

**Town of Newcomb  
Comprehensive Plan  
Stakeholder Interview Summary**

Responses are ranked by the number of times given.

1. What do you like about Newcomb?

- Born and raised here (3x)
- Natural beauty/scenery (3x)
- Quiet (3x)
- People willing to help one another (2x)
- People (2x)
- Great community for kids to grow up in (2)
- Small town/community atmosphere (2)
- Sense of community (2)
- Fishing and hunting (2x)
- School (2x)
- Off the beaten path (2x)
- Support for senior citizens (2x)
- Everyone knows everyone
- History
- Outdoors
- Location of my house
- Great community for families
- Love the land
- Like the location
- Location of my house
- It's in the country
- Isolation
- Low taxes
- Enjoy the four seasons
- School System
- Hiking trails and canoeing
- Calming place
- Ski lift and skating pond
- Youth programs
- Health center
- Recreational opportunities
- Community services

2. What don't you like about Newcomb?

- Distance to everything (6x)
- Isolation (5x)
- Weather (2x)
- Lack of services (i.e. restaurant, gas station)
- Certain attitudes of the residents
- Lack of business opportunities
- Lack of employment opportunities
- Wrong Town priorities
- Adirondack Park Agency
- Amount of state owned land
- Truck traffic
- No wood industry benefits
- Black flies
- Mud season
- People
- Supervisor
- No fresh food
- View of some of the people can be tight
- School is so small, if there is a few bad students of a particular age it has a large impact on other students
- We need to ask hard questions, we're paying \$4 million for 60 kids

3. What would you like to see changed?

- Broadband
- The re-use of the NL site
- Promote businesses such as inns and low key businesses that conform to the character of the community (2)
- Promote the outdoors and outdoor activities to attract more people who enjoy such activities
- Opportunities with Finch Pruyn land transfer such as a network of mountain biking trails at Goodnow and Gooley Club
- Don't want to see purchase the rest of Finch Pruyn lands, it will impact on taxes and the State needs to pay its fair share of the property taxes
- Like to see some more development of property to support town
- Require tuition for grades 7-12
- Eatery
- Can't think of anything
- New blood (2)
- Can't think of anything/like the way it is now (2)
- Restaurant in town
- Good grocery store
- The Supervisor
- The Town Board
- Identify that one has arrived in Newcomb on the High Peaks sign
- More parking at trailheads
- More trails for snowmobilers
- Need treed trees to hide Town Hall and Fire Department
- Industry
- Mining and logging
- Need a pool or YMCA
- Lodging
- Facility for seniors, not necessarily a retirement home

4. What would you like not to see change?

- The school (4x)
- Don't want to grow to big like Lake George Village, Old Forge, Tupper Lake (3x)
- No Over development (2x)
- The peace and quiet (2x)
- Increase in population to 1,500
- Don't make city out of Newcomb
- Character of the Town
- The low key atmosphere
- Fire and EMT services, don't want to lose them
- Don't want to see VIC or Santanoni go
- Don't want to become a really, really busy resort town
- Don't believe golf course is the answer or another nine holes, we need to focus on other priorities like jobs and the school
- Preserve the viewsheds
- Don't want to see State formula on funding via the Forest Preserve change
- No big companies
- Sense of community
- Don't become a busy resort town