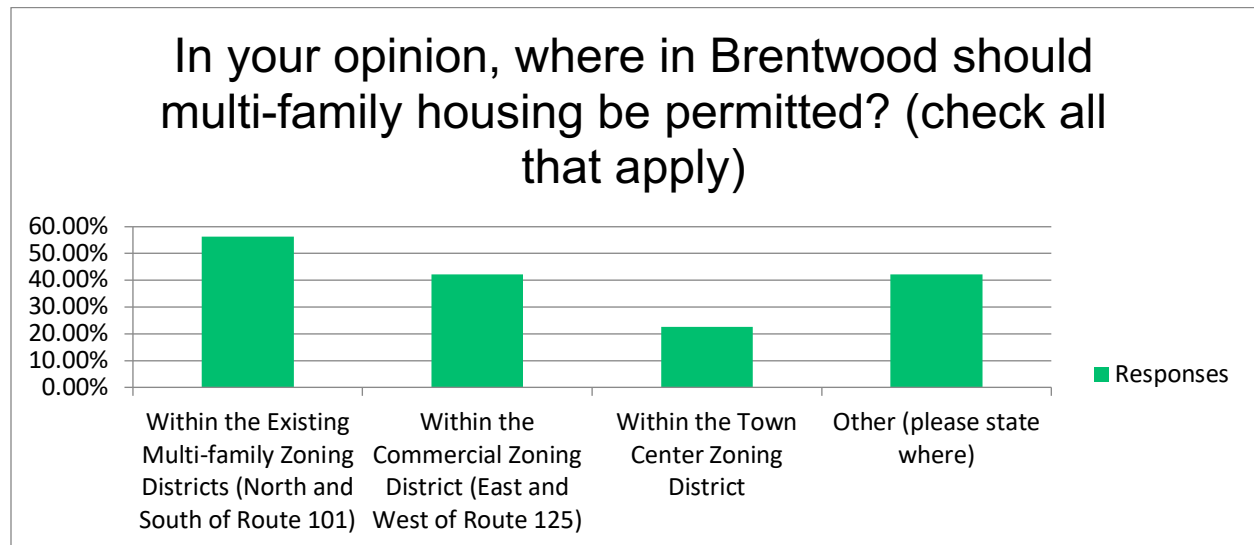
Multi-Family Housing

In your opinion, where in Brentwood should multi-family housing be permitted? (check all that apply)

Answered: 71

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- 56%** of respondents supported permitting multi-family housing within the existing multi-family zoning districts (north and south of Route 101), while **42%** supported allowing it in the commercial zoning district along Route 125. Another **43%** selected “Other” and provided alternative suggestions, and **23%** supported allowing multi-family housing in the Town Center zoning district.

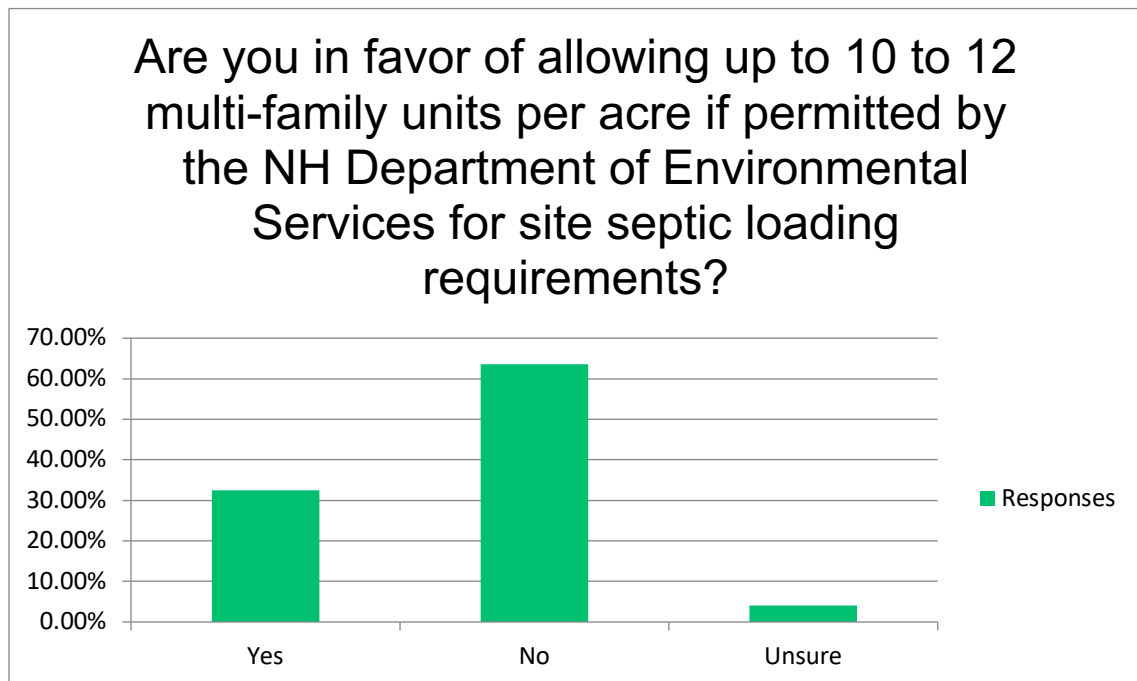


- Of the 30 respondents who selected “Other” and provided written responses, the vast majority **expressed opposition to allowing multi-family housing anywhere in Brentwood.** The comments reflected the following key themes:
 - **Strong opposition to multi-family housing in town** – Respondents stated that Brentwood should remain focused on single-family homes and rural land use, with opposition expressed to apartments, “tenement housing”, or large residential developments.
 - **Concerns about water, septic, and infrastructure limitations** – Responses referenced the lack of public water and sewer, warning that increased density would strain private wells, septic systems, and municipal services.
 - **Desire to limit or prohibit zoning changes** – Comments opposed expanding multi-family zoning districts and expressed support for maintaining or reducing current allowances. Others noted that the town should only meet the minimum legal obligations under state law, without actively encouraging multi-family development.
 - **Concerns about long-term community impacts** – Respondents cited potential consequences such as increased traffic, higher taxes, environmental degradation, and a loss of rural character.

Are you in favor of allowing up to 10 to 12 multi-family units per acre if permitted by the NH Department of Environmental Services for site septic loading requirements?

Answered: 74

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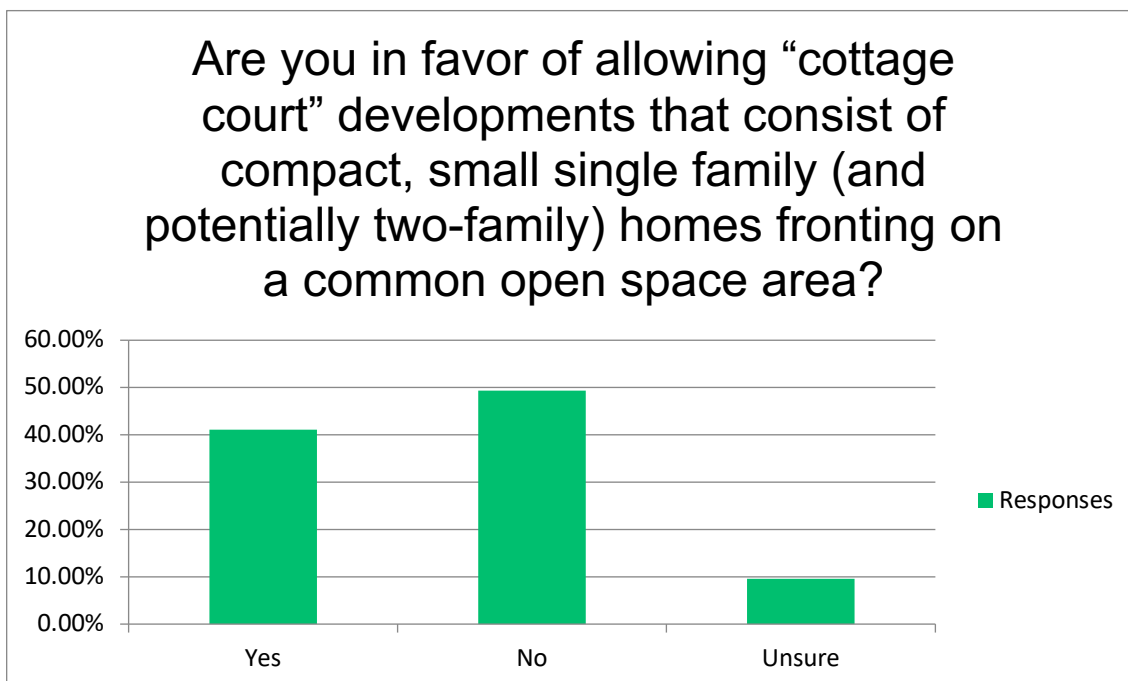


- More than half of respondents (64%) were not in favor of allowing up to 10 to 12 multi-family units per acre, even if permitted by the NH Department of Environmental Services for site septic capacity. About 32% supported the idea, and 4% were unsure.

Why or Why not?

- Of the 23 respondents who answered why or why not, the major recurring themes were:
 - **Preservation of Brentwood’s rural character and opposition to high-density development**
 Respondents stated that allowing 10 to 12 multi-family units per acre would significantly alter the town’s rural character and visual landscape. This level of residential density was described as incompatible with Brentwood’s existing development patterns and long-standing community identity.
 - **Concerns about environmental and infrastructure limitations**
 Comments pointed to Brentwood’s lack of public water and sewer systems, as well as soil conditions, as significant constraints. Respondents warned that dense development could overwhelm wells, septic systems, and fragile ecological systems.
 - **Skepticism toward state-level permitting and oversight**
 Respondents expressed doubt that NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) approvals adequately reflect local conditions or protect community resources. There was clear support for maintaining or strengthening local land use and environmental standards rather than relying on state thresholds.

Are you in favor of allowing “cottage court” developments that consist of compact, small single family (and potentially two-family) homes fronting on a common open space area?



Answered: 73

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- Just under half of the respondents who answered **(49%) were not in favor of allowing “cottage court” developments, 41% supported the idea, and 10% were unsure.**

Why or Why not?

- Of the **18 respondents who answered why or why not**, the major recurring themes were:
 - **Support tied to affordability and housing diversity**
Respondents in favor of cottage courts viewed them as a way to provide smaller, more affordable housing options that could help younger people, older adults, or those priced out of the existing housing market.
 - **Concerns about density and fit with Brentwood’s character**
Those opposed expressed that cottage courts would introduce too much density, lead to clustered development that doesn't align with Brentwood’s rural feel, and result in a “suburban” or “city-style” appearance.
 - **Infrastructure and environmental concerns**
Comments noted the potential impact of additional units on water, septic systems, and town services, especially given the small lot sizes associated with cottage court designs.
 - **Uncertainty or need for more information**
Some respondents requested more clarity about what cottage courts would look like, where they would be located, and how they would be regulated, indicating hesitation based on limited understanding.

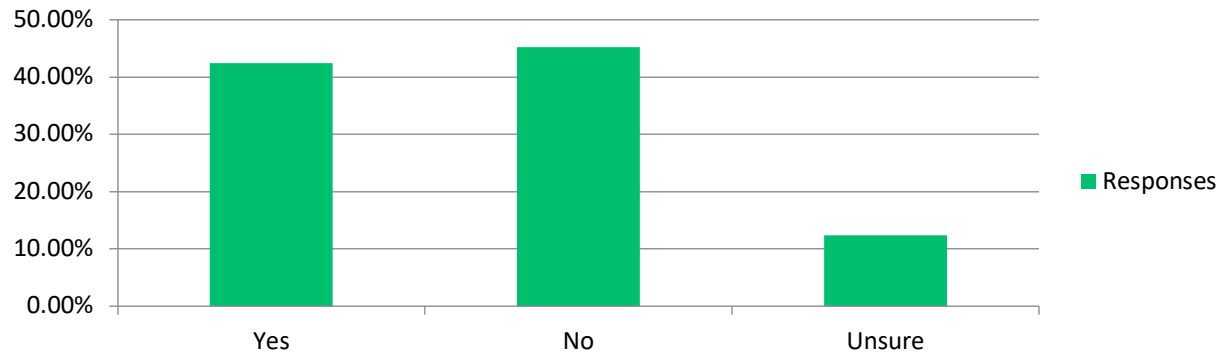
Are you in favor of adopting buffering and “soft” design requirements for multi-family developments? This could include provisions to break up the massing of multifamily buildings, and stepping back townhouse front facade surfaces to effectively increase unit distinction and character without driving up costs.

Answered: 73

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- **45% of respondents were not in favor** of adopting buffering and “soft” design requirements for multi-family developments, **42% supported the idea, and 12% were unsure.**

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Why or Why not?

- Of the 15 respondents who answered, the following reoccurring themes emerged:
 - **Desire to Preserve Brentwood’s Rural Character**
Comments expressed concern that further development—regardless of design—would change the rural identity of the town. Respondents referenced past growth, loss of open space, and a desire to prevent Brentwood from becoming overbuilt or suburbanized.
 - **Concerns about Infrastructure and Environmental Capacity**
Responses pointed to Brentwood’s lack of water and sewer infrastructure, raising concerns about septic capacity, environmental degradation, and the town’s ability to support new housing without straining existing resources.
 - **Conditional Support Based on Scale, Location, and Definition**
Other respondents indicated that support would depend on specifics such as the number of units, location, lot sizes, or how “buffering” and “soft design” are defined. There was interest in smaller-scale or starter homes if well-integrated, but not in high-density or senior-only housing.
 - **Skepticism about the Affordability and Purpose of New Development**
Respondents questioned whether proposed housing would actually be affordable for middle-income residents and expressed doubt that Brentwood could or should be responsible for addressing the broader regional housing shortage.

General Comments and Questions:

Answered: 18

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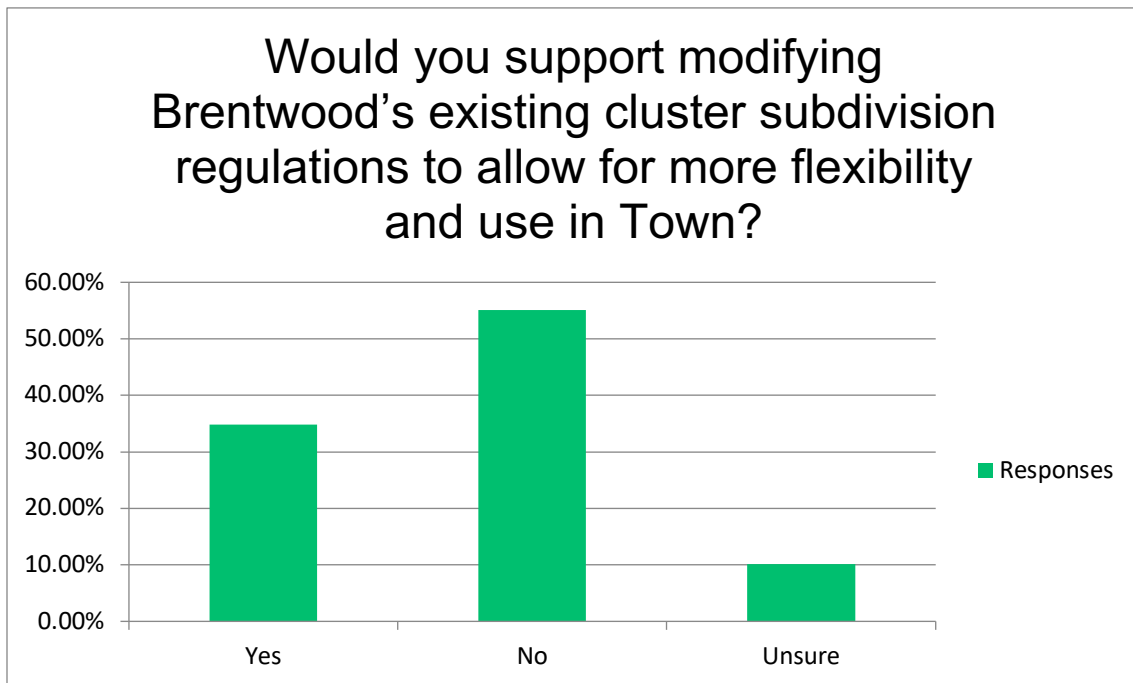
- Top themes of the general comments and questions included:
 - **Preserve Brentwood’s Rural Character and Natural Resources**
Respondents strongly opposed further housing development, particularly multi-family and clustered housing, citing concerns about losing open space, forests, and the rural identity that defines the town.
 - **Frustration with State Involvement and Outside Influence**
Comments reflected skepticism about state-driven housing mandates and questioned the purpose of repeated surveys and planning efforts. Respondents felt that housing decisions are being imposed rather than reflecting local input.
 - **Concerns About Local Decision-Making and Growth Impacts**
Other responses criticized ongoing approval of high-cost housing, raised concerns about school and tax impacts, and questioned whether local leadership is acting in line with the community’s long-term interests.

Cluster Subdivisions

Would you support modifying Brentwood’s existing cluster subdivision regulations to allow for more flexibility and use in Town?

Answered: 69

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- **55% of respondents did not support** modifying Brentwood’s existing cluster subdivision regulations to allow for more flexibility and use, **35% supported the idea**, and **10% were unsure**.

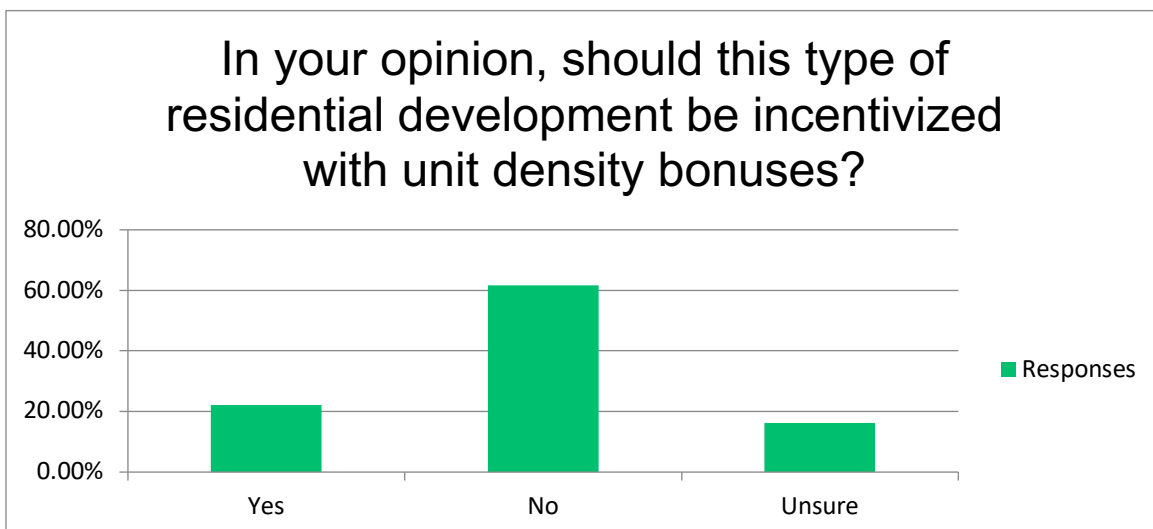
Why or Why not?

- Based on the 28 written responses to the question on modifying Brentwood’s cluster subdivision regulations, the following **key themes** emerged:
 - **Strong desire to preserve Brentwood’s rural character and open space**
 Respondents expressed concern that loosening regulations would undermine the rural identity of the town. Multiple comments emphasized the importance of maintaining open space, protecting natural resources, and avoiding higher-density development patterns that change the character of the community.
 - **Opposition to relaxing rules and long-standing protections**
 Comments stated that existing cluster subdivision rules were put in place to protect the town and should not be weakened. There was concern that relaxing regulations would set a precedent for overdevelopment, strain infrastructure, and create long-term environmental and fiscal impacts.
 - **Distrust of design outcomes and perceived impacts of flexibility**
 Respondents referenced dissatisfaction with the appearance or maintenance of past cluster developments. There were concerns that allowing more flexibility would lead to uniform, lower-quality housing, decreased property values, or increased crime. Some expressed that the town should not adopt development styles seen in more urbanized areas.

In your opinion, should this type of residential development be incentivized with unit density bonuses?

Answered: 68

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- Of the 68 respondents who answered, **62% did not support** incentivizing this type of residential development with unit density bonuses, **22% were in favor**, and **16% were unsure**.

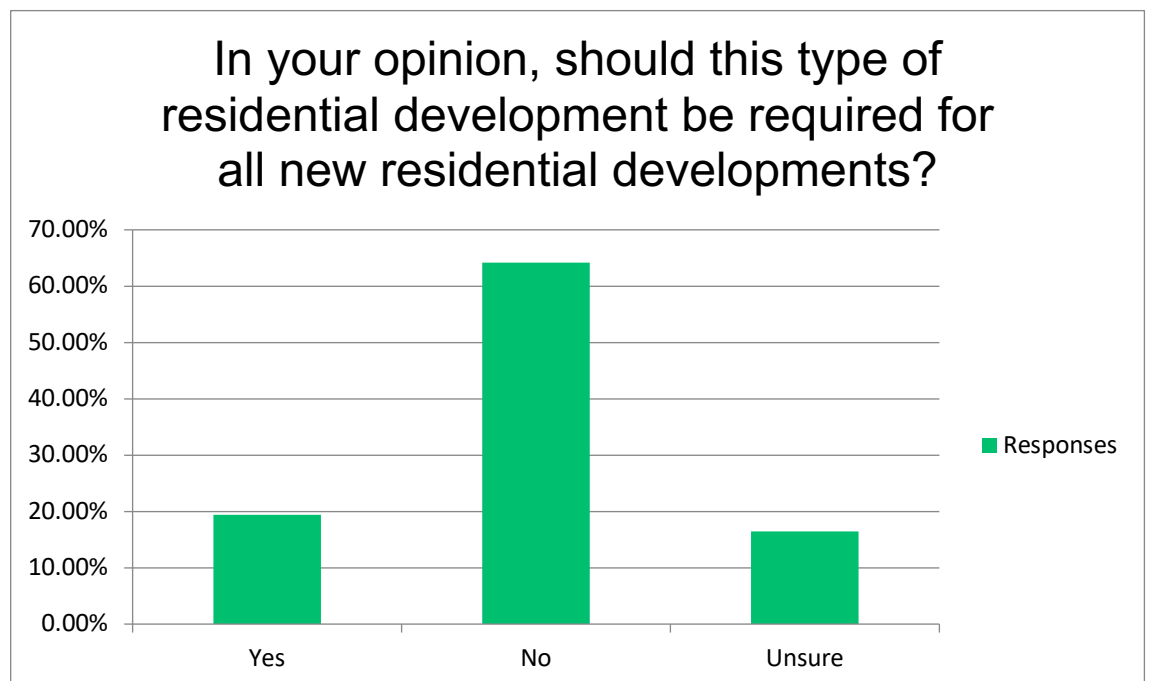
Why or Why not?

- **22 respondents answered.** The following themes that emerged include:
 - **Strong opposition to incentivizing development in Brentwood**
 Respondents repeatedly stated that Brentwood is already a thriving community and does not need incentives to encourage more housing. There was consistent pushback against the idea of offering density bonuses, especially if it benefits developers at the expense of community character or resources.
 - **Concerns about fairness, taxpayer burden, and environmental impact**
 Respondents objected to using taxpayer resources or regulatory leniency to incentivize developers. Respondents emphasized that they paid full price to live in Brentwood without incentives and viewed such policies as unfair. Others raised concerns that incentives would lead to overdevelopment, environmental degradation, and increased strain on limited town infrastructure.
 - **Desire to preserve Brentwood’s rural character**
 Comments warned that incentivizing denser development would erode Brentwood’s rural feel, lead to crowding, and contradict past community feedback. Respondents stated that the town should not adopt urban-style growth strategies that are out of step with Brentwood’s identity.

In your opinion, should this type of residential development be required for all new residential developments?

Answered: 67

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- **Most respondents (64%) did not support** requiring this type of residential development for all new residential projects, **19% were in favor, and 16% were unsure.**

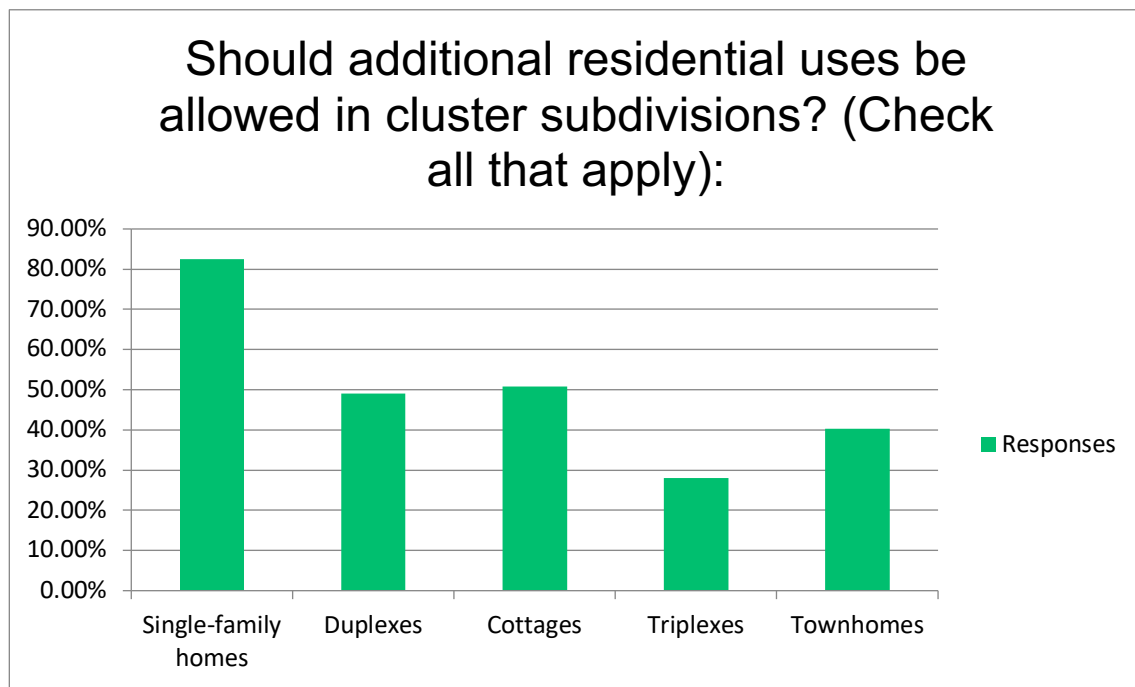
Why or Why not?

- Of the 20 respondents who answered, the following major themes emerged:
 - **Strong opposition to mandates and loss of rural character**
 Respondents objected to requiring any single development type across the board. Comments reflected that a one-size-fits-all approach would damage Brentwood’s rural identity, lead to overdevelopment, and introduce urban-style density incompatible with the town’s scale.
 - **Concerns about affordability, fairness, and property values**
 Comments noted that housing costs are driven by material and land costs, not local regulation, and objected to residents bearing the burden of lower-cost housing mandates. There were also concerns about reduced property values and negative social or economic impacts.
 - **Support for flexibility and open space preservation**
 Some respondents supported encouraging or incentivizing certain development types, but not requiring them. Feedback emphasized the importance of preserving limited open space and tailoring growth based on context rather than applying uniform requirements.

Should additional residential uses be allowed in cluster subdivisions? (Check all that apply):

Answered: 57

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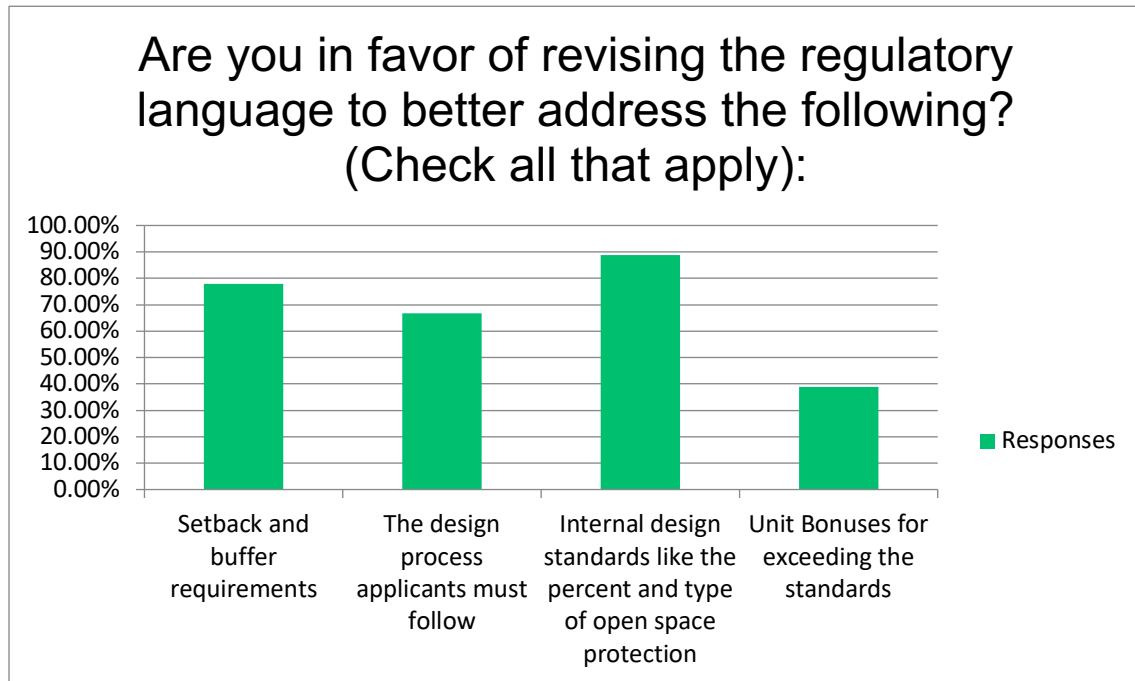


- Of the 57 respondents who answered, **majority (82%) supported allowing single-family homes in cluster subdivisions**. Just over half (**51%**) were in favor of allowing cottages, while **duplexes received similar support at 49%**. Interest was lower for townhomes, supported by **40%** of respondents, and even fewer (**28%**) supported triplexes.

Are you in favor of revising the regulatory language to better address the following? (Check all that apply):

Answered: 36

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- Among the 36 respondents, the most widely supported change was updating **internal design standards**, including the percentage and type of open space protection, with **89%** in favor. **Setback and buffer requirements** also received support, endorsed by **78%** of respondents. About two-thirds (**67%**) supported improvements to **the design process applicants must follow**. In contrast, only **39%** supported offering **unit bonuses** as an incentive for exceeding standards, reflecting less enthusiasm for density-based incentives.

General Feedback and Questions:

Answered: 28

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- Strong opposition to relaxing regulations or offering incentives**
 Respondents consistently stated that existing zoning and development regulations should not be weakened. Comments opposed unit bonuses and expressed concern that

loosening rules would harm the environment, increase development pressure, and reduce the quality of life in Brentwood.

- **Support for stricter or more protective development standards**

Comments indicated that if any changes are made to regulations, they should be more restrictive—not more flexible. Setback, buffer, and open space requirements were supported only when designed to further limit development or preserve land.

- **Desire to maintain Brentwood’s rural character and concern about the direction of development**

Respondents emphasized the importance of protecting Brentwood’s small-town identity, natural environment, and quality of life. Comments reflected concern about the pace, scale, and design of recent development, with calls for greater care in planning decisions and a preference for avoiding higher-density or urban-style growth. There was a consistent interest in ensuring that future development aligns with community values and maintains local control.

Workforce Housing

What stands out most to you about the role Workforce Housing could play in Brentwood? (Is anything you learned today surprising, helpful, or important to you?)

Answered: 52

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- The following themes emerged based on reoccurrence:

- **Widespread opposition to workforce housing in Brentwood**

Respondents stated that Brentwood should not change to accommodate people who cannot afford to live in the community. Comments emphasized personal responsibility, the importance of living within one’s means, and a belief that the town’s high cost of living is appropriate and desirable. Workforce housing was described as incompatible with Brentwood’s identity.

- **Concerns about infrastructure strain, environmental impacts, and property values**

Respondents expressed that workforce housing would lead to increased burdens on water, sewer, and town services. Comments also referenced potential declines in property values and changes to the community’s safety or quality of life.

- **Support for meeting minimum legal requirements without promoting development**

Respondents acknowledged that Brentwood is not currently in compliance with New Hampshire’s workforce housing law. There was support for updating regulations to satisfy legal obligations, but not for offering incentives or encouraging new workforce housing projects.

What questions, ideas, or concerns do you have about how Brentwood should come into compliance with the State’s Workforce Housing Law moving forward?

Answered: 43

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- Feedback on Workforce Housing compliance generally centered on the following reoccurring themes:
 - **Strong preference for minimal compliance without promotion**
Respondents repeatedly supported meeting only the minimum legal requirements to avoid lawsuits, without offering incentives or actively encouraging new development. There were calls to “do the bare minimum,” “copy what other towns have done,” and ensure Brentwood is legally protected without changing its character.
 - **Desire to repeal, ignore, or resist the law altogether**
Comments frequently expressed a wish to repeal or fight the law, claiming it is an overreach, unnecessary, or lacks enforcement power. Others said Brentwood should ignore the law or “sue the state.”
 - **Concerns about impacts to rural character, infrastructure, and taxes**
Respondents expressed concern about increased housing density and its effects on water, sewer, safety, schools, and local taxes. Many linked compliance efforts to a potential loss of Brentwood’s rural identity.

What types of people in Brentwood, or your own life, do you think could benefit from more Workforce Housing options?

Answered: 50

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- **Who respondents believe could benefit from Workforce Housing in Brentwood:**
 - **Younger adults, new families, and first-time homebuyers**
These groups were frequently mentioned as needing more attainable entry points into the housing market to remain or settle in town.
 - **Essential workers and local employees**
Respondents highlighted teachers, police officers, firefighters, EMTs, nurses, town staff, tradespeople, and other blue-collar workers as people who should be able to live in the community they serve.
 - **Skepticism or rejection of the need for Workforce Housing in Brentwood**
Respondents expressed opposition, stating that no one should be entitled to housing they cannot afford, or that Brentwood is not suited for this type of housing due to its rural character and lack of infrastructure.

General Feedback or Questions:

Answered: 18

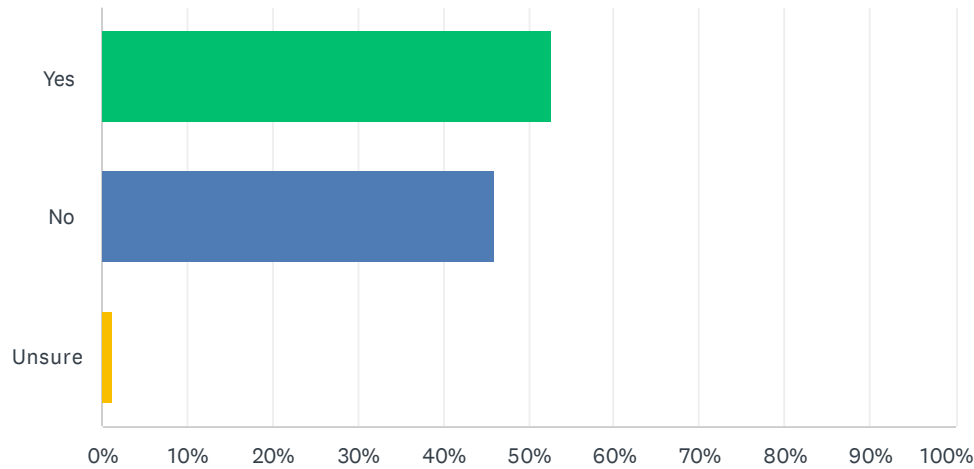
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- General comments and feedback received on Workforce Housing included the following overarching sentiments:

- **Preserve Brentwood's rural character**
Respondents consistently called for keeping the town small, quiet, and rural, and opposed development that might change that identity.
- **Frustration with repeated outreach efforts**
Comments expressed fatigue with ongoing surveys or meetings, suggesting that earlier feedback to "keep Brentwood rural" has not been heard.

Q1 Would you support modifying Brentwood’s existing Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) regulations to allow for greater property owner flexibility and new rental opportunities in Town?

Answered: 78 Skipped: 2



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	52.56%	41
No	46.15%	36
Unsure	1.28%	1
TOTAL		78

#	WHY OR WHY NOT?	DATE
1	It would greatly depend on what would be changed. I do not want to see multiple or large ADUs. it would corrupt the integrity of the town.	6/20/2025 12:02 PM
2	We need affordable housing	6/20/2025 12:00 PM
3	With so many houses on 2 acres there should be room for some ADUs	6/20/2025 11:56 AM
4	I support detached ADUs	6/20/2025 11:53 AM
5	I believe it would lead to lower property values and selling of units after family has left -	6/20/2025 11:49 AM
6	We do not need additional rental units in town	6/20/2025 11:46 AM
7	Down the road, someone purchasing the house when it is for sale - most people do not want to be a landlord	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
8	I dont want any more development no condos/townhouses etc	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
9	increase tax cost of homes with good rent, may decrease rents not everyone needs to be a landlord and if choose kept still have to pay for increase property value without income, only the rich could afford the home	6/20/2025 11:08 AM
10	I love Brentwood with my whole hears and I want it accessible to families after me	6/20/2025 11:00 AM
11	I would support allowing (with Planning Board approval) a 2nd ADU and a detached ADU	6/20/2025 10:54 AM

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because there are a number of large properties (mine included) which could house people but without subdividing and ruining larger open spaces.

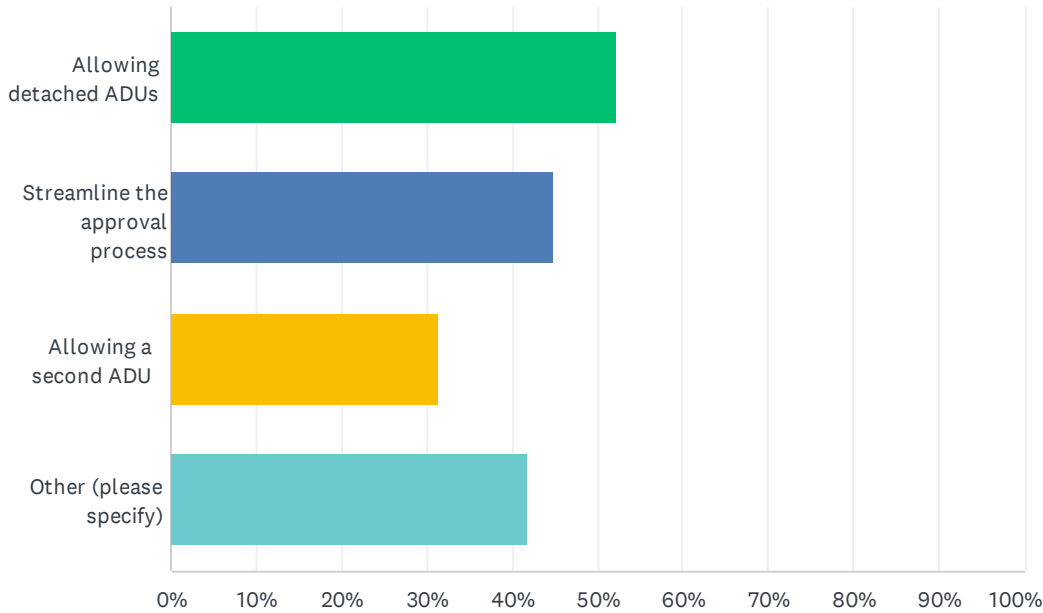
12	Ease of adding an ADU would like to see detached ADUS allowed	6/20/2025 10:24 AM
13	- increase # housing units - leverage old barns and large out buildings to provide affordable housing	6/20/2025 10:20 AM
14	Allowing Brentwood residents to retire in Brentwood	6/20/2025 10:19 AM
15	lack of housing and rising taxes	6/20/2025 10:17 AM
16	Needs to be defined locally - not state mandate	6/20/2025 10:12 AM
17	I think the current ordinance prohibiting detached ADUs is too restrictive. I would like to see them allowed with some architectural/design guidelines	6/20/2025 10:08 AM
18	I do not support ADUs for rental purposes. If a homeowner wants an ADU (attached) as an "inlay" apartment (no rent) fine so long as it meets zoning and my HOAs	6/20/2025 10:01 AM
19	Would this increase our taxes? As in impact fee?	6/17/2025 10:11 PM
20	Because it will cause stress on water usage and that will lead to more building less open space and parking issues like Exeter.	6/17/2025 2:29 PM
21	I own a business and need a place for my employees that is affordable I have an elderly parent. I have structures that exist that have no use, would make great ousing.	6/17/2025 2:24 PM
22	Will increase taxes Will put stress on water supply Want Brentwood rural	6/17/2025 2:16 PM
23	- impacts water aquifer - rules set up and established to protect existing wells - keep Brentwood rural	6/17/2025 2:06 PM
24	Will impact rate aquifer - Rules set up and established to protect existing wells. Keep Brentwood RURAL.	6/17/2025 1:56 PM
25	Although I support attached accessory dwelling units that support families I do not support detached units. Brentwood has dwindling resources that ice developed cannot be reclaimed. We need a planning board that can find the smallest changes with the least impact on development.	6/17/2025 1:50 PM
26	This would bring the value down on the current property. if you cant afford to live n Brentwood move west!	6/17/2025 1:39 PM
27	Keep the town RURAL. No multi-family dwellings, no affordable housing units	6/17/2025 1:35 PM
28	It will enable families to take care of their aging parents, or older children	6/17/2025 1:27 PM
29	ADUs can definitely be part of the solution there are ways to make them fit the town's character	6/17/2025 1:25 PM
30	Brentwood needs more affordable housing for young families. I'm an employee andl can't afford to live here.	6/17/2025 1:17 PM
31	Cause no one can afford to buy in Brentwood with housing \$900,000+	6/16/2025 2:28 PM
32	Do not want rental properties in rural Brentwood.	6/16/2025 2:19 PM
33	This would allow families to help each other with housing.	6/10/2025 7:29 PM
34	No new rental	6/10/2025 12:47 PM
35	You over build and will ruin the water systems and environent.	6/10/2025 8:38 AM
36	Affordable housing, multigenerational, aging in place	6/9/2025 10:18 PM
37	ADU's can quickly turn a town into an overcrowded mess if not properly implemented. The tax impact on each property may not keep up with the need generated by adding an ADU. Eg: rest of the taxpayers will fund a disproportionate amount to supplement needs of those with ADUs.	6/9/2025 8:46 PM
38	ADU units for family members, NOT for rentals.	6/9/2025 4:46 PM
39	It's my land and I should be able to have the flexibility especially for children who have	5/30/2025 4:41 PM

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	graduated college and cannot afford or find any affordable housing in this area.	
40	Current regulations are too restrictive with attached only option. Specifically for my situation, we would prefer detached.	5/30/2025 10:21 AM
41	This does not align with rural values our residents desire.	5/21/2025 8:23 AM
42	I don't support property owners providing rental opportunities on their household residences. Adding an attached ADU (in-law apartment) for parents, grown children, etc. is fine, but not to be used for rental property/income.	5/18/2025 8:25 AM
43	overdevelopment is never a good idea this can lead to excessive rentals/transit occupancy and negative impact on community and town resources	5/16/2025 7:38 AM
44	overpopulation will change the rural character of the small town. the current homes are relatively large in size and many families co-habit multi-generations without adu's.	5/16/2025 6:59 AM
45	Brentwood does not have a water/sewer system and residents rely on wells. Overdeveloped areas have seen irreversible negative impacts to existing wells and water supplies. House sizes are dictated by perk tests for a reason.	5/15/2025 7:34 PM
46	Will stress water systems, negatively impact or cause greater demands on town services and school systems, destroy the rural character of the town	5/15/2025 6:46 PM

Q2 More specifically, which of the following changes are you in favor of (check all that apply):

Answered: 67 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Allowing detached ADUs	52.24% 35
Streamline the approval process	44.78% 30
Allowing a second ADU	31.34% 21
Other (please specify)	41.79% 28
Total Respondents: 67	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Not in favor of ADUs	6/20/2025 11:49 AM
2	None of the above	6/20/2025 11:46 AM
3	Not sure detached ADUs help - creates management issues	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
4	No housing permits for neighborhoods	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
5	None	6/20/2025 11:08 AM
6	Larger size ADU	6/20/2025 10:24 AM
7	Keep the rural character at front Be careful we don't have ADU little towns 🙄	6/17/2025 10:11 PM
8	None	6/17/2025 2:29 PM
9	No No No	6/17/2025 2:16 PM
10	NOT ALLOWING	6/17/2025 2:06 PM

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11	NO - Allowing detached ADUs - cheap way to put/stress lots and water Not allowing rules exist for a reason	6/17/2025 1:56 PM
12	None of the above	6/17/2025 1:50 PM
13	None	6/17/2025 1:39 PM
14	None	6/17/2025 1:35 PM
15	None	6/17/2025 1:23 PM
16	Only attached. Preserve Brentwood.	6/12/2025 8:13 AM
17	What is an ADU	6/10/2025 4:33 PM
18	None	6/10/2025 12:47 PM
19	None. Rules and set backs were established to preserve the resources. Look at neighboring towns with no water because they built too quick and to many.	6/10/2025 8:38 AM
20	No ADU	6/9/2025 4:34 PM
21	ADUs that are attached and within size limitations are desirable to match the rural nature of Brentwood and give generational housing options.	5/21/2025 8:23 AM
22	NONE	5/18/2025 8:25 AM
23	None	5/16/2025 7:58 AM
24	the town and state would be irresponsible to all citizens if they lessened the building code rules and processes	5/16/2025 7:38 AM
25	i am in favor of changes to keep brentwood a small rural town only. the homes are large enough to house senior family members	5/16/2025 6:59 AM
26	Noneof the above	5/15/2025 7:41 PM
27	None. More restrictions should be in place to protect our environment. Brentwood is a rural community, not a city with excessive infrastructure.	5/15/2025 7:34 PM
28	None, why would you make these process or building easier? Years from now the environmental stress caused by over developing will devalue the town the resources will never be salvaged. Other surrounding towns buy their water because of over development.	5/15/2025 6:46 PM

Q3 General Feedback and Questions:

Answered: 24 Skipped: 56

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	prefer no minimum square footage and no square footage over 1,100 sq ft	6/20/2025 11:53 AM
2	Brentwood needs to remain rural	6/20/2025 11:46 AM
3	1) attached ADUs provide housing for family members - detached create landlord/renter issues 2) not in favor of detached - given cost for septic (existing single would have to be evaluated anyway - regardless of attached or detached classification could not be possible given all the wetland areas in town. 3) Increasing development may allow less suitable wetland areas to be developed. 4) Studies show development increase the need for services - and tax revenue does not cover the increased cost of services	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
4	STOP development in Brentwood	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
5	I believe in housing equity and balance in community. I got all my questions answered by the spectacular Mark Kennedy :)	6/20/2025 11:00 AM
6	ADU requirements should be reasonable and not prohibitively costly	6/20/2025 10:20 AM
7	Plan ahead Stay small Definitely keep in mind wildlife flora and fauna protected or as a stipulation for planting indigenous environmental species Pollinator gardens This is what you could be asking developers they take away but have them give back in an insidious manner Oh the can get rid of invasive species Make a deal 😊	6/17/2025 10:11 PM
8	We have already had these questions and forums and the town REPEATEDLY voted to keep Brentwood rural.	6/17/2025 2:29 PM
9	Feel this is getting old. We already restated this multiple times. But yet still being pushed. Brentwood should not be changed to accomodate those who can't afford to be here.	6/17/2025 2:16 PM
10	We have responded to multiple surveys at this point, each time this project has been denied to keep Brentwood rural. Take your loss and find another town for your project if you are that passionate about it.	6/17/2025 2:06 PM
11	We have answered surveys 3 times now - and each time the town residents say they want to keep Brentwood Rural - asking over and over again is annoying and disrespectful of long time residents wants and needs. Exeter, Plaistow, and other local towns offer what Brentwood does NOT want.	6/17/2025 1:56 PM
12	I was at a meeting when Stephanie from Planning Board presented a grant application for a rotary at Crawley Falls putting the Select Board n a position to vote at the last minute. These huge impact change should not be being pursued without voter approval What sane person would want additional traffic from 125 duped onto Dalton Rd. Just a few hours ago trailed police officer was killed on her bike on the side of Rte 125 in Kingston. Our leaders believe getting kids any where near 125 between the Rec and the Library is a good idea. No child should be unaccompanied anywhere near 125. Dalton Rd can barely handle the cars today. The Planning Board needs to look out for our interest not developers and not the state.	6/17/2025 1:50 PM
13	Stop allowing million dollar houses to be built. That contributes to raising taxes	6/16/2025 2:28 PM
14	Allow attached ADU so long as they are NOT used as rental properties in rural single family zoned Brentwood.	6/16/2025 2:19 PM
15	Stop the developments	6/10/2025 12:47 PM
16	Over population is not going to provide affordable housing and will only strain our resources.	6/10/2025 8:38 AM
17	Allow for more housing opportunities to include multi family style buildings	6/9/2025 7:01 PM
18	Streamline the process but also allowing homeowners options to expand on their property as long as it falls under practical parameters. Attached dwellings are great if the property and	5/30/2025 10:21 AM

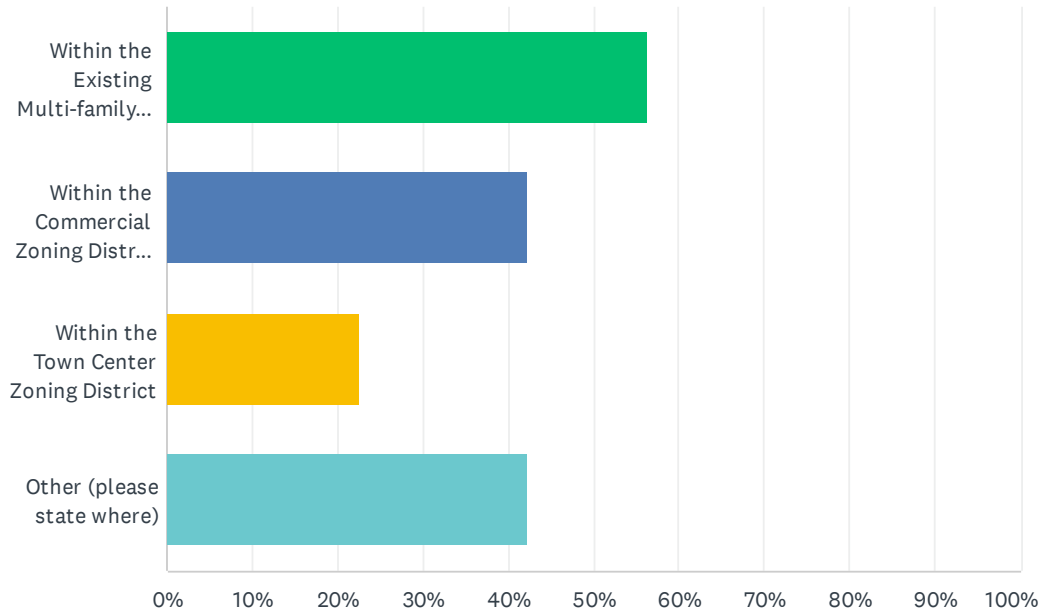
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house configuration work. When families and loved ones prefer independence or the property configuration dictate it, this is when detached needs to be an option.

19	The planning board should be looking at meeting the requirements of the state housing laws while keeping the rural nature of Brentwood. They should stop trying to solve the state/country housing crisis. You should focus on saving our natural resources, ie open land which if you convert from its virgin land status to developed can not be returned. We are looking for planning board members who can think outside the box for solutions to the land crisis these policies are creating. Climate change should be encouraging you to save existing ecosystems. Other towns with Human Resources, ie town water and sewer, job through industry, public transportation, etc. It seems there are members of the planning board who have personal financial interests with their own jobs to be motivated to push for these kinds of developments.	5/21/2025 8:23 AM
20	Don't try to force rental properties into our rural town - especially in areas zone for rural single family houses.	5/18/2025 8:25 AM
21	100% against any changes to for reduction of current regulations and building ordinances	5/16/2025 7:38 AM
22	the brentwood residents have on multiple surveys requested to keep the town a small rural community yet another year and another survey. there is no water/sewer services and over building will result in irreversible damage and stress on our wells/aquifers and environment as proven in other local areas (hampstead and salem to name 2).	5/16/2025 6:59 AM
23	Not all towns or communities should be cities.	5/15/2025 7:34 PM
24	Keep brentwood rural and stop pushing this propoganda down our throats.	5/15/2025 6:46 PM

Q4 In your opinion, where in Brentwood should multi-family housing be permitted? (check all that apply)

Answered: 71 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Within the Existing Multi-family Zoning Districts (North and South of Route 101)	56.34% 40
Within the Commercial Zoning District (East and West of Route 125)	42.25% 30
Within the Town Center Zoning District	22.54% 16
Other (please state where)	42.25% 30
Total Respondents: 71	

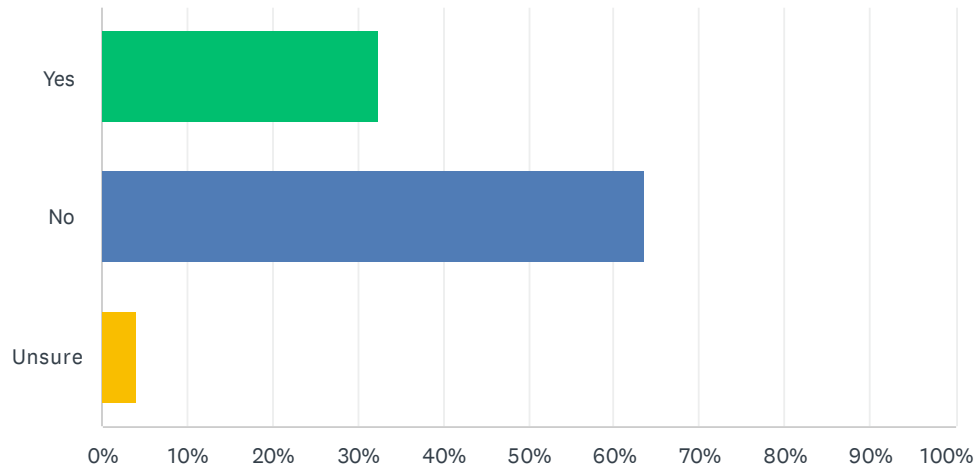
#	OTHER (PLEASE STATE WHERE)	DATE
1	I am concerned about how many units this would be. without town water, multifamily units could have a negative impact on water supply	6/20/2025 12:02 PM
2	Not in favor of multi-family housing - how about somewhere else	6/20/2025 11:49 AM
3	no multi-family housing. Look at what has happened to the formally rural towns in Mass.	6/20/2025 11:46 AM
4	You need to describe what multi-family housing would be like? - would it be a large "development"	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
5	Plaistow	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
6	None	6/20/2025 11:18 AM
7	I dont think multi-family housing fits in Brentwood's rural character. I also fear water/septic issues.	6/20/2025 10:01 AM
8	Route 27	6/20/2025 9:57 AM
9	Not in Brentwood	6/17/2025 2:30 PM

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10	No where Brentwood should be high end single family homes as it has been	6/17/2025 2:16 PM
11	No where in the town of Brentwood NH	6/17/2025 2:08 PM
12	No where in Brentwood. Multi-family complexes will ruin the towns rural character we have multiple times indicated we want to keep	6/17/2025 1:58 PM
13	No where	6/17/2025 1:50 PM
14	No multi-family housing	6/17/2025 1:39 PM
15	Someplace else. Not in Brentwood	6/17/2025 1:35 PM
16	ALL OVER	6/17/2025 1:33 PM
17	Nowhere	6/17/2025 1:30 PM
18	Not in Brentwood	6/17/2025 1:23 PM
19	Raymond	6/10/2025 12:49 PM
20	None, we have no town water sewer infrastructure and over building will strain the current homeowners resources.	6/10/2025 8:43 AM
21	None!	6/9/2025 6:38 PM
22	No	6/9/2025 4:35 PM
23	Do not increase the existing multi-family zoning districts. It does not align with maintaining the rural character of Brentwood.	5/21/2025 8:28 AM
24	Don't see need to expand multi-family housing zoning. Meet MINIMUM requirements to protect us from lawsuits but do NOT incent multi-family housing into our rural community.	5/18/2025 8:29 AM
25	Not in Brentwood	5/16/2025 8:04 AM
26	not in my backyard, side yard, front yard. No where in Brentwood does this belong. This will negatively affect our community, environment, and resources	5/16/2025 7:45 AM
27	No, brentwoods rural character does not align with multi-family housing and will again stress our water systems, environmental habitats and also require additional town services and school systems all leading to higher uncontrollable real estate taxes. multi family housing does not belong in brentwood and will not solve any housing crisis or affordable housing issues.	5/16/2025 7:13 AM
28	None. All areas in Brentwood should remain rural in character. Not in my backyard. Traffic is already an issue. Re taxes are also an issue. Adding excessive builds will exacerbate our tight budgets not lessen the burdens.	5/15/2025 7:43 PM
29	No new locations	5/15/2025 7:42 PM
30	Multi family houses, tenament housing and apartment complexes do not belong in Brentwood and will tax our resources.	5/15/2025 6:52 PM

Q5 Are you in favor of allowing up to 10 to 12 multi-family units per acre if permitted by the NH Department of Environmental Services for site septic loading requirements?

Answered: 74 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	32.43% 24
No	63.51% 47
Unsure	4.05% 3
TOTAL	74

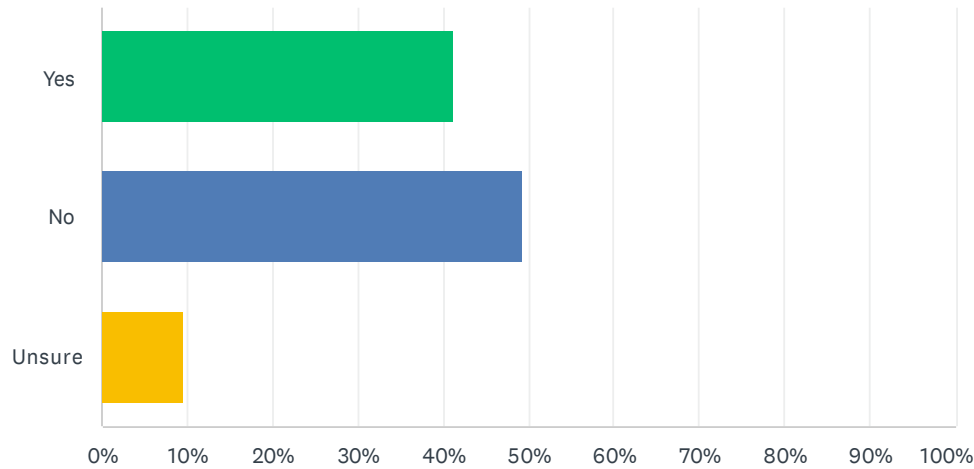
#	WHY OR WHY NOT?	DATE
1	Brentwood is not suitable for this dense development given wetlands, lack of services	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
2	Never	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
3	with consideration to architectural design criteria	6/20/2025 10:20 AM
4	This will ruin the openness of the town. It will also affect the kind of community Brentwood has between its residents Too city like if multi-family housing exists (yuck)	6/17/2025 2:08 PM
5	Stress and will drain out existing wells	6/17/2025 1:58 PM
6	Allows for younger people and families to live in this great town	6/16/2025 2:30 PM
7	PRESERVE RURAL NATURE OF OUR TOWN.	6/12/2025 8:16 AM
8	Too many people being added to the town. This will totally change the look of the housing. Adding one small adu if done correctly still looks nice and not like apartment buildings.	6/10/2025 7:33 PM
9	By multi family, do you mean a cluster development or an apartment building?	6/10/2025 3:24 PM
10	No more developments	6/10/2025 12:49 PM
11	Nh has clay, ledge and granite. If a 4 bedroom house can't perk, why should the rules be adjusted to favor a larger occupancy building and tax our resources that cannot be replaced.	6/10/2025 8:43 AM
12	Affordable housing	6/9/2025 10:27 PM

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13	Absolutely not. This is a rural town not an urban center.	6/9/2025 9:01 PM
14	No because, all housing should have the feel or f a rural environment regardless of style or zoning	6/9/2025 7:26 PM
15	That's too many people in too small a space. 10 to 12 units in one acre? No. Maybe in 3 acres.	6/9/2025 4:55 PM
16	You will change the rural character of Brentwood that residents wish to maintain for many reasons including climate change.	5/21/2025 8:28 AM
17	Read the past surveys - they are all the same. Top response is PRESERVE BRENTWOOD'S RURAL CHARACTER. Multi-family housing doesn't fit here.	5/18/2025 8:29 AM
18	would NH DES be liable to the community if our systems fail due to over development if not then there should not be any concessions to the current regulations	5/16/2025 8:04 AM
19	NH DES has a responsibility to keep NH residents safe by not removing building code and environmental restrictions. Over building or changing the rules to over build/populate an area could be devastating to our town	5/16/2025 7:45 AM
20	NH DES should never allow this to go through. the area is clay and will not pass a perk test unless manipulated or less restrictive which would cause irreversible harm to the entire environment and brentwood eco systems. the rules should be more strict, not less restrictive.	5/16/2025 7:13 AM
21	Wells and environment will be strained and irreversibly negatively impacted over time.	5/15/2025 7:43 PM
22	Keep Brentwood Rural	5/15/2025 7:42 PM
23	Brentwood does not offer water and sewer and to over develop a town with no water and sewer infrastructure would be a breach of fiduciary duties to the current homeowners. The impacts will be irreversible and detrimental to our community and environment.	5/15/2025 6:52 PM

Q6 Are you in favor of allowing “cottage court” developments that consist of compact, small single family (and potentially two-family) homes fronting on a common open space area?

Answered: 73 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	41.10%	30
No	49.32%	36
Unsure	9.59%	7
TOTAL		73

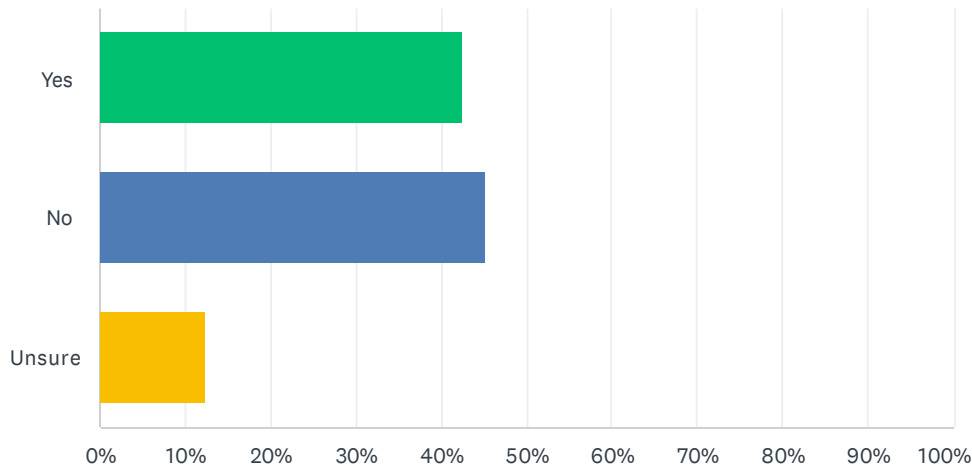
#	WHY OR WHY NOT?	DATE
1	It would depend on how many, probably not	6/20/2025 12:02 PM
2	Would have to define overall density/allowance	6/20/2025 11:53 AM
3	Absolutely not	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
4	Need to check these out?	6/17/2025 1:20 PM
5	Depends on where rbis is done and what it would look like. Not for clearing land and taking from wildlife but if taking existing homes down and putting up smaller homes then possibly.	6/10/2025 7:33 PM
6	Leave Brentwood rural	6/10/2025 12:49 PM
7	If housing and perk tests can't be accomplished within the current guidelines, then NO new building.	6/10/2025 8:43 AM
8	We don't have the space in town to support that.	6/9/2025 9:01 PM
9	This depends on what the minimum size lot would be for each house. I still think people should have their own space and freedom to expand.	6/9/2025 7:26 PM
10	ONLY if they are starter homes. NO MORE SENIOR HOUSING!! (and I'm a senior). Small single family houses at reasonable prices - like \$350K to \$450k (not current pricing in town). When people say affordable housing, they mean affordable for middle class...not low class.	6/9/2025 4:55 PM

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11	You will change the rural character of Brentwood that residents wish to maintain for many reasons including climate change.	5/21/2025 8:28 AM
12	PRESERVE BRENTWOOD'S RURAL CHARACTER	5/18/2025 8:29 AM
13	negative impact on environment, resources, community	5/16/2025 8:04 AM
14	Brentwood has been on a building spree for 20 years. The ground needs to settle and the area needs to see let nature and wildlife breathe. This is not an ideal area to expand rapidly, especially since there is not water/sewer infrastructure.	5/16/2025 7:45 AM
15	Over development in the long term will destroy the brentwood community. we thrive here because of the rural character, scenic feel and relatively short commute to larger cities and everything necessary.	5/16/2025 7:13 AM
16	Housing development needs to be properly planned. Brentwood is will definitely not alleviate the current housing shortage nor will it be affordable. Brentwood does not have the infrastructure or town resources to sustain substantial growth. Neighboring to towns have literally run out of water due to overpopulation and development. Bad choice and irresponsible for a small rural community.	5/15/2025 7:43 PM
17	Keep Brentwood rural	5/15/2025 7:42 PM
18	What open space and owned by who? Single family homes only.	5/15/2025 6:52 PM

Q7 Are you in favor of adopting buffering and “soft” design requirements for multi-family developments? This could include provisions to break up the massing of multifamily buildings, and stepping back townhouse front facade surfaces to effectively increase unit distinction and character without driving up costs.

Answered: 73 Skipped: 7



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	42.47%	31
No	45.21%	33
Unsure	12.33%	9
TOTAL		73

#	WHY OR WHY NOT?	DATE
1	I would need more information to understand what this means	6/20/2025 12:02 PM
2	multi-family buildings - not in favor	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
3	Dont want ANY multi-family development	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
4	Sometimes making a 2-4 (small) unit building look like a single family would be better	6/17/2025 1:33 PM
5	Rural towns with no water/sewer infrastructure is NOT appropriate for mass housing of any type. Over population will pollute the town.	6/10/2025 8:43 AM
6	Not quite sure what you are asking. Would need to visually see what you are referring to.	6/9/2025 4:55 PM
7	Moved out of Massachusetts to get away from this!	6/9/2025 4:35 PM
8	You will change the rural character of Brentwood that residents wish to maintain for many reasons including climate change.	5/21/2025 8:28 AM
9	PRESERVE BRENTWOOD'S RURAL CHARACTER	5/18/2025 8:29 AM
10	Brentwood is not the proper area for this development. Not every town should be a city. You want a city, move to the city. I want the country and want to continue to live in my rural area.	5/16/2025 8:04 AM

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11	Never should any rules be less restrictive to accommodate over building and population expansion, especially within a thriving community.	5/16/2025 7:45 AM
12	Overdevelopment in this area will ruin the town. Why doesn't the state develop remote areas. they will have a clean canvas to properly plan and develop to a location everyone will want to go to vs ruining the few small NH rural towns in Southern NH.	5/16/2025 7:13 AM
13	Rules exist for a reason. Overdevelopment will negatively impact our small town feel.	5/15/2025 7:43 PM
14	Keep Brentwood rural	5/15/2025 7:42 PM
15	Rules exist to protect us now and in the future. Changing them without a future impact plan is a breach of fiduciary duty to the current townspeople.	5/15/2025 6:52 PM

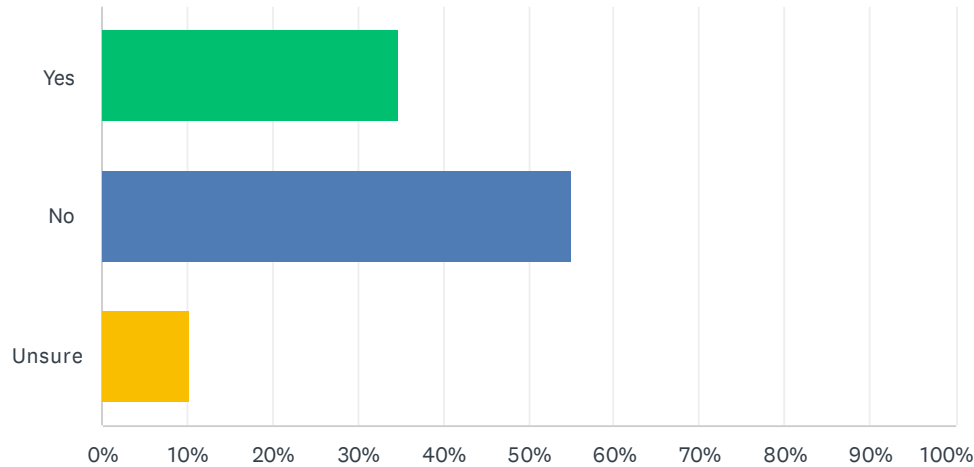
Q8 General Feedback and Questions:

Answered: 18 Skipped: 62

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	more trees, fewer housing units	6/20/2025 11:46 AM
2	1) who established the "housing needs" number of dwellings by 2025 and 2030? Did Brentwood residents set the numbers or are they imposed on us? 2) What limitations come with workforce housing are buyers hemmed in by regulations? Do regulations limit?	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
3	Stop developing our woods and fields	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
4	Brentwood has repeatedly voted to keep Brentwood rural and not look like Exeter	6/17/2025 2:30 PM
5	Brentwood is not the kind of town for housing as suggested by this project	6/17/2025 2:08 PM
6	No No No - Brentwood is not ideal for cluster crap housing - move to the multi million dollar homes in Salem NH with no water and tree lines	6/17/2025 1:58 PM
7	As long as the school cost are out of control. I will not support any additional housing that increases family	6/17/2025 1:50 PM
8	I moved here to get away from all this	6/17/2025 1:30 PM
9	Every survey taken says "keep and preserve rural nature of Brentwood". We don't want multi-family housing. Leave that to more urban cities.	6/16/2025 2:21 PM
10	Who created this survey? Can't be Brentwood residents. Feels like typical big government "solutions". Survey that will be cherry picked to promote agenda	6/12/2025 8:16 AM
11	PLEASE STOP APPROVING AND BUILDING MILLION DOLLAR HOMES IN BRENTWOOD! You are changing the whole character of the town.	6/9/2025 4:55 PM
12	I am extremely concerned about members of the planning board who have self serving motivations.	5/21/2025 8:28 AM
13	PRESERVE BRENTWOOD'S RURAL CHARACTER. Also, stop trying to 'solve' nation wide housing issues by "changing Brentwood".	5/18/2025 8:29 AM
14	Why is the state pushing this year after year. Could you skip this waste of NH taxpayers' money and reduce our real estate taxes and school costs?	5/16/2025 8:04 AM
15	Stop destroying our town. Growth that is well thought out and developed within the building ordinances and standards should be maintained.	5/16/2025 7:45 AM
16	NH DES would be providing the town of Brentwood a disservice to "allow" or reduce the restrictions to allow development just to pretend solve the housing crisis. The housing crisis is truly not a shortage of houses but a shortage of affordable houses. There are houses out there, people need be fiscally responsible, save, and purchase in a location in line with their budgets. This is not a new issue and the state should stay out of it.	5/16/2025 7:13 AM
17	Brentwood community has strongly voiced their wanting to keep Brentwood rural. Overdevelopment is will directly go against the wishes of the community.	5/15/2025 7:43 PM
18	Brentwood is not a city and this grant and multiple surveys are a complete waste of state funds which could be used to reduce our high property taxes.	5/15/2025 6:52 PM

Q9 Would you support modifying Brentwood’s existing cluster subdivision regulations to allow for more flexibility and use in Town?

Answered: 69 Skipped: 11



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	34.78%	24
No	55.07%	38
Unsure	10.14%	7
TOTAL		69

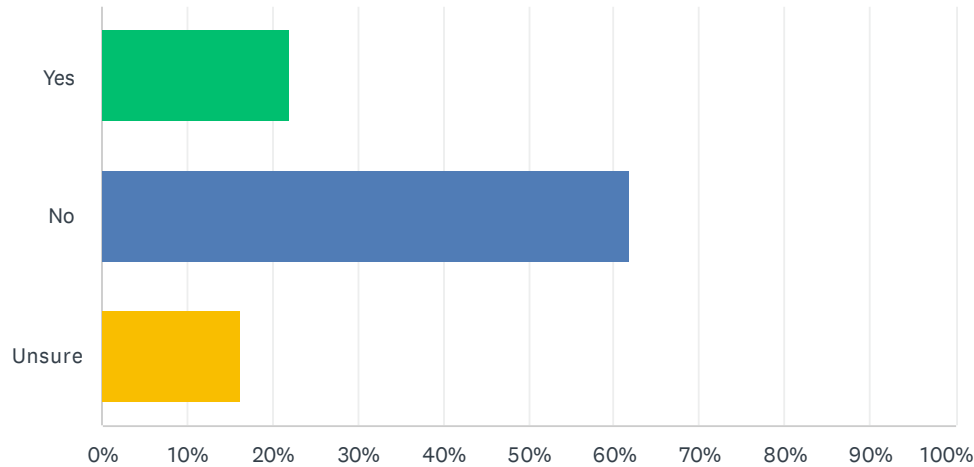
#	WHY OR WHY NOT?	DATE
1	The cluster housing on Crawley Falls is unattractive. If that design is the standard, I dont want them.	6/20/2025 12:02 PM
2	We need more housing.	6/20/2025 12:00 PM
3	As effective to increasing housing needs	6/20/2025 11:58 AM
4	we'd have to come up with a definition for the word flexibility	6/20/2025 11:53 AM
5	I believe it will lead to more crime!	6/20/2025 11:49 AM
6	I am fine with current cluster subdivision regulation	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
7	Never	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
8	Land protection and community	6/20/2025 11:00 AM
9	Doesnt meet the #1 value defined in the housing survey "protect rural character"	6/20/2025 10:01 AM
10	Because they all look the same then are unmaintained using our resources and space.	6/17/2025 2:31 PM
11	because to more low end housing you build the more of a tax burden cause the property tax does not cover the expenses. 55+ adds minimal costs.	6/17/2025 2:20 PM
12	NEVER Rules exist to protect us. you will ruin the town and act above the tules proceeding.	6/17/2025 2:10 PM
13	Never Rules exist to protect us- you lessen them and will overbuild and ruin the town - water, environment and animal habitats.	6/17/2025 2:01 PM

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14	Only for 55 and older	6/17/2025 1:51 PM
15	Keep the use as is.	6/17/2025 1:36 PM
16	the importance of open space cannot be more important	6/17/2025 1:28 PM
17	Preserve Brentwood. Read our past surveys.	6/12/2025 8:17 AM
18	But not only for over 55 housing.	6/10/2025 1:02 PM
19	Restrictions were established for a reason. Reducing the restrictions would be a breach of fiduciary responsibility to the townspeople and environmental protections.	6/10/2025 8:49 AM
20	People in this town spent a lot of money buying a specific home with specific existing rules. Those rules should not drastically change.	6/9/2025 9:05 PM
21	I want to keep the rural country feel of Brentwood.	6/9/2025 5:04 PM
22	This isn't Massachusetts - closer dwellings and multi families create issues. Keep the home values high so we can keep people that can afford it coming in and crime out.	6/9/2025 4:43 PM
23	You will change the rural character of Brentwood that residents wish to maintain for many reasons including climate change.	5/21/2025 8:29 AM
24	PRESERVE BRENTWOOD'S RURAL CHARACTER	5/18/2025 8:30 AM
25	Again, rules have been established for a reason. Any change to them should be by town vote.	5/16/2025 7:49 AM
26	Rules are created to protect people. Lessen the rules and you have created an unequal playing field for those that have lived/built within the restrictions set. When there is no water remaining, will NH DES or the town pay for a new well or for water sources? NO so my answer remains NO to lessening any rules or regulations especially without a long term analysis prepared by a completely independent company chosen by the townspeople (NOT the BOS).	5/16/2025 7:20 AM
27	Regulations should never be relaxed. Lack of oversight and relaxed rules always invites abuses. Rules were voted on and established for a reason. Long term effects will be negative to the Brentwood community.	5/15/2025 7:50 PM
28	NEVER SHOULD REGULATIONS BE RELAXED. Over time there will be no trees, no wildlife, no small rural communities.	5/15/2025 6:58 PM

Q10 In your opinion, should this type of residential development be incentivized with unit density bonuses?

Answered: 68 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	22.06% 15
No	61.76% 42
Unsure	16.18% 11
TOTAL	68

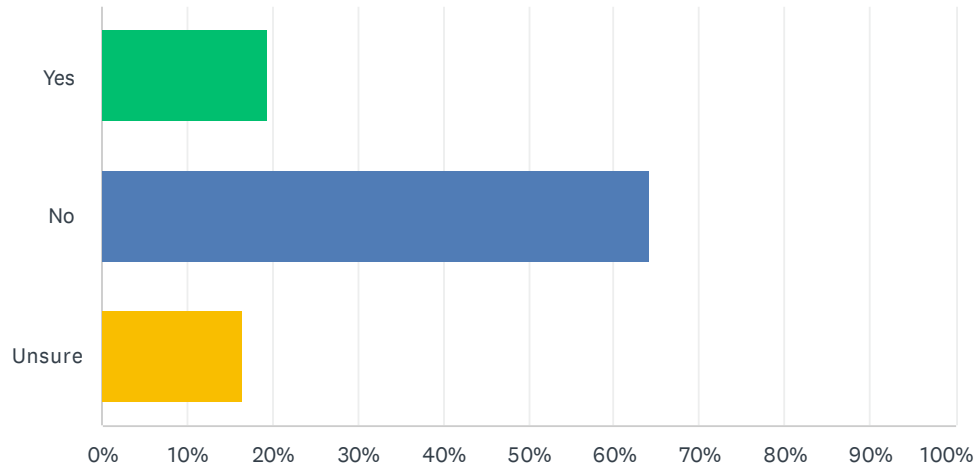
#	WHY OR WHY NOT?	DATE
1	Incentivized how and by whom? not on the backs of taxpayers	6/20/2025 12:02 PM
2	What would they be?	6/20/2025 12:00 PM
3	I would need to better understand the neat and extent of these houses	6/20/2025 11:58 AM
4	Depends on how much of an incentive	6/20/2025 11:53 AM
5	See question 1	6/20/2025 11:49 AM
6	- lack of services - will create water issues, disposal issues, increased costs	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
7	Absolutely NOT	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
8	Because it won't look good and the cost is not worth it	6/17/2025 2:31 PM
9	Not sure of the impact of this	6/17/2025 2:26 PM
10	My family pays in full for our property, taxes, and home. Never given incentives	6/17/2025 2:10 PM
11	Never- I paid full for my build - no incentives for building anything ever@	6/17/2025 2:01 PM
12	Waster of out already high-tax resources	6/17/2025 1:36 PM
13	do not want it to look too crowded	6/17/2025 1:28 PM
14	Absolutely NOT. Dumbest question ever. Provide incentives to build and destroy the environment to make thw builders more profit. Lol are you kidding me. Was this a trick	6/10/2025 8:49 AM

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	question? Please you are killing me.	
15	No, that's not the Brentwood character we want. There are many surrounding towns with that attraction if desired. Don't destroy ours.	6/9/2025 9:05 PM
16	You will change the rural character of Brentwood that residents wish to maintain for many reasons including climate change.	5/21/2025 8:29 AM
17	PRESERVE BRENTWOOD'S RURAL CHARACTER	5/18/2025 8:30 AM
18	Are you kidding with this question? Why would you incentivize a builder to build in a thriving community?	5/16/2025 8:06 AM
19	LOL - incentivize a builder to build - who wins? the builder. should I say more?	5/16/2025 7:49 AM
20	Incentives should not be provided to a thriving community ever. Why would you incentivize a builder to build more houses, cut trees, squish them in, take your money and run in a thriving community. Not good business planning on any level with this question.	5/16/2025 7:20 AM
21	Incentives should never be offered for building in a thriving Seacoast community. Revitalizing incentives tend to lead to overdevelopment.	5/15/2025 7:50 PM
22	Building should NEVER offer incentives. Every tom dick and Harry will build, get waivers and abuse the reduced codes. And why should someone else bear the burden of another's build project. We do not need revitalization in brentwood.	5/15/2025 6:58 PM

Q11 In your opinion, should this type of residential development be required for all new residential developments?

Answered: 67 Skipped: 13



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	19.40% 13
No	64.18% 43
Unsure	16.42% 11
TOTAL	67

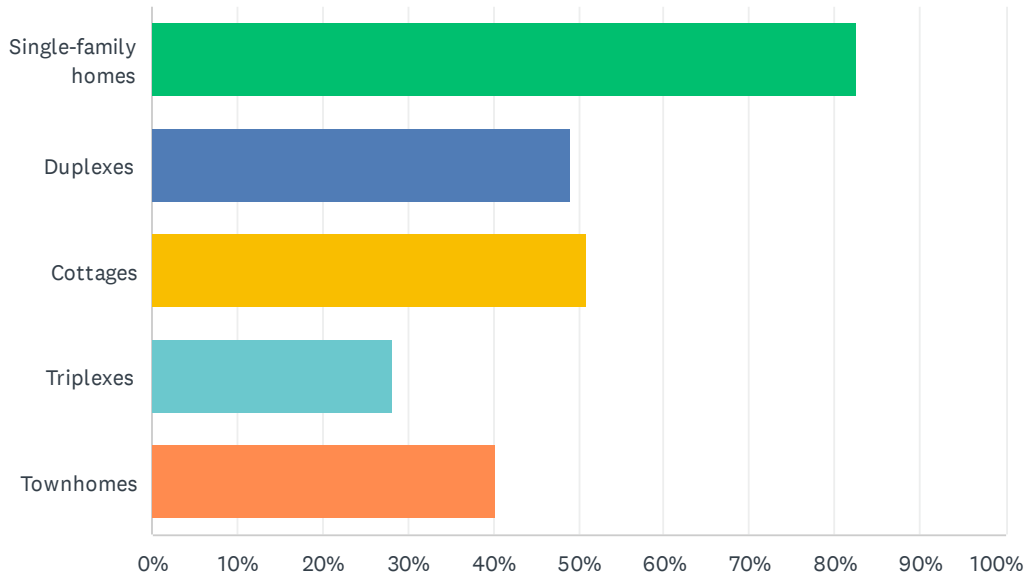
#	WHY OR WHY NOT?	DATE
1	If we are looking to make any change work you must start requiring implementation.	6/20/2025 12:00 PM
2	I dont believe in a mandate	6/20/2025 11:58 AM
3	lower property values and higher crime	6/20/2025 11:49 AM
4	Remaining open space is limited and cannot accommodate large developments	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
5	limited amount in commercial areas	6/20/2025 10:17 AM
6	I think incentivizing/strongly encouraging would be a good stat before requiring.	6/20/2025 10:08 AM
7	because keep Brentwood rural	6/17/2025 2:31 PM
8	Brentwood is too small of a town - not a city!	6/17/2025 2:10 PM
9	Brentwood is too small - town not a city every are cannot be cluster!	6/17/2025 2:01 PM
10	ABSOLUTELY NOT! you live here if you can afford to live here. if not, live where you can afford to live.	6/17/2025 1:36 PM
11	No more developments	6/10/2025 12:51 PM
12	Where are all the environmentalist and protection groups. We have serious global warming issues and you believe it's ok to utilize every inch and build a house which will not be affordable. Costs are thw costs and this area, those costs are high.	6/10/2025 8:49 AM
13	Too dense, will ruin our rural town.	6/9/2025 9:05 PM

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14	You will change the rural character of Brentwood that residents wish to maintain for many reasons including climate change.	5/21/2025 8:29 AM
15	PRESERVE BRENTWOOD'S RURAL CHARACTER	5/18/2025 8:30 AM
16	Keep brentwood rural and self sustainable.	5/16/2025 8:06 AM
17	Houses are not affordable because building costs are not affordable. Why should a town and current residents burden those costs or sacrifice.	5/16/2025 7:49 AM
18	Rules are in place for a reason and to change them, the townspeople should be involved by vote.	5/16/2025 7:20 AM
19	Thriving communities should never have building incentives. Builder build to make money and will build regardless. Buyers never benefit from builders incentives.	5/15/2025 7:50 PM
20	Never. For all the reasons previous listed.	5/15/2025 6:58 PM

Q12 Should additional residential uses be allowed in cluster subdivisions? (Check all that apply):

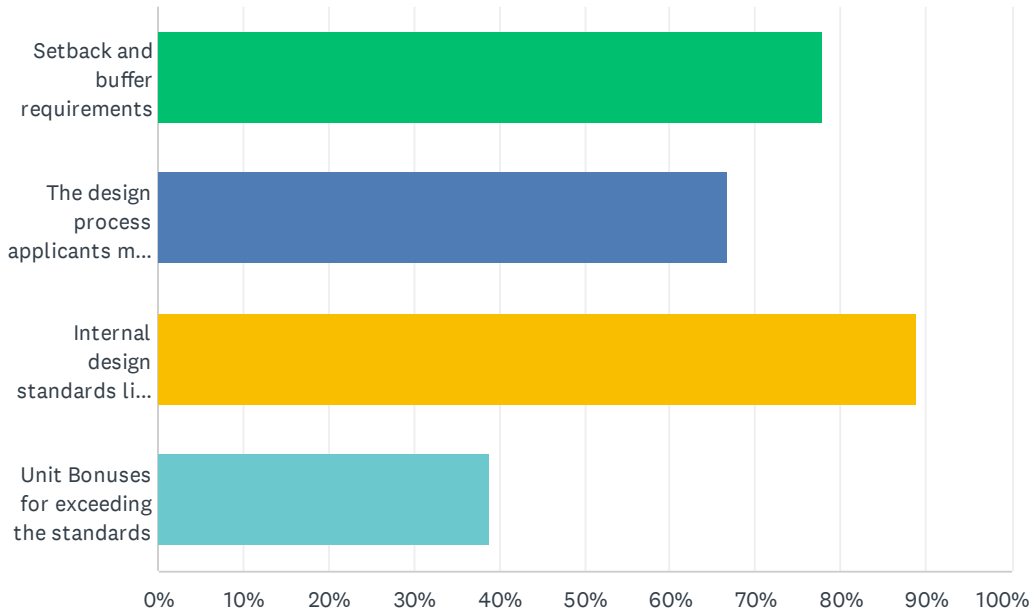
Answered: 57 Skipped: 23



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Single-family homes	82.46%	47
Duplexes	49.12%	28
Cottages	50.88%	29
Triplexes	28.07%	16
Townhomes	40.35%	23
Total Respondents: 57		

Q13 Are you in favor of revising the regulatory language to better address the following? (Check all that apply):

Answered: 36 Skipped: 44



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Setback and buffer requirements	77.78%	28
The design process applicants must follow	66.67%	24
Internal design standards like the percent and type of open space protection	88.89%	32
Unit Bonuses for exceeding the standards	38.89%	14
Total Respondents: 36		

Q14 General Feedback and Questions:

Answered: 28 Skipped: 52

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The "Are you in favor of revising the regulatory language to better address the following? (Check all that apply):" question is too vague, so no.	6/20/2025 12:02 PM
2	I am open to such language if it can be shown as an improvements, but I do feel that the current language is relatively effective.	6/20/2025 11:58 AM
3	No	6/20/2025 11:46 AM
4	What design requirements are there in town. Does Brentwood currently have a voice in design? I dont like unit bonuses - they create a burden on town services.	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
5	no cluster subdivisions nondevelopment or changes of housing	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
6	If it makes it easier to build	6/20/2025 10:24 AM
7	Dont want cluster subdivisions	6/20/2025 10:01 AM
8	- only if more restrictive Keep Brentwood rural and it had been voted on numerous times stop tying.	6/17/2025 2:31 PM
9	- Setback and buffer requirements - to restrict building requirements not to expand. - internal design standards like the percent and type of open space protection - if more restrictive - unit bonuses for exceeding the standards - no	6/17/2025 2:20 PM
10	- Setback and buffer requirements - only to restrict not expand - the design process applicants must follow - no waivers/variances - internal design standards like the percent and type of open space protection - need to be restrictive - unit bonuses for exceeding the standards - just plain NO.	6/17/2025 2:10 PM
11	Setback and buffer requirements - only to restrict and NOT expand The design process applicants must follow - No waivers or variances Internal design standards like the percent and type of open space protection - need to be restrictive Unit bonuses for exceeding the standards - no no no	6/17/2025 2:01 PM
12	No No	6/17/2025 1:51 PM
13	None Keep current regulations	6/17/2025 1:39 PM
14	No.	6/17/2025 1:36 PM
15	NO	6/17/2025 1:31 PM
16	The town still needs to have some control on the process	6/17/2025 1:28 PM
17	Preserve Brentwood. Read the past surveys.	6/16/2025 2:22 PM
18	100% NO. Rules are in place for our and the environments safety. What don't you understand.	6/10/2025 8:49 AM
19	I don't like question 13 because a yes could mean easing rules and removing zoning laws, I would prefer them become much more strict if we end up with additional housing types.	6/9/2025 9:05 PM
20	I think taking an approach similar to the gove, old Gordon, Sherman, Flanders, Northrop neighborhood should be revisited. It's a very active neighborhood with bikers, horseback riding, and dog walkers using the neighborhood recreationally. The housing and lot sizes start small and gradually work towards larger lots and houses. There is not a single house out of 60+ that is the same. That's what I would like to see in town. Not really interested in the same three story housing developments. The town has beyond its needed inventory of those.	6/9/2025 7:35 PM
21	Please be careful with the types of developments you are considering. Residents are STILL upset about the building of Three Ponds. They are small houses on postage stamp size yards and they are selling for \$800K?? That's beyond ridiculous! And the only people buying there	6/9/2025 5:04 PM

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are out-of-staters who do not want to become part of our community. Build something that people who grew up here can afford to live in!

22	This isn't Massachusetts - closer dwellings and multi families create issues. Keep the home values high so we can keep people that can afford it coming in and crime out. My husband grew up in an area with multi family homes and did all he could to get away from that. If people want those types of homes they can look elsewhere. Brentwood is a town where there are million dollar homes now and high taxes - let's keep it that way. KEEP THE CRIME OUT. Multi family houses are Massachusetts and areas like Salem Nh - keep them there, not here	6/9/2025 4:43 PM
23	You will change the rural character of Brentwood that residents wish to maintain for many reasons including climate change.	5/21/2025 8:29 AM
24	Not in favor or reducing building codes or ordinances which have been established to keep us safe.	5/16/2025 8:06 AM
25	Never reduce regulations - they were established for a reason and if a change is required, the townspeople should have that vote.	5/16/2025 7:49 AM
26	Only if more stringent and in line with the small, rural town feel Brentwood offers.	5/16/2025 7:20 AM
27	Again rules exist for reasons, thriving communities should never reduce the rule/codes nor should incentives be provided.	5/15/2025 7:50 PM
28	No. Never relax codes. To many abusive builders will break all the rules.	5/15/2025 6:58 PM

Q15 What stands out most to you about the role Workforce Housing could play in Brentwood? (Is anything you learned today surprising, helpful, or important to you?)

Answered: 52 Skipped: 28

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I am not in favor of workforce housing	6/20/2025 12:09 PM
2	Workforce Housing law should be repealed statewide. It will only ruin our rural town	6/20/2025 12:08 PM
3	If workforce housing is based on people working in this area with no available housing, I guess I dont understand who these people are. how any people are commenting to Brentwood? Maybe I'm just unaware.	6/20/2025 12:02 PM
4	Informing the residents of the choices	6/20/2025 12:00 PM
5	A way to diversify and to maintain and/or bring people into the community	6/20/2025 11:58 AM
6	Housing for the young working age people working in the area who can not afford existing market rate homes	6/20/2025 11:53 AM
7	It will lower property values, it will increase crime - how about the idea of: 1) Apt - save 2) Small affordable house - build equity 3) Bigger house - the old fashion way	6/20/2025 11:49 AM
8	Not necessary	6/20/2025 11:46 AM
9	Increased congestion and service costs to tax payers nothing surprised me	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
10	We've heard that younger Brentwood residents cant afford a house in Brentwood. Workforce Housing is a possibility (no guarantees in lots) but it does not more that Brentwood residents would be the beneficiaries of them.	6/20/2025 11:08 AM
11	Housing in Brentwood is not affordable for most working families. I believe this will draw families out of this community to its detriment.	6/20/2025 11:00 AM
12	we need teachers, police officers, nurses, EMTs, electricians, construction folks, etc. etc. in our community and they cannot afford to live here! Who is going to take care of all the people in the 55+ communities??	6/20/2025 10:54 AM
13	We must provide places for young adults to thrive in this town. we need all ages, all perspectives, all education levels, and all income ranges to have a place in this community.	6/20/2025 10:34 AM
14	Lower income costs if you fall under the guidelines	6/20/2025 10:24 AM
15	Would help with lower income families	6/20/2025 10:23 AM
16	I didn't realize we were out of compliance with the state.	6/20/2025 10:17 AM
17	I believe Brentwood has already done enough to accommodate extra population. Any further action will deteriorate the town's image	6/20/2025 10:14 AM
18	Affordable housing and bringing younger people to town. Mixed use work/live neat center would create a town center	6/20/2025 10:12 AM
19	I think it is necessary to maintain a diverse and thriving community	6/20/2025 10:08 AM
20	I dont believe workforce housing belongs in Brentwood. That said, I think we MUST update our ordinances to meet the MINIMUM NH state law requirements. to protect against lawsuits or court orders that will/could allow WORSE things	6/20/2025 10:01 AM
21	Its a force its fake it is the state blowing smoke up where the sun don't shine. People buy where you can afford live within your means if you cant live here dont come.	6/17/2025 2:34 PM
22	Yes, learned about the different housing possibilities in Brentwood	6/17/2025 2:27 PM

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23	We need more!	6/17/2025 2:25 PM
24	Brentwood should be a community for professional people with a professional income there are communities I would live to live in but cannot so Brentwood should not accommodate those who cannot.	6/17/2025 2:23 PM
25	Nothing - Brentwood is a relatively high net worth area- young professionals may not get to live here until they become established. people should nly live where they can afford.	6/17/2025 2:13 PM
26	None/nothing - Brentwood is a relatively high net worth area - young professional may not get paid to live n this area until they get established - I dont live in the Hamptons because I cant afford it I am a professional.	6/17/2025 2:04 PM
27	Who would build workforce housing when they can make 1 mil on new houses.	6/17/2025 1:53 PM
28	Do not want workforce housing. Concerns that impact on water and sewer not enough water	6/17/2025 1:45 PM
29	My concerns are water and sewer	6/17/2025 1:43 PM
30	I understand some people cannot afford to live in Brentwood. I cannot afford ocean front housing. Should ocean front housing be made available to me just because I cannot afford it? I have always lived where I could afford the property.	6/17/2025 1:41 PM
31	Its impact would be negative	6/17/2025 1:38 PM
32	We do not need this	6/17/2025 1:31 PM
33	That it is going to be tough to accomplish, as the developers must be willing to build smaller, less expensive homes to fill the need	6/17/2025 1:29 PM
34	workforce = Section 8 = low income housing	6/17/2025 1:24 PM
35	I would bring in younger families first starting out. Very important we also need to work with banks so families can get a stronger loan.	6/17/2025 1:22 PM
36	Not needed in Brentwood. The NH law also has no incentives for town or developers to comply	6/16/2025 2:27 PM
37	It's not needed in Brentwood. We are an expensive rural community. This is a GOOD thing. It's WHY it's expensive. People are willing to pay a lot to live here. Dont screw that up.	6/12/2025 8:20 AM
38	Affordability	6/10/2025 3:26 PM
39	You live where you can afford and work where you get a job. No one has a RIGHT to live where they work.	6/10/2025 8:53 AM
40	I learned that Brentwood has zero need for workforce housing. There is ample affordable housing outside within shorter commuting distance than I currently drive. The wording of this poster creates a false narrative that we are at risk of being sued. With Manchester and other areas within 30 minutes of Brentwood that requirement is more than met.	6/9/2025 9:16 PM
41	We don't need workforce housing in Brentwood.	6/9/2025 5:11 PM
42	Terrible idea	6/9/2025 4:44 PM
43	Could provide people with affordable housing and availability of housing.	5/30/2025 4:44 PM
44	I learned other towns have created zoning ordinances that meet the letter of the law but does not incentivize builders to build these kinds of developments. They are looking out for the residents and not trying to change their towns.	5/21/2025 8:35 AM
45	We need to meet the minimum state law requirements to prevent lawsuits. At same time, do NOT incent workforce housing. NH RSA 674: 58-61 does NOT mandate providing incentives for workforce housing other than supporting a developer who wants to build homes for people who meet the "workforce" requirements. Look at other similar towns and copy what they have done. They are meeting the law but don't have workforce housing developments (which don't fit a rural community like ours)	5/18/2025 8:40 AM
46	Brentwood is not following NH Law, and that should be corrected. Our town would benefit from new housing that would be available to young families, police officers, teachers, etc!	5/16/2025 9:33 AM
47	Nothing good.	5/16/2025 8:12 AM

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48	This is a joke and unrealistic.	5/16/2025 7:52 AM
49	This is a government joke. Wake up and pay attention. You work where you can get a job. You live where you can afford. NO one should be given a home they did not work for as they will have no vested interest. Teach people to live within their means and save, set goals, and aspire to grow. Handouts long-term do not work. No one has a right to live where they work and this type of housing in Brentwood would not solve a housing crisis since the area is thriving and not affordable to the current residents. Subsidizing others will only negatively affect current residents.	5/16/2025 7:30 AM
50	Live within your budget. Work hard and save and you will eventually be able to live in a more desired location. I have no interest in paying for someone to live beyond their means. I work hard to support my family. Our local employment is reasonable and if not, you may have to drive an hour. I don't live in Boston because I cannot afford to.	5/15/2025 7:58 PM
51	No one would build housing for less than they can sell at full price.	5/15/2025 7:45 PM
52	None. This is a joke. Work where you can and live where you can afford. I did it by saving and hard work. Everyone can do it. Learn to be frugal and live within your means.	5/15/2025 7:00 PM

Q16 What questions, ideas, or concerns do you have about how Brentwood should come into compliance with the State's Workforce Housing Law moving forward?

Answered: 43 Skipped: 37

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	can this state law be repealed?	6/20/2025 12:09 PM
2	State's workforce housing law should be repealed	6/20/2025 12:08 PM
3	The workforce housing law has no enforceability. so I'm not concerned about compliance at this point.	6/20/2025 12:02 PM
4	We need to be compliant	6/20/2025 11:58 AM
5	Come into compliance!	6/20/2025 11:56 AM
6	no concerns - the R.E. market and land costs will ensure that this wont be section 8 housing	6/20/2025 11:53 AM
7	Sure the state	6/20/2025 11:49 AM
8	For my entire work life, my minimum commute was 1 hr 10 minutes. If you'd like to work in New Hampshire, jumping in your car and drive to work - from wherever you choose to live.	6/20/2025 11:46 AM
9	That this is imposed on the town residents- young people are move likely to move where there is a social life and amenities of interest, the majority will not choose a small town like Brentwood	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
10	Leave Brentwood rural	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
11	We need to act! Not only do we need housing that is more affordable but we could face a lawsuit	6/20/2025 10:54 AM
12	allowing more housing in places that would keep Brentwood rural but placing workforce housing in commercial areas.	6/20/2025 10:17 AM
13	?	6/20/2025 10:12 AM
14	Brentwood shouldn't thats my idea and Brentwood doesn't have the infrastructure or means to support it. Power water sewer we have none.	6/17/2025 2:34 PM
15	It is important that Brentwood be in compliance with the housing law. We need to have more affordable housing if we want to grow as a town. we want people to want to live in Brentwood.	6/17/2025 2:27 PM
16	I just think we should do it!	6/17/2025 2:25 PM
17	We should do 55+ to show Brentwood is being compliant. But 55+ will minimize the tax impact. 55+ does not use schools or many services as tenant housing.	6/17/2025 2:23 PM
18	Repetitive surveys and Select Board who push their agenda this is NOT what Brentwood townspeople have state MANY times.	6/17/2025 2:13 PM
19	Consultant surveys and Select Board who push their agenda that is NOT what Brentwood townspeople have repeatedly stated!	6/17/2025 2:04 PM
20	The law has no teeth - ignore	6/17/2025 1:53 PM
21	There shouldn't be a law	6/17/2025 1:45 PM
22	There shouldn't be a law-	6/17/2025 1:43 PM
23	I am concerned about the safety and property values	6/17/2025 1:41 PM
24	Change the law. There should be no requirement to live close to where you work. you live	6/17/2025 1:38 PM

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where you live, you work where you work, and you make it work. individual initiative, self help, no subsidies!

25	Quit the NIMBYY Bullshit - we need this!	6/17/2025 1:34 PM
26	Sue the state - I am against this	6/17/2025 1:31 PM
27	Fight this state/fed destruction of our town	6/17/2025 1:24 PM
28	get something on the books	6/17/2025 1:22 PM
29	Will workforce housing increase value to home and land owners, coming from Rochester Workforce housing can attract high crime individuals is there a screening process?	6/17/2025 1:19 PM
30	Copy what other rural towns have done. Protect us legally but do NOT incent or readily welcome workforce housing.	6/16/2025 2:27 PM
31	Meet the minimum requirements of state law so we are not sued. Don't promote it. It's not needed in Brentwood.	6/12/2025 8:20 AM
32	Concern is increased density	6/10/2025 3:26 PM
33	Provide bare minimum to meet requirements only. NO extra effort required.	6/10/2025 8:53 AM
34	That again, Brentwood residents will take a hit over the tax burden of making these units available indirectly by having to subsidize multifamily and dense housing options as they will result in a net increase in tax burden shifted to single family home owners.	6/9/2025 9:16 PM
35	I think Brentwood should remain a home ownership community. Make lot sizes smaller maybe starting at 3/4 of an acre for a few step it up to 1 acre then to 1.25 and the. To 1.5 and each lot can have a different sq ft max hopefully resulting in different designs of housing inventory	6/9/2025 8:05 PM
36	Look at other town's regulations which meet the letter of the law but does not encourage builders to build work force housing.	5/21/2025 8:35 AM
37	Meet minimum requirements. Do NOT incent this type of development. Preserve the rural character of Brentwood.	5/18/2025 8:40 AM
38	No one has a right to live where they work and government interference with placement seems to be an overreach of government and a slap in the face to those who have made sacrifices to have home ownership in this town.	5/16/2025 8:12 AM
39	Comply to the rules and be transparent with the townspeople the true impacts - positive and negative.	5/16/2025 7:52 AM
40	Do the bare minimum to comply and not at the detriment of the small town, rural character Brentwood citizens have expressed to maintain.	5/16/2025 7:30 AM
41	Brentwood needs to comply with the law to the least impact to the small rural community it is.	5/15/2025 7:58 PM
42	The state reps should be working for residents of Brentwood.	5/15/2025 7:45 PM
43	This law is a joke and disturbing.	5/15/2025 7:00 PM

Q17 What types of people in Brentwood, or your own life, do you think could benefit from more Workforce Housing options?

Answered: 50 Skipped: 30

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	prefer they live in more urban areas where there are more conveniences and resources for them	6/20/2025 12:09 PM
2	Workforce Housing belongs in Massachusetts	6/20/2025 12:08 PM
3	I dont know that it is a need here	6/20/2025 12:02 PM
4	first time homebuyers, retired folks downsizing	6/20/2025 12:00 PM
5	- younger people 0 those who ate starting out to raise families	6/20/2025 11:58 AM
6	Police, fire, nursing, teachers, plumbers, electricians	6/20/2025 11:56 AM
7	Young people who have grown up and went to school in Brentwood	6/20/2025 11:53 AM
8	no one I would prefer to live with - I believe it will lower property values and increase crime	6/20/2025 11:49 AM
9	None	6/20/2025 11:46 AM
10	None	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
11	N/A	6/20/2025 11:24 AM
12	Teachers, police officers, young families, tradespeople	6/20/2025 11:00 AM
13	People who work hard for the betterment of our community (folks in the trades, farmers, nurses, teachers, police officers, EMTs, fire fighters, etc. etc)	6/20/2025 10:54 AM
14	My son for example. He is a tradesman who earns a decent living, but could never afford to live in Brentwood. I want people who can fix my plumbing, or wire my house, or repair my car to be able to live here.	6/20/2025 10:34 AM
15	So the workforce can live in the area as well as young families. Allows seniors to stay in the community.	6/20/2025 10:17 AM
16	Persons who need temporary housing	6/20/2025 10:14 AM
17	young, students, lower income, entrepreneurs	6/20/2025 10:12 AM
18	Young families, first responders, teachers, town employees, retirees.	6/20/2025 10:08 AM
19	I dont think we need it. I dont see it benefiting anyone really. there are no incentives (for town or developers) from state to do this	6/20/2025 10:01 AM
20	younger families and workers that are local and have more interest in the town.	6/20/2025 9:57 AM
21	no one because if you are living in it means you cant bigger and are unresponsive there fore we should not allow it because why allow what is unbenefitful from anyone.	6/17/2025 2:34 PM
22	Yes!	6/17/2025 2:27 PM
23	All	6/17/2025 2:25 PM
24	None. Establish yourself then move to a community you can afford.	6/17/2025 2:23 PM
25	None - I am a UNH graduate living with my family until I become established enough on my own. At that time, I will purchase my own home, likely not in Brentwood because I would like to be able to afford housing whew not ruining the town I was raised in my entire life. (I'd like yo visit and see it as I've always known it to be)	6/17/2025 2:13 PM
26	None - My UNH Graduate will continue to live with us, save and get established when able -	6/17/2025 2:04 PM

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purchase her own home and get a price affordable to here. SAVE \$ you will succeed.

27	I know lots of people who could benefit from all kinds of housing. There are towns and cities better prepared to offer varied housing. Municipalities that have water, sewer, public transportation, jobs. Brentwood has undeveloped land that should be cherished and saved.	6/17/2025 1:53 PM
28	None	6/17/2025 1:45 PM
29	No one - live where you can afford to live	6/17/2025 1:41 PM
30	None.	6/17/2025 1:38 PM
31	None!	6/17/2025 1:31 PM
32	New families retired families single WORKING young people	6/17/2025 1:22 PM
33	Working young adults and families	6/17/2025 1:19 PM
34	No one. We chose to live in an expensive rural town. It's that way because we don't have the problems that multi-family, rentals, smaller cheap homes, and workforce housing will bring.	6/16/2025 2:27 PM
35	No one in Brentwood.	6/12/2025 8:20 AM
36	None. My kids will learn responsibly and live within their means to grow and be self reliant to earn their place. They will be better people and respect their efforts.	6/10/2025 8:53 AM
37	Blue collar workers older in their careers or married blue collar workers who may or may not have or want kids.	6/9/2025 8:05 PM
38	Teachers, town employees, newly weds, single parents	6/9/2025 7:03 PM
39	I have a son and his family that even making \$150k can barely afford rent in this area (Exeter average \$2500 to \$3000 a month). They are renting now, but I would prefer to see them in their own house.	6/9/2025 5:11 PM
40	None that fit into town	6/9/2025 4:44 PM
41	Anyone.	5/30/2025 4:44 PM
42	I am sure many people would benefit from being subsidized to live in any town they cannot afford. I know when I bought my first house I would have loved to live in a better town than I could afford. Instead I bought a lower cost home needing renovations in a city I could afford. I worked two jobs as did my partner. We did not eat out, we economized until we could afford a down payment. We sacrificed. Now this would offer people a discount on what we worked decades to achieve.	5/21/2025 8:35 AM
43	No one. Per NH Business Review ""That's the problem with the legislation as it's written," It wants an ideal but does not incentivize people going out to do it, especially when certain counties and municipalities might have a constituency that is averse to workforce housing." Update zoning to COMPLY and do NOT zone them out. Then let it go...move on. No developer is going to build a \$350,000 house in Brentwood NH when people who can afford to move here will pay more than \$800,000 for a home. Stop drinking the housing crisis kool-aid.	5/18/2025 8:40 AM
44	Lots of people who have good jobs but just don't have the ability to buy a million dollar home	5/16/2025 9:33 AM
45	None, I was brought up to pay my way and leave the path better than I found it. If I want something, I earned it. Having a vested interest always proves more satisfying.	5/16/2025 8:12 AM
46	none	5/16/2025 7:52 AM
47	None. Brentwood is a small town that is relatively local to many larger towns and cities that are more developed to handle mass housing (affordable or not).	5/16/2025 7:30 AM
48	None. Brentwood needs to remain a small rural community with single family homes and senior communities:	5/15/2025 7:58 PM
49	I would benefit from work force housing in the coast of Rye.	5/15/2025 7:45 PM
50	None. People need to live where they can afford and within their budgets.	5/15/2025 7:00 PM

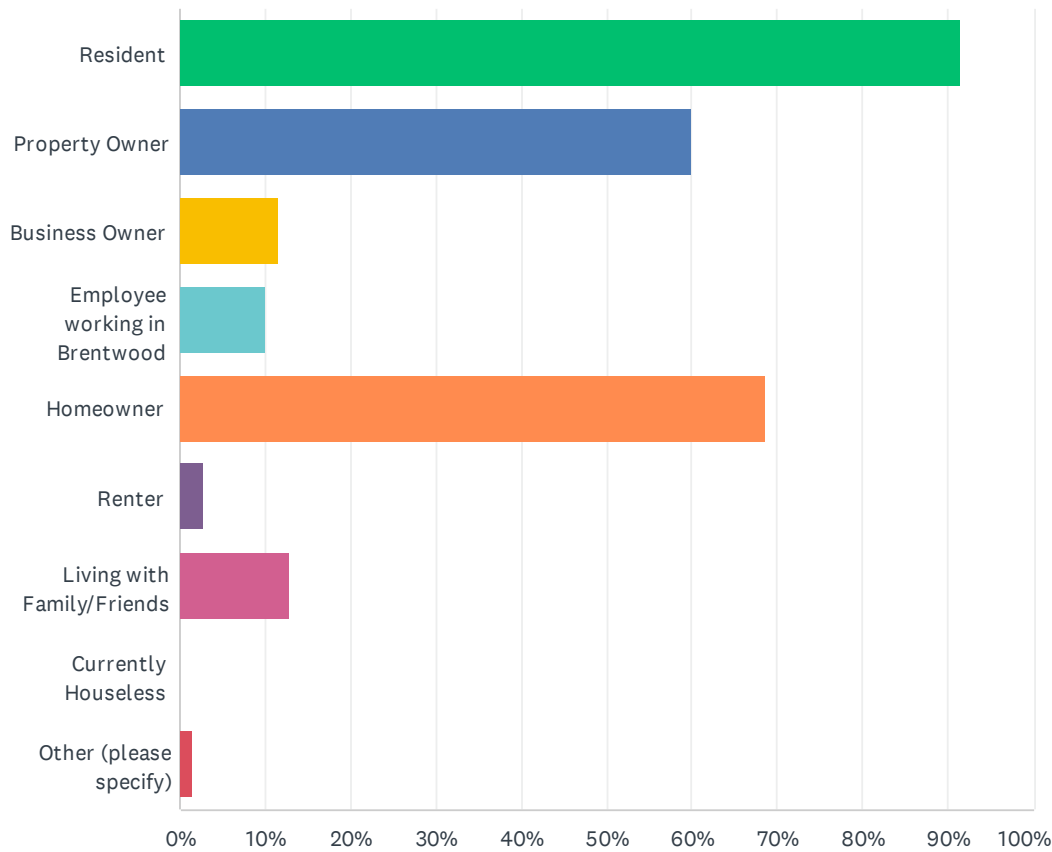
Q18 General Feedback and Questions:

Answered: 18 Skipped: 62

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We have an ordinance pricer - the W.F. housing that was built was of a higher value than existing, abutting housing	6/20/2025 11:53 AM
2	Keep this town rural	6/20/2025 11:46 AM
3	It would have been more productive and less stressful if Brentwood residents worked on this, Bringing in outside funded by a grant sets a tone of imposition. We as a town have always been able to think through and solve issues intentionally	6/20/2025 11:28 AM
4	See #1	6/20/2025 11:08 AM
5	Thank yo for all the hard work on this question! I am so pleased with how proactive Brentwood has been	6/20/2025 10:54 AM
6	Why do we keep trying to change minds and votes on something that has been voted against. We do not want it. you want city go to Boston want a mess go to Exeter dont bring it to Brentwood!	6/17/2025 2:34 PM
7	Stop trying to change Brentwood, Brentwood is not Massachusetts we do not need multi-family homes and all the wants and needs of other states and communities. I find it insulting to us Brentwood residents who keep saying we do not want this but yet we keep going forward with it. Some places just aren to meant for everyone to afford and Brentwood is one of them.	6/17/2025 2:23 PM
8	Again, TAKE YOUR LOSS AND MOVE ON. This is not going to happen in Brentwood for the gazillionth time.	6/17/2025 2:13 PM
9	When will the next survey be so I can again repeat repeat repeat. You will NOT wear me down.	6/17/2025 2:04 PM
10	Because of past experiences with the Charente and Jon Morgan lying about our ability to have input on what would happen than passing paying for clearing land, a road, and pickle ball and not allowing residents to vote I am very suspicious of this event and the state people paid to be here.	6/17/2025 1:53 PM
11	Leave out town as it is	6/17/2025 1:38 PM
12	No matter how many times the planning board asks residents of Brentwood will tell you, find a way to meet your town's needs. Maintain open space. Protect our water supply. Generations are counting on you to steward these natural resources that once lost cannot be replaced. Stop jumping on the latest housing fad. Do some research on cities in MA that did creative housing and see where it has ever succeeded. It never does. The only ones who benefit are the people working in the construction/ development industry.	5/21/2025 8:35 AM
13	Fix zoning to make us legal and eliminate threats of lawsuits. Then focus on preserving the rural nature of our town and NOT solving the national/state housing shortage. Let the economy and supply/demand laws of real estate economics fix that.	5/18/2025 8:40 AM
14	Taxpayers of Brentwood have multiple times responded to multiple surveys indicating the wants to keep Brentwood a rural community.	5/16/2025 8:12 AM
15	Brentwood should remain a rural community.	5/16/2025 7:52 AM
16	Brentwood citizens have taken multiple surveys expressing they want Brentwood to remain a small, quiet, rural, scenic town and overdevelopment with ruin this feel.	5/16/2025 7:30 AM
17	Keep Brentwood rural!	5/15/2025 7:58 PM
18	Keep Brentwood rural.	5/15/2025 7:00 PM

Q19 Are you a (please check all that apply)

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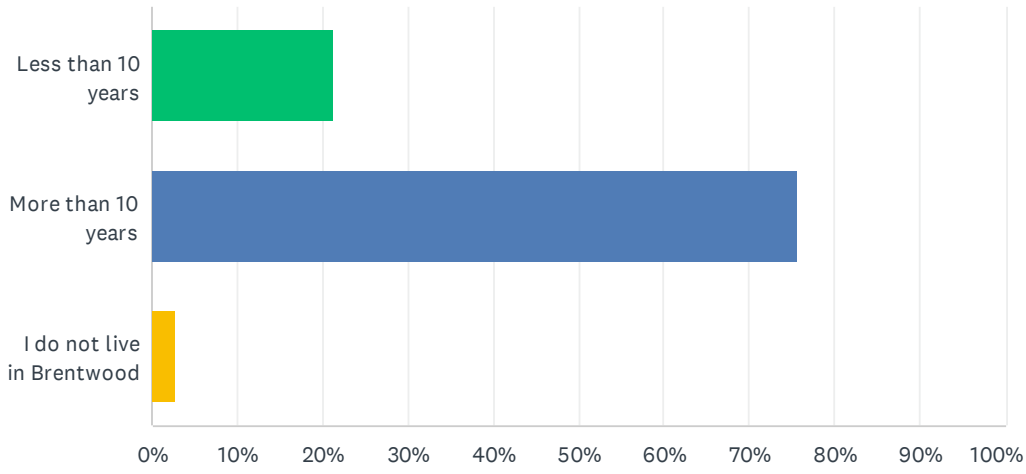


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Resident	91.43% 64
Property Owner	60.00% 42
Business Owner	11.43% 8
Employee working in Brentwood	10.00% 7
Homeowner	68.57% 48
Renter	2.86% 2
Living with Family/Friends	12.86% 9
Currently Houseless	0.00% 0
Other (please specify)	1.43% 1
Total Respondents: 70	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Planning Board	6/17/2025 1:22 PM

Q20 How long have you lived in Brentwood?

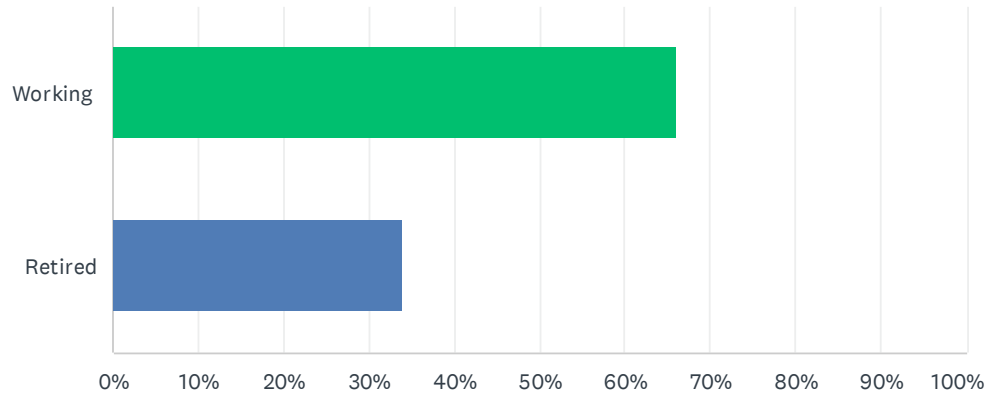
Answered: 70 Skipped: 10



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 10 years	21.43%	15
More than 10 years	75.71%	53
I do not live in Brentwood	2.86%	2
TOTAL		70

Q21 Are you:

Answered: 68 Skipped: 12



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Working	66.18%	45
Retired	33.82%	23
TOTAL		68