

This section of the Plan lists general recommendations, in the form of policies and strategies, for each of the elements of the plan. These recommendations are intended to address the issues raised in the review and analysis of the elements in Section II, *Community Assessment*. The matrix also shows a suggested implementation timing and responsible party.

For the purpose of this chapter, the implementation priority is divided into short term, mid-term, long term, and ongoing:

- “Short term” is presumed to be activities which can be completed within two years. These are primarily changes to Zoning and other ordinances, and easily achievable actions.
- “Mid-term” activities will be commenced and/or completed between two and five years after adoption. These consist of lower-priority activities or those which require additional planning or preparation.
- “Long term” activities are those which are more nebulous, and for which the path to implementation has not yet come into focus.

“Ongoing” is used to identify strategies which are currently in place and should continue.

Policies:	Strategies:	Implementing Party/Timeframe:
FISCAL CAPACITY		
<p>Brighton Plantation is in strong financial condition, with no outstanding debt and a long-standing commitment to conservative financial management. Revenues have remained relatively stable over the past decade, reflecting the town's modest size and limited municipal services. The Assessors and Town Clerk/Treasurer work collaboratively to maintain a balanced budget, seeking practical and sustainable solutions that meet the needs of the community while minimizing unnecessary expenditures.</p>		
<p>State Goal: To plan for, finance and develop an efficient system of public facilities and services to accommodate anticipated growth and economic development.</p>		
Policies:	Strategies:	Implementing Party/Timeframe:
<p>1. To finance existing and future facilities and services in a cost effective manner.</p>	<p>1.1: Formalize, review, and update the Town's Capital Improvement Plan on an annual basis, incorporate improvements into the annual budget, and expand its scope to 10 years into the future.</p> <p>1.2: Support legislative initiatives to increase state financial support to towns and schools.</p> <p>1.3: Explore grant opportunities available to assist in the funding of capital investments within the community.</p>	
<p>2. To explore grants available to assist in the funding of capital investments within the community.</p>	<p>2.1: Maintain a working knowledge and listing of grants and deadlines for financing special projects.</p>	
<p>3. To reduce Maine's tax burden by staying within LD 1 spending limitations.</p>	<p>3.1: Explore opportunities to work with neighboring communities to plan for and finance shared or adjacent capital investments to increase cost savings and efficiencies.</p>	

Green- new suggests

Blue- suggestions from meeting

Red- from old plan

Goals, Policies, and Strategies from Previous Plan:

These are to be discussed to determine if they were accomplished. If not, are they still relevant today?