

Survey Metrics

Date Metrics		Deployment Metrics	
Start Date	21-Mar-18	Sent	2
End Date	19-Oct-27	Delivered	2
		Bounced	0

Response Metrics	
Completed	311
Unique Access Rate	0.00%
Incomplete	0
Incomplete Incl. in Report	0

Frequency Table

Q 1 How long have you been a resident of North Smithfield?

	Less than 1 year		1-5 years		6-10 years		11 or more years		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	7	2.25%	30	9.65%	38	12.22%	234	75.24%	2	0.64%	311

Q 2 What is your age group?

	Under 18		18-30		31-45		46-64		65 and older		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	22	7.07%	14	4.50%	50	16.08%	124	39.87%	98	31.51%	3	0.96%	311

Q 3 Are you male or female?

	Male		Female		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	152	48.87%	152	48.87%	7	2.25%	311

Q 4 Why did you choose to live in North Smithfield? Please rank your top three choices (1,2,3)?

	Small/rural town atmosphere	Quality of schools	Family and friends nearby	Lived here all my life	Close to work	Scenic beauty	Housing affordability or cost	Other	Convenience of services	Agricultural/farming aspects	Did not answer
Rank 1	85	55	38	65	15	9	15	13	4	5	
Rank 2	78	48	48	7	39	37	22	3	13	9	
Rank 3	64	33	38	11	34	40	25	15	21	23	
Weighted Rank (Score)	1 (475)	2 (294)	3 (248)	4 (220)	5 (157)	6 (141)	7 (114)	8 (60)	9 (59)	10 (56)	

Q 5 If other, please specify.

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Q 6 How do you feel about the present quality of life in North Smithfield?

	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	66	21.22%	178	57.23%	60	19.29%	5	1.61%	2	0.64%	311

A Q 7 List a community to which you think North Smithfield should compare itself and why?

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Q 8 School population has decreased since 2010 and is projected to decrease through 2026. Very recently, in 2018, we have seen an increase. What are your thoughts on school population trends?

	Will continue to decrease		Will level out		Will begin to increase		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	70	22.51%	148	47.59%	84	27.01%	9	2.89%	311

Q 9 Does the town recreation program adequately meet your needs?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	197	63.34%	103	33.12%	11	3.54%	311

A Q 10 If no, how can it be improved?

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Q 11 Should the town continue to participate in the acquisition and/or preservation of open space dedicated to passive recreation and conservation?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	267	85.85%	36	11.58%	8	2.57%	311

Q 12 Should the town acquire more small parcels for green space in the village centers?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	224	72.03%	81	26.05%	6	1.93%	311

Q 13 Do you currently utilize the parks and playgrounds in North Smithfield?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	159	51.13%	148	47.59%	4	1.29%	311

Q 14 Would you be in favor of supporting and expanding the following in North Smithfield? Check all that are important to you.

	Public Parks		Bike Paths		Recreational Facilities (athletic fields, etc.)		Open space protection (passive recreation)		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	194	62.38%	230	73.95%	128	41.16%	213	68.49%	13	4.18%	311

Multiple answers per participant possible. Percentages added may exceed 100 since a participant may select more than one answer for this question.

Q 15 Do you believe the town has done a good job protecting its natural resources?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	204	65.59%	96	30.87%	11	3.54%	311

A Q 16 If no, what should the town do to afford greater protection?

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Q 17 Do you believe the town has done a good job protecting its cultural resources?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	231	74.28%	65	20.90%	15	4.82%	311

A Q 18 If no, what should the town do to afford greater protection?

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Q 19 Should the Town promote agricultural activities such as active farming, agricultural tourism and farmer's markets?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	273	87.78%	29	9.32%	9	2.89%	311

Q 20 With respect to land use planning, is the town adequately protecting its groundwater resources?

	Yes		No		Unsure		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	46	14.79%	63	20.26%	199	63.99%	5	1.61%	311

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A Q 21 If no, please state why not.

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Q 22 What natural resources should be a priority to protect in North Smithfield? Please rank your top three choices (1,2,3):

	Water & ground water	Air Quality	Woodlands	Farmland/Soil	Wildlife	Plant Diversity	Other (please specify)	Mineral Resources	Did not answer
Rank 1	158	64	50	12	12	2	2	0	11
Rank 2	79	66	72	39	31	9	2	2	
Rank 3	21	50	76	70	45	22	6	10	
Weighted Rank (Score)	1 (653)	2 (374)	3 (370)	4 (184)	5 (143)	6 (46)	7 (16)	8 (14)	

Q 23 There seems to be a push toward renewable energy. What size limitations should be placed on solar arrays? Please rank 1-5.

	5-10 acres	< 5 acres	10-20 acres	>20 acres	No solar arrays	Did not answer
Rank 1	47	89	35	59	55	26
Rank 2	100	69	79	19	18	

Rank 3	120	28	96	21	20
Rank 4	17	82	72	97	17
Rank 5	1	17	3	89	175
Weighted Rank (Score)	1 (1030)	2 (986)	3 (926)	4 (717)	5 (616)

Q 24 According to the State Finance Office, 2017 Rhode Island tax rates, North Smithfield ranks 13th lowest out of the 39 cities and towns. Do you think our real estate tax is

	Too high		Just right		Too low		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	97	31.19%	170	54.66%	38	12.22%	6	1.93%	311

Q 25 An expansion or improvement of town services may require an increase in local taxes. With that in mind, do you believe there is a need to expand town services?

	Yes		No		Not Sure		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	126	40.51%	121	38.91%	61	19.61%	3	0.96%	311

Q 26 If you answered yes to the previous question, please check the box next to the town service(s) you would be willing to expand or improve at a possible expense of a tax increase:

	Schools		Police		Roads and Highways		Recreation Facilities		Fire		Emergency Medical Services		Did not answer	
Responses Received	94	30.23%	45	14.47%	113	36.33%	66	21.22%	39	12.54%	37	11.90%	152	48.87%

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Q 27 Do you find the current conditions of transportation infrastructure (roads, sidewalks, etc.) are adequate to handle the towns current and future needs?

	Yes		No		Don't know		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	95	30.55%	172	55.31%	38	12.22%	6	1.93%	311

How would you rate the overall quality and maintenance of North Smithfield's infrastructure?

Q 28 Infrastructure

	Excellent		Good		Fair		Did not answer		Total
28 a State roads	19	6.11%	130	41.80%	153	49.20%	9	2.89%	311
28 b Town roads	10	3.22%	122	39.23%	174	55.95%	5	1.61%	311
28 c Bridges	9	2.89%	88	28.30%	203	65.27%	11	3.54%	311
28 d Stormwater/Drainage	12	3.86%	156	50.16%	128	41.16%	15	4.82%	311
28 e Sidewalks	12	3.86%	96	30.87%	193	62.06%	10	3.22%	311
28 f Public water system	19	6.11%	142	45.66%	112	36.01%	38	12.22%	311
28 g Public sewer system	28	9.00%	145	46.62%	102	32.80%	36	11.58%	311
28 h Public buildings	17	5.47%	143	45.98%	139	44.69%	12	3.86%	311

Q 29 Would you support express lanes, along with maintaining east west movements, at the intersection of Route 146 and Sayles Hill Road?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	221	71.06%	76	24.44%	14	4.50%	311

 Q 30 Please rate the following on their level of importance.

	Very Important		Important		Not Very Important		Not Important		Did not answer		Total	Wei Sc
30 a Public transportation within North Smithfield	37	11.90%	90	28.94%	106	34.08%	70	22.51%	8	2.57%	311	
30 b Public transportation to other towns	48	15.43%	110	35.37%	82	26.37%	63	20.26%	8	2.57%	311	

Q 31 Where do you think North Smithfield ranks in RI in terms of median family income? Top 1/3rd Middle 1/3rd of Bottom 1/3rd.

	Top 1/3rd		Middle 1/3rd		Bottom 1/3rd		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	58	18.65%	239	76.85%	6	1.93%	8	2.57%	311

Q 32 Are you pleased with the recent economic development in town?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	202	64.95%	96	30.87%	13	4.18%	311

 Q 33 If No, how would you recommend proceeding?

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Q 34 Do you support economic development (i.e., commercial, manufacturing, office, wholesale etc., along the Rte 146 corridor)?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	238	76.53%	62	19.94%	11	3.54%	311

Q 35 With respect to economic development, is there adequate neighborhood retail (stores, shops, restaurants)?

	Yes		No		Unsure		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	183	58.84%	94	30.23%	23	7.40%	11	3.54%	311

Q 36 With respect to economic development, is there adequate industrial park development (office buildings, manufacturing facilities)?

	Yes		No		Unsure		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	148	47.59%	95	30.55%	60	19.29%	8	2.57%	311

What kind of business development does North Smithfield need? Please rate the following on their level of importance:

 Q 37 Business development rating

	Very Important		Important		Not Important		Did not answer		Total
37 a Manufacturing	64	20.58%	127	40.84%	100	32.15%	20	6.43%	311
37 b Office/Research & Development	106	34.08%	135	43.41%	56	18.01%	14	4.50%	311
37 c Neighborhood Commercial	66	21.22%	155	49.84%	73	23.47%	17	5.47%	311

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37 d	Professional Services (doctors, attorneys, financial advisers, etc)	105	33.76%	150	48.23%	41	13.18%	15	4.82%
37 e	Distribution & Logistics	47	15.11%	126	40.51%	116	37.30%	22	7.07%
37 f	Corporate Headquarters	102	32.80%	91	29.26%	96	30.87%	22	7.07%
37 g	Technology Based Business	130	41.80%	113	36.33%	48	15.43%	20	6.43%
37 h	Small Business Start-ups	130	41.80%	137	44.05%	31	9.97%	13	4.18%
37 i	Higher Education Facilities	75	24.12%	99	31.83%	120	38.59%	17	5.47%
37 j	Tourist Activities	67	21.54%	133	42.77%	99	31.83%	12	3.86%

Q 38 The Town should encourage the tourism industry to add to the economy and create jobs

	Strongly Agree		Slightly Agree		Slightly Disagree		Strongly Disagree		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	72	23.15%	142	45.66%	66	21.22%	22	7.07%	9	2.89%	311

Q 39 The Town should encourage home occupations and telecommuting.

	Strongly Agree		Slightly Agree		Slightly Disagree		Strongly Disagree		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	86	27.65%	151	48.55%	49	15.76%	17	5.47%	8	2.57%	311

Q 40 Is it possible for the Town to increase shopping opportunities while maintaining a "small town" atmosphere?

	Strongly Agree		Slightly Agree		Slightly Disagree		Strongly Disagree		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	100	32.15%	113	36.33%	47	15.11%	40	12.86%	11	3.54%	311

Q 41 The Town should expand its industrial and commercial zoned districts to promote more economic development opportunities while being considerate of the nearby residential districts.

	Strongly Agree		Slightly Agree		Slightly Disagree		Strongly Disagree		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	115	36.98%	79	25.40%	45	14.47%	58	18.65%	14	4.50%	311

Q 42 Does the existing housing stock provide an adequate range of housing opportunities to serve the needs of a diverse population?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	250	80.39%	50	16.08%	11	3.54%	311

Q 43 If no, what type(s) of additional housing is needed?

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Q 44 There is an adequate amount of market rate housing in town that is affordable.

	Strongly agree		Slightly agree		Slightly disagree		Strongly disagree		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	84	27.01%	134	43.09%	64	20.58%	15	4.82%	14	4.50%	311

Q 45 The Town should continue its efforts to manage the rate of residential growth in the Town.

	Strongly Agree		Slightly Agree		Slightly Disagree		Strongly Disagree		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	131	42.12%	123	39.55%	32	10.29%	13	4.18%	12	3.86%	311

A Q 46 What should the town do to ensure that it remains a desirable place to live?

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Q 47 Would confining industrial and commercial growth to the 146 corridor be an appropriate way to subsidize the town's tax base?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	206	66.24%	89	28.62%	16	5.14%	311

Q 48 The Town should try to attract businesses to its existing manufacturing/commercial zoned properties.

	Strongly agree		Slightly agree		Slightly disagree		Strongly disagree		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	186	59.81%	89	28.62%	17	5.47%	5	1.61%	14	4.50%	311

A Q 49 What should the town do to best preserve its rural character?

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Q 50 Are you aware that North Smithfield is home to the most substantial volume of groundwater flow in northern Rhode Island?

	Yes		No		Did not answer		Total
Responses Received	119	38.26%	182	58.52%	10	3.22%	311

A Q 51 In which quadrants of the town (see map here) would you most like to see preserved as open space? Prioritize from highest to lowest.

	Quadrant 1	Quadrant 3	Quadrant 4	Quadrant 2	Did not answer
Rank 1	155	43	36	36	41
Rank 2	59	104	42	65	
Rank 3	33	77	108	52	
Rank 4	23	46	84	117	
Weighted Rank (Score)	1 (886)	2 (684)	3 (570)	4 (560)	

A Q 52 Of the following Land Development issues, please rank your top three choices as 1,2,3.

	Preservation of farmland and forestland	Maintaining and improving the existing road network	Maintaining and improving the existing sidewalk and developing a bike way network	Improving traffic circulation within Town	Focusing development in existing villages	Focusing development in areas outside of existing villages	Did not answer
Rank 1	127	70	32	29	17	15	21
Rank 2	45	74	48	46	44	33	
Rank 3	37	64	69	31	52	37	
Weighted Rank (Score)	1 (508)	2 (422)	3 (261)	4 (210)	5 (191)	6 (148)	

