

## Town of Smithfield Comprehensive Plan Survey

If you live in or near, work in, shop in, and/or visit Smithfield and want to provide your input, please fill out the following survey. If you are viewing a digital copy of this survey and prefer a paper copy, copies are available at Town Hall. If you complete this survey on paper it can be returned by mail to: Town of Smithfield, P.O. Box 246, Smithfield, VA 23431 or dropped off in the water bill collection box outside of Town Hall. An online version of this survey can be completed at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SmithfieldComprehensivePlanSurvey>

**This first section is for the purpose of collecting some demographics about the survey taker.**

1. Home Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_
2. Circle all that apply: I (live in or near) (work in) (shop in) (visit) Smithfield.
3. Circle the one answer that is the best fit for you: I am a (resident) (nearby resident) (visitor).
4. Circle the one answer that is the best fit for you: I (own) (rent) my home.
5. Circle your age range: (18-29) (30-49) (50-64) (65+)
6. I most closely identify with this gender: M / F [circle your answer]
7. Do you have any children at home? Yes / No [circle your answer] If you answered "yes", please provide the ages of your children: \_\_\_\_\_

**This next section is about your experience with Smithfield.**

8. Circle the top three reasons why you chose Smithfield or the Smithfield area as your home:
 

a. It has always been my home.	h. The quality of life.
b. Ties to family brought me back.	i. Recreational opportunities.
c. Married a Smithfield resident.	j. My job brought me here.
d. Chose to retire in Smithfield.	k. Proximity to where I work.
e. The feeling of small town closeness.	l. Low tax rates.
f. The Town's history and architecture.	m. Other _____
g. The Town's waterfront location.	

9. What is your satisfaction level with the following Town services?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Unsatisfied	Very Unsatisfied
a. Town Administration/Governance	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
b. Planning & Zoning Services	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
c. Fire Protection	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
d. Police Protection	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
e. Traffic Controls (signals, lane layout, etc.)	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
f. Water Supply & Quality	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
g. Sewer Maintenance	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
h. Stormwater Facilities	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
i. Garbage/Trash Disposal/Recycling	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
j. Condition of Streets/Sidewalks/Streetlighting	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
k. Parks & Recreational Facilities	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
l. Tourism Promotion and Support	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+
m. Overall Town Services for Taxes Paid	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+	+-----+

10. Please provide an explanation regarding any Town service that you listed as unsatisfied or very unsatisfied:

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**This next section is about the future of Smithfield.**

11. Smithfield’s growth rate has been slower than was projected for the last decade (estimated at 4.8% from the 2010 Census to July 1, 2019, a rate of 0.53% annually).

Is this rate of growth (too slow) (just right) (too fast)? [circle your answer]

12. What is your level of concern about the following topics as they impact Smithfield?

Not Concerned      Somewhat Concerned      Very Concerned      Gravely Concerned

- a. Our Ability to Work Together to Achieve Common Goals +-----+-----+-----+
- b. Availability of Affordable and Workforce Housing +-----+-----+-----+
- c. Availability & Quality of Age-Restricted Housing +-----+-----+-----+
- d. Accessibility of Bicycle and Pedestrian Trails +-----+-----+-----+
- e. County Building Code Enforcement +-----+-----+-----+
- f. Crime Rate +-----+-----+-----+
- g. Quantity of Traffic Infractions (speeding, accidents, etc.) +-----+-----+-----+
- h. Availability & Quality of Internet Service +-----+-----+-----+
- i. Availability of Public Transportation +-----+-----+-----+
- j. Local Employment Opportunities +-----+-----+-----+
- k. Availability of Shopping Opportunities +-----+-----+-----+
- l. Availability of Entertainment Opportunities +-----+-----+-----+
- m. Quality of Public Infrastructure +-----+-----+-----+

n. If you have areas of concern not listed above, please list those here and indicate your level of concern:

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13. If you would like to see specific shopping or entertainment opportunities come to town, please list those here:

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14. If you would like to see specific public infrastructure improvements, please list those here:

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15. What should Smithfield’s priorities be over the next 5 to 10 years? [Circle the top three priorities and add detail to your choices where requested.]

- a. Enhancing Our Ability to Work Together to Achieve Common Goals
- b. Encouraging the Development of Affordable & Workforce Housing
- c. Encouraging the Development of Age-Restricted Housing
- d. Encouraging the Development of Walkable Communities
- e. Increasing Local Employment Opportunities
- f. Improving Public Infrastructure
- g. Building Additional Outdoor Recreation Spaces/Public Parks
- h. Adding/Enhancing Other Town Facilities.
- i. Adding/Enhancing Town Services.
- j. Protecting Natural Resources
- k. Preserving Historic Resources
- l. Expanding the Town’s Corporate Limits
- m. Other \_\_\_\_\_

***Thank you very much for your participation in the Comprehensive Planning process through your willingness to complete this survey.***

16. If you indicated that you would like to add or enhance other town facilities, please list those of interest here:

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17. If you indicated that you would like to add or enhance town services, please list those of interest here:

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