

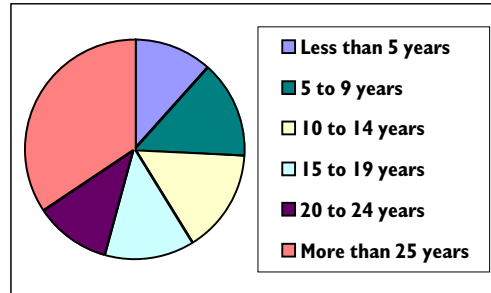
APPENDIX B
Smithfield Township
Resident Survey Summary - 1999

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Smithfield Township residents, as part of this Comprehensive Planning process, were provided a unique opportunity to offer their opinions and help shape the community's future. All residential landowners, some 1,557 in total, were sent a special community opinion survey and 474 persons or 30% returned the questionnaires. This was an excellent response rate and the detailed results follow:

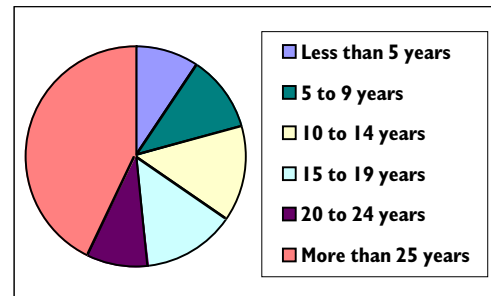
1) How many years in total have you lived in Smithfield Township?

	No.	%
Less than 5 years	55	11.8%
5 to 9 years	67	14.4%
10 to 14 years	70	15.0%
15 to 19 years	62	13.3%
20 to 24 years	52	11.2%
More than 25 years	160	34.3%
TOTAL =	466	100.0%



2) How many years have you lived in Monroe County?

	No.	%
Less than 5 years	45	9.5%
5 to 9 years	52	11.0%
10 to 14 years	67	14.2%
15 to 19 years	63	13.3%
20 to 24 years	43	9.1%
More than 25 years	202	42.8%
TOTAL =	472	100.0%



3) What influenced your original decisions to live here?

	No.	%
Rural atmosphere	270	22.0%
Affordable housing costs	166	13.5%
Low taxes	162	13.2%
Close to work	147	12.0%
Born or raised here	127	10.3%
Close to friends or relatives	109	8.9%
Low crime rate	104	8.5%
Quality of schools	73	5.9%
Other (scenery, recreation, family, business, etc.)	43	3.5%
Quality of Township services	28	2.3%
TOTAL =	1,229	100.0%

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4) Why do you continue to live in Smithfield Township?		
	No.	%
Rural atmosphere	224	19.8%
Cose to friends or relatives	175	15.5%
Close to work	163	14.4%
Low taxes	106	9.4%
Born or raised here	101	8.9%
Affordable housing costs	100	8.9%
Low crime rate	85	7.5%
Other (House paid for, can't sell, scenery, age, etc.)	80	7.1%
Quality of schools	54	4.8%
Quality of Township services	41	3.6%
TOTAL =	1,129	100.0%
5) Which best describes how Smithfield has changed since you moved here?		
	No.	%
Smithfield Township has become a less desirable place to live	282	57.9%
Smithfield Township has not changed in its desirability as a place to live	94	19.3%
Smithfield Township has become a more desirable place to live	32	6.6%
I have not lived here long enough to form an opinion	26	5.3%
Rapid growth is ruining rural atmosphere	21	4.3%
Taxes are very high	9	1.8%
Influx of people, traffic	6	1.2%
High crime rate	6	1.2%
Other (water problems, Smithfield is better, etc.)	4	0.8%
More traffic congestion	4	0.8%
Loss of sense of community, change in culture	3	0.6%
TOTAL =	487	100.0%

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6) What do you like least about Smithfield Township?

	No.	%
Loss of open space	228	33.0%
Cost of services/taxes	151	21.9%
Transportation difficulties	92	13.3%
Poor development	43	6.2%
Lack of cultural/recreation options	36	5.2%
Traffic	33	4.8%
Quality of services	29	4.2%
Housing costs	18	2.6%
Overdevelopment	18	2.6%
Roads, schools and services	16	2.3%
Other (low income housing, government, poor economy, etc.)	15	2.2%
Taxes	11	1.6%
TOTAL =	690	100.0%

7) Please indicate the importance of each of the following aspects of the Township's environment:

	Extremely Important	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not That Important	Total Score
Drinking water quality	362	56	32	3	1,679
Air quality	327	83	40	6	1,640
Streamwaer quality	254	115	64	15	1,500
Wildlife habitat	209	111	86	28	1,355
Mature forests	180	130	94	32	1,319
Stream corridors	173	122	83	28	1,235
Wetlands	172	87	97	36	1,149
Scenic views	156	92	110	53	1,145
Farmland	138	108	109	51	1,117
Waterfall areas	116	93	108	82	1,001
Historic buildings	119	84	110	82	987
River access	103	93	112	84	953
Architectural compatibility	102	97	102	67	912

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8)	Are there any geographic areas of the Township where you believe the Comprehensive Plan should recommend the protection or preservation of existing natural, open space or cultural resources?	
	Farms (Mosier Farm, Cherry Valley, etc.)	58
	All open spaces and rural areas	46
	Scenic views around the Delaware Water Gap	42
	Hillsides and ridge tops	29
	Shawnee and River Road area	28
	Open spaces near commercial areas (Route 209, Dairy Queen, etc.)	18
	Trails and parks	14
	Waterfalls	11
	Areas without billboards	10
	Stream corridors	8
	Marshalls Creek Road, Falls and wetlands	8
	East Stroudsburg watershed area	8
	Franklin Hill Road area	8
	Mosier Knob area	8
	None	7
	Minisink Hills area open space	7
	Upper Fawn Road area	6
	Music Center Drive area	6
	Craigs Meadow area	4
	Brodhead Creek and Gorge	4
	Franklin Hill peat bog	4
	Gap View Road area	3
	Other (miscellaneous areas and general comments)	37
9)	Are there any particular areas for which the Township should actively seek County, State or Federal funds to acquire for open space or recreational purposes?	
	Township park and active recreation facilities	58
	Trail development and connections	50
	Highway corridors	28
	Stream corridors and fishing accesses	18
	Everything left in open space	18
	None	14
	Passive recreation opportunities	13
	Mosiers Farm	12
	Farms in Cherry Valley and elsewhere	10
	Waterfalls	7
	Other (Craigs Meadow, Shawnee, reservoir area, etc.)	44

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10) Should the Township use your tax money to assist with any of these acquisitions, if any?						
Yes						77
No						62
Township parks and fields						25
Streams, waterfall areas, wetlands, flood plains, lakes and ponds						19
Trails connecting with Appalachian Trail as well as other trails						16
Gap View Road, Cherry Valley						10
Farms, large parcels and forested areas						9
Other (Mosier Dairy, River Road area, etc.)						26
11) How important is it for the Township to regulate each of the following aspects of development?						
	Extremely Important	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not That Important	Total Score	
Density of development	275	78	49	11	15	1,428
Proximity of commercial	268	76	52	20	15	1,409
Impact on streams	251	104	48	17	6	1,423
Scenic impact	204	107	78	25	19	1,299
Preserving large trees	202	107	79	28	18	1,297
Hillside/ravine development	201	91	77	29	19	1,241
Building scale and height	184	104	80	33	26	1,215
Site design and layout	165	91	103	46	20	1,165
Landscaping	128	91	117	47	41	1,025
Historic character	115	82	128	51	42	971
Architectural design	101	79	115	71	50	892
Business signs	96	83	76	38	24	847
12) Should the Township encourage or discourage each of the following?						
	Encourage	Discourage	No Opinion	% Encourage		
Senior citizen housing	331	53	60	74.5%		
Single family residences on large lots	323	73	42	73.7%		
Single family housing for first homes	294	90	53	67.3%		
Conservation subdivisions (clustered lots)	210	145	73	49.1%		
Single family housing for second homes	151	227	58	34.6%		
Apartment buildings (2 stories or less)	100	292	47	22.8%		
Townhouses (attached single family)	96	276	62	22.1%		
Mobile home parks	44	351	42	10.1%		
Apartment buildings (3-4 stories)	26	389	28	5.9%		

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13)	Should the Township encourage or discourage each of the following?				%	
		Encourage	Discourage	No Opinion	Encourage	
	Small office buildings	232	166	39	53.1%	
	Wood manufacturing (e.g., crafts, furniture)	213	170	60	48.1%	
	Research facilities	209	170	56	48.0%	
	Other light manufacturing	195	182	57	44.9%	
	Corporate office park	172	235	32	39.2%	
	Metal fabrication (e.g., tool and die shops)	144	232	61	33.0%	
	Wood processing (e.g., sawmill)	125	256	60	28.3%	
	Small shopping center	123	287	28	28.1%	
	Motel/hotel	115	281	46	26.0%	
	Major printing companies	115	265	57	26.3%	
	Distribution centers (e.g., for Wal-Mart)	97	322	23	21.9%	
	Large office building	93	314	28	21.4%	
	Other warehousing or distribution	81	301	51	18.7%	
	Mini-storage warehousing	79	314	44	18.1%	
	Large shopping center or mall	60	379	10	13.4%	
	Trucking terminals	43	383	23	9.6%	
	Other	19	31	0	38.0%	
14)	How much additional need is there in Smithfield for the following types of consumer establishments?					Total
		Strong Need	Moderate Need	Slight Need	No Need	Score
	Medical/dental offices	41	95	86	229	170
	Other restaurant	39	83	73	255	101
	Convenience store	34	73	81	263	66
	Home improvement center	57	56	61	278	66
	Boarding for animals	16	67	102	253	31
	Movie theater	27	54	65	292	-38
	Auto repair store	15	47	85	299	-75
	Children's clothing store	17	48	65	314	-102
	Adult's clothing store	18	42	65	317	-114
	Appliance store	18	40	73	323	-116
	Department store	27	42	49	333	-119
	Fast food restaurant	13	40	56	340	-165
	Large supermarket	21	36	44	352	-173
	Other	15	3	2	6	47

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15)	How do you feel about permitting a limited number of small scale commercial activities with limited traffic impacts at locations near existing residential neighborhoods?																			
	They should not be permitted - commercial uses are incompatible with residential uses.	195																		
	They should be permitted provided they are at a small scale and well designed.	161																		
	They should be permitted only at the fringe of existing residential neighborhoods.	120																		
	They should be permitted if the goods/service are directed toward the neighborhood.	97																		
16)	Modern technology and ease of travel has made it possible to conduct more businesses from home. However, neighbors are often concerned about added traffic, noise and other impacts. Please tell us how appropriate the home occupations below would be in your neighborhood if employees were limited in number and conditions were imposed on traffic, and other impacts.																			
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	Seasonal lawn maintenance/snow removal	140 226 84																		
	Telephone answering service	109 217 120																		
	Day care (child or adult)	99 226 124																		
	Seamstress/tailor/fashion designer	89 231 117																		
	Professional office (accountant, dentist, etc.)	81 231 128																		
	Mail order business	74 210 151																		
	Security systems installer	72 227 137																		
	Dance, cooking, academic instruction	66 200 174																		
	ARts and craft studios with sales	63 222 154																		
	Computer services and sales	61 220 161																		
	Catering services	59 207 170																		
	Mobile repair services	56 197 182																		
	Signmaker	47 223 167																		
	Door to door beauty and health products sales	44 133 267																		
	Appliance repair shop	43 203 194																		
	Independent trucker	27 124 289																		
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16)	Home Occupations (CONTINUED)			
		% of Home	No.	%
	If you have a home occupation, how much of your home/property does it utilize?	<25%	37	88.1%
		25-50%	4	9.5%
		>50%	1	2.4%
			42	100.0%
		Employees	No.	%
	If you have a home occupation, how many employees do you have (including your family)?	0	20	50.0%
		1	9	22.5%
		2	7	17.5%
		3+	4	10.0%
			40	100.0%
		Employees	No.	%
	How many employees do not live at the location of the business?	0	30	81.1%
		1	2	5.4%
		2	3	8.1%
		3+	2	5.4%
			37	100.0%
	Should those proposing home occupations have to submit plans for review?	Yes	209	81.3%
		No	48	18.7%

17)	Is there a need for the Township to provide more recreation or leisure facilities?					
		Strong Need	Moderate Need	Slight Need	No Need	Total Score
	Youth center	150	118	52	90	648
	Senior citizens center	124	123	69	85	602
	Playground facilities	108	122	71	107	532
	Picnic facilities	89	138	77	105	515
	Trail systems	100	118	79	109	506
	Baseball/softball fields	91	109	81	116	456
	Basketball courts	78	108	83	123	410
	Swimming pools	92	107	63	151	402
	Football/soccer fields	78	106	70	135	381
	Boat/fishing accesses	60	107	88	134	348
	Tennis courts	50	107	85	151	298
	Boat launches	48	83	85	167	228
	Handball/racquetball/squash	27	61	96	206	93
	Golf courses	25	52	66	260	-15

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18) To what extent would you generally favor spending your tax money adding, expanding or improving each of the following public services and facilities?

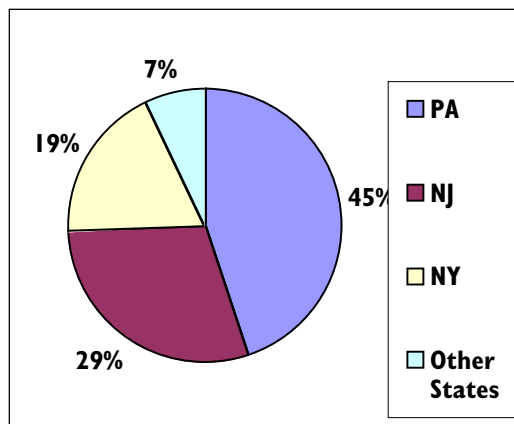
	Strongly Support	Support	No Opinion	Oppose	Strongly Oppose	Total Score
Township roads	193	211	24	9	6	576
Fire protection	198	184	27	17	9	545
Police protection	170	161	47	46	17	421
Youth programs	115	182	73	51	18	325
Senior programs	103	196	82	43	18	323
Trails and bicycle paths	107	144	101	69	16	257
Library services	86	178	92	61	22	245
Recreation programs	84	165	93	67	23	220
Public water supplies	107	127	93	71	38	194
Sewage collect/treat	107	119	87	76	46	165
Public transportation	69	129	111	98	31	107

19) Where is the last place you lived prior to moving to your current addresss?

NJ County	Number	%
NJ (None)	18	17.8%
Morris	17	16.8%
Warren	12	11.9%
Bergen	9	8.9%
Hudson	7	6.9%
Essex	7	6.9%
Sussex	6	5.9%
Other NJ	25	24.8%
Total NJ	101	100.0%

NY County	Number	%
NY (None)	15	23.4%
Queens	11	17.2%
Suffolk	10	15.6%
Nassau	9	14.1%
New York	6	9.4%
Richmond	3	4.7%
Brooklyn	2	3.1%
Other NY	8	12.5%
Total NY	64	100.0%

PA County	Number	%
PA (None)	5	3.3%
Monroe	88	57.5%
Northampton	9	5.9%
Luzerne	7	4.6%
Lehigh	6	3.9%
Montgomery	6	3.9%
Pike	6	3.9%
Other PA	26	17.0%
Total PA	153	100.0%



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20)	How large is the property your home is on?		
		No.	%
	Less than 1/2 acre	59	13.1%
	1/2 acre to 1 acre	143	31.6%
	1 acre to 2 acres	158	35.0%
	2 to 5 acres	53	11.7%
	5+ acres	39	8.6%
		452	100.0%
21)	Approximately how old is the house in which you live?		
		No.	%
	Less than 2 years old	8	1.7%
	2 to 5 years old	25	5.4%
	6 to 10 years old	44	9.5%
	11 to 20 years old	106	23.0%
	21 to 50 years old	205	44.5%
	51 to 100 years old	43	9.3%
	100+ years old	29	6.3%
	Uncertain	1	0.2%
		461	100.0%
22)	Please indicate how many persons of each group currently live in your home.		
		No.	%
	Children under 6 years old	82	6.2%
	Children 6 to 12 years old	210	15.8%
	Children 13 to 17 years old	101	7.6%
	Adult females 18 and older	443	33.3%
	Adult males 18 years and older	493	37.1%
		1,329	100.0%
23)	Which of the following best describes your employment status?		
		No.	%
	Employed full-time	290	76.7%
	Retired	43	11.4%
	Employed part-time	36	9.5%
	Unemployed, seek work	9	2.4%
		378	100.0%

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24) Please indicate where you work if you are currently employed.

	No.	%
Monroe County (Other than Smithfield)	125	31.0%
Smithfield Township	74	18.4%
New Jersey (Other than Sussex or Warren)	62	15.4%
New York City	33	8.2%
Sussex or Warren County, New Jersey	24	6.0%
Pennsylvania (Other than Monroe)	23	5.7%
Unemployed	12	3.0%
New York (Other than NYC)	2	0.5%
Other and self-employed	48	11.9%
	403	100.0%

25) Do you commute to work over 10 miles?

Yes	159	45.4%
No	191	54.6%

How do you commute?

	No.	%
Car	260	91.2%
Bus	16	5.6%
Car Pool	7	2.5%
Train	1	0.4%
Walk	1	0.4%
	285	100.0%

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26)	<p>Would additional park and ride facilities for commuters be of value?</p>	Yes	158	41.5%
		No	223	58.5%
	<p>Would local train service for commuters be of value?</p>	Yes	233	60.1%
		No	155	39.9%
	<p>Would you favor subsidizing additional commuter services?</p>	Yes	87	23.0%
		No	292	77.0%
27)	Please indicate your age bracket:			
		No.	%	
	Less than 25 years	1	0.2%	
	25 to 29 years	8	1.6%	
	30 to 34 years	29	5.9%	
	35 to 39 years	47	9.6%	
	40 to 44 years	62	12.6%	
	45 to 49 years	67	13.6%	
	50 to 54 years	58	11.8%	
	55 to 59 years	47	9.6%	
	60 to 64 years	40	8.1%	
	65 to 69 years	41	8.3%	
	70 to 75 years	50	10.2%	
	76 to 79 years	21	4.3%	
	80 to 84 years	16	3.3%	
	More than 85 years	5	1.0%	
		492	100.0%	

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28) How would describe your present occupation?

	No.	%
Executive/administrative/managerial	89	18.4%
Profession occupation	112	23.2%
Technician or support occupation	28	5.8%
Sales occupation	24	5.0%
Administration support occupation	10	2.1%
Private household occupation	2	0.4%
Retired	120	24.8%
Service occupation	34	7.0%
Farming, forestry or fishing	0	0.0%
Precision production, craft or repair	14	2.9%
Machine operator/assembler/inspector	8	1.7%
Transportation or material moving	10	2.1%
Handler, cleaner, helper or laborer	8	1.7%
Homemaker	24	5.0%
	483	100.0%

29) How would you rate the quality of the following public and semi-public services?

	High Quality	Good Quality	Fair Quality	Neutral/ Undecided	Poor Quality	Total Score
Fire protection	121	216	37	54	4	828
Utilities (e.g., electric)	66	255	60	38	12	756
Ambulance services	98	205	36	86	3	737
Health care services	53	190	72	85	18	593
Highway maintenance	38	162	140	33	55	523
Police protection	37	181	91	67	49	515
Sewer and water services	20	92	58	161	47	255
Land use code enforcement	11	65	90	113	125	128
Other code enforcement	8	50	71	150	73	122

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30) Are traffic conditions within the Township a problem for you and, if so, how serious is the problem?

	No.	%
Yes, I am frequently inconvenienced.	89	27.1%
Yes, traffic is a problem but I am not greatly inconvenienced by it.	191	58.2%
No, traffic is not a problem for me.	48	14.6%
	328	100.0%

If you do experience problems:

Do they mostly relate to Rt. 209 from Marshalls Creek to I-80?		268	88.4%
	Yes		
	No	35	11.6%

Or, do they mostly relate to Business Rt. 209?		167	87.9%
	Yes		
	No	23	12.1%

Or, do they mostly relate to roads other than Rt. 209?		58	50.0%
	Yes		
	No	58	50.0%

Tell us any particular traffic issues, other than Rt. 209, which are important to you:

Rt. 209 and Rt. 447 at Eagle Valley	47
Rt. 209 traffic impacts on crossroads and shortcuts (e.g. Hollow Road)	17
Rt. 447 generally	16
Rt. 447 and Courtland Street	14
Mt. Nebo Road	14
Rt. 209 and Buttermilk Falls Road	14
River Road at Shawnee (speed problems and other)	14
General traffic congestion from growth of the area	12
Rt. 209 and Rt. 447 at Shannon Motel	8
Business Rt. 209 (traffic lights, etc.)	8
Rt. 611	7
Franklin Hill Road	7
Speeding, tailgating, reckless driving, poor signage, etc.	5
Other problems (typically speeded and intersection congestion)	19

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31)	Should the Township Spring Clean-Up Program be continued?	Yes	424	99.1%
		No	4	0.9%
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32)	Do you recycle any of your household wastes?	Yes	400	93.2%
		No	29	6.8%
	Do you use the drop-off in East Stroudsburg?	Yes	194	47.1%
		No	218	52.9%
	Would you like to have a drop-off in the Township?	Yes	239	65.5%
		No	126	34.5%
	Would you like Township-wide recycling/waste pick-up"	Yes	268	70.0%
		No	115	30.0%
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33)	Should burning of leaves be prohibited in the Township?	Yes	216	50.6%
		No	211	49.4%
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34)	There has been much discussion recently regarding the potential for regional policing programs in our area. Stroudsburg, East Stroudsburg and Stroud Township are joining to create a unified police department.			
	Should the Township consider joining a regional police force?	Yes	189	46.3%
		No	219	53.7%
	Would you favor raising taxes to support a regional force?	Yes	132	32.7%
		No	272	67.3%
	Would you favor purchasing additional State Police services?	Yes	144	36.2%
		No	254	63.8%
	Would you favor raising taxes to buy more State Police services?	Yes	97	24.1%
		No	306	75.9%

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35)	Is there anything else you would like to tell us for use in our Comprehensive Plan?	
	Stop residential and and commercial development now ruining the area.	61
	Taxes too high and need to spend more wisely, help seniors with taxes.	24
	Billboards and signs should be severely regulated.	14
	More police services are needed and willing to pay if new taxes required.	14
	Better care of Township roads needed.	10
	Better communication needed with residents on codes, issues, mtgs. (need newsletter).	9
	New development and destruction of hillside on Route 209 off I-80 is a disgrace.	8
	Large scale developments should be required to pay impact taxes.	6
	Current roads cannot handle increased traffic and need upgrading.	4
	Improve litter patrols and fines and clean up Township.	4
	Too late to do anything now - Smithfield is already damaged.	4
	Control noise levels.	3
	Land along 209 needs face lift, e.g., sign removal, tree planting (and throughout Twp.)	3
	A Township-wide sewer system - faulty septics may create problems for drinking water.	2
	Check Paradise Township laws for preservation of open space.	2
	Codes are ignored and overlooked.	2
	Developers should be required to complete projects in a reasonable time or be fined.	2
	Focus on police protection, sign ordinances, preserving quality and wide open spaces.	2
	Make laws that houses must be on 1 acre (or more).	2
	Massage parlor across street from bus stop - not a good sign for kids (Rt. 209)	2
	Need more planned commerce and industry for jobs and tax base.	2
	People don't care for houses, bringing values down - need prop. maintenance code.	2
	Protect open space as a priority.	2
	Schools too crowded with kids from New York.	2
	Sewer bills should be based on water-usage (meters).	2
	We have a gorgeous township being raped by ugly development.	2
	Spending money on "Hug a Tree" projects.	1
	A district line should be drawn between commercial/residential areas in Smithfield.	1
	A more easily accessible voting place.	1
	A third State Police Barracks is needed in N.E. Monroe County.	1
	All new major subdivisions should be limited to 4-acre zoning.	1
	All plans should be subject to voter approval.	1
	Area on 209 off exit 52 is under siege by stores, billboards, traffic.	1
	As the area becomes more developed we are losing more and more valued well water.	1
	As the area becomes more developed, the roads are becoming deteriorated.	1
	Bad water - it killed cats in 5 years.	1
	Be aware of foster homes receiving NY funds to raise numbers of children.	1
	Be wise in how you deal with developers.	1
	Bedrock Stone Quarry has to stop.	1
	Better control of forested areas for wild life protection.	1
	Better planning for road design is needed.	1
	Bring bookmobile to Township office.	1

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- Bring water supplies to Marshalls Creek. |
- Buildings should be more architecturally compatible - ice cream stand on 209 an eyesore. |
- By-pass will bring more people making it more crowded and more like NYC. |
- By-pass will ruin the view from Gap View Drive. |
- Chemical pollution awareness. |
- Clean up roadside garbage. |
- Complexion of this Township has changed dramatically due to lack of control. |
- Consider rotating members of Planning Board for fresh ideas. |
- Continue employment of Township Planner (code advice and land use issues) |
- Controlled progress benefits area. Implement codes - ensure new development blends. |
- Cost of beauty in nature & a relaxed pace is too costly. We are moving. |
- Crime area and "crack houses" (Stroudsburg) behind schools, need to be cleaned out. |
- Curb side pick-up for all residential homes (spring cleanup) |
- Curious as to the cost of this survey and who is really paying for it? |
- Delaware Water Gap needs to be cleaned up |
- Developers allowed to build on wetlands; local people cannot afford rise in taxes. |
- Developers are only worried about profits - no concern on impact. |
- Development should be more dense to protect open spaces. |
- Don't combine police forces - each township needs their own police force. |
- Don't complicate the approval process for routine projects anymore. |
- Don't get too aggressive with developers - there are only a few areas left in Smithfield. |
- Don't infringe on property owners rights. |
- Don't need parks - leave area natural. |
- Elected constable should be responsible for smaller illegal/criminal acts. |
- Enact zoning laws to prevent unrestricted development and loss of green space. |
- Encourage private preservation of forest, hillside and wetland areas. |
- Encourage resale/remodeling/of existing buildings instead of building new. |
- Enforce maintenance of private roads. |
- Enhancement and preservation should be done to benefit all - not just PMVB. |
- Excellent winter service. |
- Explore public water for future office complexes i.e., medical buildings on 447. |
- Extra State Police should be studied. |
- Figure out a way not to displace residents for a road |
- Get after delinquent taxpayers. |
- Get rid of junk cars on Fawn Road. |
- Get rid of Metro-Ambulance. |
- Good ideas but we should all consider the senior citizens. |
- Great job with winter road care. |
- Growing pains have become intolerable. Progress at the cost of quality of life is foolish. |
- Guard rail at top of Mt. Nebo Road sharp curve. |
- Homes built on wetlands, on top of one another, have to be pumped out in heavy rain. |
- How about supporting Del. Water Gap Police for Smithfield/Cherry Valley? |

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If Smithfield is built up more it will have the same traffic problems as Marshalls Creek. |
If there must be new taxes for police, a regional force is good only with DWG. |
Impact studies for more development needed. |
Improve dirt or shale roads in the Township and recover cost by tax assessment. |
Include E. Stroudsburg School personnel in planning |
Industrial park on Rt 22 in Lehigh Valley is a good example of commercial development. |
Industries should be setback from the road and fenced to hide the mess. |
In-home businesses can help balance the rising costs of taxes, (school and otherwise). |
Instead of sinking money into the Info Center, hire more state police. |
Institute minimum two acre residential zoning lots. |
It doesn't matter what we say - you do as you please anyway. |
It is a well managed community which needs to grow. |
It may be too late but we must protect our land to the best of our ability. |
Joining of regional police should be studied. |
Keep it green and clean - most industrial growth should be confined to business parks. |
Keep it green, save wildlife and open spaces. |
Keep new schools moderate (in design) - no fancy courtyards, etc. to use up taxes. |
Keep residential areas residential. |
Larger town hall (Smithfield); parks and recreation services. |
Light needed at 447 and 209 more than for the convenience of developer's business. |
Light truck traffic should be confined to land closest to I-80 and off Rt. 209. |
Limit amount of excavation (developers allowed to tear up too much property) |
Local developers shouldn't be on the Open Space Committee. |
Local sales tax, entertainment tax or hotel/motel tax to offset property taxes. |
Locals have no say in what get built. |
Look for alternate methods beside property tax/school tax/township tax for funding. |
Look into educating people on how to preserve plant and animal life on their property. |
Maintenance on Kings Pond Road has been excellent for past 3 years. |
Make sure new projects will benefit the majority of the people. |
Massive commercial/retail operations like the flea market should be banned. |
May get great response with a one page survey - people won't spend a lot of time on it. |
More modern liquid waste disposal alternatives are needed. |
More questions needed to commercial/retail/industrial residents and their needs. |
Multi-family use of single family units, i.e., 25+ persons living in fenced house. |
Need better local government |
Need cross-cultural events -jazz, pop music, big bands, theatre, operas, ethnic, etc. |
Need professionals,- architects, engineers, surveyors, planners, landscape architects. |
Need Township "conflict of interest" policy for Township officials. |
Need trash and recycle services, spring and fall clean-up. |
No acquisitions |
No industry will develop (around Mosier's Dairy) unless Rt. 80 is made easily accessible. |
No low income housing |

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Noise buffer should be installed on Rt. 209 on the new road widening project.	
Not looking forward to Mosier Farm mess!	
Offer tax breaks to owners willing to keep land scenic, open, as is, etc.	
Open Air Acts protect - do not buy up land for government use.	
Over-development is decreasing property values, creating traffic problems.	
Parks desirable to all ages.	
People who have lived here have no say re developing.	
Plan for nature resource preservation, for every tree cut there should be one planted.	
Plan should stop Mosier Farm development and tearing down of mountains.	
Police should be considered but need to know more about it to decide.	
Prohibit all outdoor burning.	
Public defacement of naturally beautiful places should be banned.	
Quality is more important than quantity in planning development.	
Residents surrounding DWGNRA should not have to pay to use park facilities.	
Revise the plan on a more regular basis (5-7 years).	
Rt 209 main corridor in and out of Township - very tacky business development.	
Save the habitat.	
Schedule clean-up weeks for discarded items (i.e., furniture, appliances, etc.)	
School budget should go on the ballot and get voted on by the people.	
Semi-annually Township sponsored activities (2k run for cancer research)	
Several members on your committee seem to have vested interests.	
Smithfield Sewer Authority is a rip-off (only needed by New Milford Commons).	
Snow-plows are damaging lawns.	
Solicit donations from area businesses.	
Sponsor a seminar on options for property owners to limit development on their land.	
Stop draining wetlands.	
Stop passing ordinances - too restrictive	
Stop traffic from passing on the right when a car is trying to turn left.	
Strong consideration for declining residential developments if market does not exist.	
Supervisors are not concerned about residents' rights.	
Support water & sewage for current residences & established communities	
Target practice (shooting guns) should be banned on private property.	
Taxes are too high, signs destroying beauty of area, too much burning	
Taxes do not need to be spent on police support or open space referendum.	
Taxes should be used on other necessities before building (e.g., Shawnee Fire Dept.)	
Thank you for asking for residents' input!	
There are enough recreational areas.	
There are more restrictions on homeowners and businesses than on large developers.	
There is no emergency shelter in disaster situation.	
These are all issues that should be voted on (especially where tax dollars go)	
Time share housing should be discouraged.	
Too many items in survey, should they be enacted, would be especially hurtful.	

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Township Building Inspectors a necessity!	
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Township clean-up should be later in year (Sept./Oct.)	
Township history kept alive through pride and knowledge to residents and visitors.	
Township is doing a good job handling building permits except in some cases.	
Township is encouraged to raise standards higher.	
Township is partial to developers and not in the interest of existing homeowners.	
Township services and activities are very necessary.	
Township should be able to function on taxes we pay.	
Township should have authority to make people clean up their property.	
Township should only do business with local businesses.	
Traffic at Exit 52 and 447 and impacts on Franklin Hill, Music Ctr. and 447.	
Traffic lights in Shawnee 209 Buttermilk Falls area are very important.	
Traffic on Fawn Road is terrible with no policing on the traffic or speeding.	
Unfair in EDU Dist. - should use meters to monitor use for sewer systems	
Water quality and sewers should be a priority	
We don't use schools, public water or sewer service, police or garbage.	
We pay a lot of school taxes and the Smithfield School is old and rundown.	
When the development on Music Road is completed, traffic will be a problem.	
Why are they building strip malls with so many existing stores vacant?	
Why should we pay to go to Smithfield Beach when we live here?	
Willing to pay higher taxes for green space.	
With industry and housing increasing rapidly, taxes should be decreased significantly.	
Would like a daily bus service around Smithfield Vil. to Craig Meadow Rd into E. Stbg & Stbg	
Yellow paint was use to mark off a new road in 1986 but never built.	
You have my hopes, prayers and support.	
Young man directing traffic Sunday mornings for church services does a great job!	
Zoning rules or lack of are ruining quality of living - too much big business.	