



Sustainable Transportation Committee

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Zero-Emissions Transit Survey EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This past summer, Sustainable Transportation Committee asked Hull residents to take a moment to help plan a *great* way to get to the ferry, the train, and around town. “Great” means “fun and easy to use, with zero emission of greenhouse gases.” In order to go after grants, the survey asked for help get an idea of how many people would use the system.

Almost 300 households responded to the survey. About half of these households currently use transit, including the ferry, T, and bus, to get to work – 32% regularly plus 20% now and then – and half do not. Of the households who do not, about one out of every three households could use the new Greenbush train or ferry to go to work if they chose to.

More than 80 percent said their household would use zero-emissions transit to get to the train or ferry if it were frequent, convenient, and affordable - 50% regularly and an additional 30% now and then. By way of comparison, in the 2000 U.S. Census, 84 percent of Hull’s 5800 workers drove to work.

For local trips, almost 9 out every 10 households said they would use the trolley to get to restaurants. About two-thirds of the households would use the trolley for getting to shopping, the Post Office, and the library. Over half would use it to go to the beach. About a quarter of the households had someone who would use the trolley to get to the Senior Center, kids’ sports, school, or work in Hull. In one out of five households, someone would ride the trolley to a variety of other destinations, including friends, family, church, pleasure, recreation, gym, tennis, bank, cleaners, coffee, Weinberg’s, hairdresser, Wellspring, Hingham, Town Hall, meetings, Lifesaving Museum, yacht club, Fort Revere, and events.

Zero Emissions Transit Survey	
Total respondents	283 households
Currently take transit (T, bus, or ferry) to work	
Regularly	32%
Now and then	20%
No	46%
Blank	2%
If no or blank, could get to work by ferry or the new Greenbush train if chose to	
Yes	14%
No	30%
Blank	4%
Would use zero-emissions transit to get to the train or ferry if it were frequent, convenient, and affordable	
Often	52%
Now and then	30%
No	6%
Don’t know	12%
Household would use a zero-emissions trolley to get to places in town	
Restaurants	86%
Shopping	68%
Library	67%
Post office	66%
Beach	57%
Senior Center	28%
Kids’ sports	27%
School	24%
Work in Hull	23%
Other*	19%
*Other: Visit friends and family, church, gym, pleasure, recreation, Wellspring, Hingham, bank, cleaners, coffee, Weinberg’s, Lifesaving Museum, yacht club, Fort Revere, Town Hall, hairdresser, meetings, events, tennis.	

What people said

More than 200 people added comments to their surveys. Here's what they said.

"I like that this town is trying to go 'green.'"

Ideal way to get to work and around town

"An electric trolley would be ideal in a small town like this." "The ferry is my ideal way to get to work. A bus or trolley timed with the ferry would be great!" "Our entire family is excited about the new train coming." "My ideal is not having to use my car. Walk to transit that takes me to train or ferry."

What is important to me: "Reliability, comfort, cleanliness. Transit must have a posted, reliable schedule of stops and enough stops to make it convenient for most people."

"Ideally walking." "Local transport is my bicycle (post office, beach, grocery store, etc.) Safe routes for bicyclists are of importance to me. People need to be encouraged to get out of their cars."

"No traffic!" "I work at different locations and require my car." "My ideal: Carpool." "On my own!!" "My own personal Light Electric Vehicle (LEV) or Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV). I have to work around town all day and need mobility and flexibility." "Don't leave home at all/telecommuting."

Benefits

A zero-emissions trolley system would be good for business. Respondents commented, "In summer, restaurant parking at the beach is 'impossible,' so a trolley would be awesome!" "I would love public transportation at night to/from Restaurants/Sea Note." "I would use it to go about Hull – P.O., Riddles, scenic tour – Hull would probably get more of my money."

"I currently drive to work in Quincy, but if trolley transportation were available I would seek employment in Hull."

"It would be nice if the ferry ran on weekends – and more services for the beach so people won't be coming here with cars!" "We could eliminate a lot of the need for beachfront parking, thus making more viable the recent suggestion to restore the dunes along the public section of Nantasket Beach."

Requirements for high usage

It is important that transit is reliable, comfortable, frequent, convenient, quick, clean, friendly, affordable, and wheelchair capable. Transit must have a posted, reliable schedule of stops and enough stops to make it convenient for most people. People would like shelters at the transit stops. People would like transit to match up with all ferry and train trips.

Thank you for envisioning sustainable transportation for Hull.

All Respondents' Comments

The following is a complete list of respondents' comments, with similar comments grouped together. Some comments are in bold to help you find the ideas expressed.

Ideal way to get to work and what is important to me

Ferry and train:

1. Ferry or commuter rail . . . or even my bicycle. Clean and safe air is important to me as a clean environment.
2. Ideal: By boat. Important: Stress free travel.
3. Boat – love it – fast and easy. Would love a way to get to the commuter rail without driving – train will have more options with time/schedule.
4. Ferry
5. The boat, fast and convenient to work
6. Commuter boat.
7. I take the boat. I could use a trolley to boat instead of drive.
8. **More frequent ferry service from Hull**
9. Ferry to Boston
10. My ideal transportation is the ferry and the easiest way to get to Hull
11. Commuter boat every day to Boston. We have no commute.
12. Commuter boat. Frequency of service.
13. Commuter boat works great.
14. The ferry is my ideal way to get to work. A bus or trolley timed with the ferry would be great!
15. Ideally I would take an electric trolley to the commuter boat. The trolley would have to run frequently and in the evening.
16. Ferry
17. Ferry (with more bus)
18. Zero emission to train or boat and back again.
19. Bus → boat and if late, train → bus → home
20. Boat and train.
21. Boat. Ease, fresh air, shortness of commute to downtown and to Hingham.
22. Currently how it is – drive to gut – ferry to Boston.
23. Trolley to ferry. Reliability and efficiency are important.
24. Ferry is closer to my house and is close to ideal.
25. Not driving. Walk, bike, boat.
26. Ferry to Boston
27. Ferry
28. Train/ferry
29. Greenbush
30. Ferry – consistent schedule
31. Ferry/train
32. Trolley to ferry
33. Current commute is best – walk to ferry to Boston
34. Ferry
35. Trolley to ferry or Greenbush
36. The way I go – walk to ferry is ideal

37. Ferry
38. I'd rather be retired! Ferry. On time.
39. Not driving!
40. Reliability, comfort, cleanliness. Ideal is not having to use my car. Walk to transit that takes me to train or ferry. Transit must have a **posted, reliable schedule of stops and enough stops to make it convenient for most people.**
41. Train to Boston
42. Ferry – convenient and enjoyable
43. Train – free parking at station
44. One of us uses the ferry and it's great
45. Walk to ferry.
46. Ferry
47. Greenbush
48. Train. Not using gas.
49. Trolley to boat.
50. Get transportation (green) from Hull to ferry service and new train (Greenbush) stations timely to coordinate with their schedules so no one needs to carpool, or worse leave the car at "the station" to get home
51. From where I live the boat is most convenient and this is the most important factor for me.
52. Train
53. My daughter uses the ferry – would be great if she could easily catch a trolley – Also – I would use a trolley to Hingham not for the train – but to shop
54. Ideal: Bus, ferry, train. Important: Cost, parking, schedule
55. I would like to have the option of not using my car to get to train or ferry
56. Trolley to get to train.
57. I love the ferry – I'm a summer user (May-Sept.) not all year long
58. Leaving your car in the garage and walking to the bus (**stop 1 – 2 minutes away**) which would always be on time (more often than not) delivering passengers to ferry or train station.
59. **I ride the Hingham ferry for convenience and would love a zero emissions way to get there.** I will not take the train.
60. Trolley to Hull ferry but Hull ferry doesn't run frequently enough – 2nd choice is **trolley to Hingham Ferry at 9:15**
61. The ideal way to get to work is the most hassle-free way – but expense is important, too. I take the boat from Hingham now and love it, but parking and now particularly getting out of the lot at night is terrible. It is a 10 – 15 minute wait to get out of the parking lot. **If there was a shelter to wait at and a trolley to pick me up and bring me to/from the boat that would be fantastic!** And anything that transports me and is environmentally friendly is even better! I take the Hingham ferry because I work long hours and Hingham has a **late (8:30 p.m.) boat.**
62. Clean, safe, convenient, and not too expensive, avoiding traffic, getting to the ferry/train on time.
63. Train or ferry – need transportation to either
64. Ideal: Boat. Important: Relaxation/stress free.
65. Love the boat. Love the train.
66. By train
67. Ideal: Train → subway → to Cambridge. Important: Cost, convenience, availability, earth-friendly!

68. I enjoy public transportation but work at home. I have occasional meetings in Boston. I would welcome additional ferry trips to town and Logan. I would take the ferry more often if it ran **later at night**. Also, the ferry on the **weekend** would be great!
69. Train (now) Ferry at times.
70. The new train will be interesting to see what the cost will be along with parking and compare with cost of driving. Hull needs transportation to either Hingham or Cohasset to the train and it must be on a regular basis.
71. Ferry or train. Clean up the environment.
72. I travel so more frequent ferry plus on-ground trans. to ferry would be ideal.
73. Trolley then train from here to Boston
74. Train and/or ferry. Leave by ferry and return by train, and vice versa, is an excellent idea.
75. Any on time service and dependable to get to boat would be ideal.
76. MBTA bus down Nantasket Ave to the Greenbush line stop
77. Having an **extended T service to the end of Hull with connection to the Greenbush train and Quincy Red Line on one T-pass program**.

Walking and bicycling

1. Walking
2. Walking
3. Walk.
4. Walking!
5. Ideally walk.
6. Walk
7. Walk.
8. Walk
9. Walking – but not possible – or bike, but I work too far away.
10. Walking or biking
11. Walk bike transit may some day be my choice. Car For Sale
12. Ideal: bicycle. Important: health and ecology
13. Bicycle
14. Ideal: Bicycle. Important: A sustainable community, less pollution, and more involved community members.
15. Work outside of Hull typically and so need to drive. Next car will be a hybrid. Local transport is my bicycle (post office, beach, grocery store, etc.) **Safe routes for bicyclists are of importance to me**. People need to be encouraged to get out of their cars.

Carpool

1. Ideal: Car pool. Important: Convenient.

Drive

1. Convenience and time. No traffic!
2. I work at different locations and require my car.
3. Car. Easier.
4. I work in Newton. Only way to get there timely and reliably is by car.
5. Travel New England for my job. Train is great for local use.
6. Drive. Not having to subsidize any portion of the proposed transportation.
7. On my own!!

8. Walk or car. My office is one block from my house. Convenient and frequent transportation, as well as reliability is important.
9. Unfortunately I work the night shift in Boston so it would not be feasible to take public transportation
10. Work in Whitman. No public transportation.
11. I love the ferry – but I work in Norwell
12. I work in Randolph in an industrial park there is not easy way via trans.
13. Need vehicle for business and work.
14. Auto is only option.
15. Driving. Need flexibility throughout the day.
16. Need car for work.
17. By car
18. Remote location, driving is necessary
19. Driving my car. Knowing I will get home on time.
20. No hassles. No car to work and I work in Norwell. It sounds fun.
21. Work in Weymouth but they need vehicles to get to our location
22. Drive
23. I work in Norwood. I would take a train if available
24. Car – convenience
25. My car. I work at South Shore Hospital. There is no bus that goes there. Sometimes I get out of work early.
26. I do not work a set schedule – flex time too great
27. I love the Harbor Express – but I work in Attleboro
28. I have a short commute now
29. Depends on destination.
30. From my house to Mass. Ave. in Dorchester, MA

Zero-emissions car

1. Automobile without polluting
2. Electric car or other zero emissions vehicle (location not accessible to public trans.)
3. I would prefer to be able to walk to work, but since I work in Burlington, MA, the car is still the fastest way. Of course, I wish they made more affordable and effective electric cars/hybrids.
4. Electric car or bicycle
5. My own personal Light Electric Vehicle (LEV) or Zero-Emission Vehicle (ZEV). I have to work around town all day and need mobility and flexibility.
6. A hybrid car of my own
7. I am self employed. I would like to drive a car powered by an alternative fuel source other than gasoline.

Zero emissions

1. Anything using zero emissions
2. 0-emissions
- 3. I like that this town is trying to go 'green.'**
4. Any mode that is environmentally friendly.
5. Limiting or eliminating automobile use; any means of transportation which remains environmentally friendly
6. Saving the environment is very important

7. My number one concern is impact on the environment. Well, it would also have to be fairly inexpensive. . . and run frequently so there are many options time-wise.

Work at home

1. Don't leave home at all/telecommuting
2. Ideally would work from home but I need my car for work

Bus or trolley

1. I currently drive to work in Quincy, but **if trolley transportation were available I would seek employment in Hull.**
2. The bus.
3. Public transportation.
4. The bus or trolley to get us to **Hingham depot**, every morning and night.
5. I already use the bus since I work in Hingham – locally – no emissions
6. Already use public transportation from Hingham to Cambridge.
7. Ideal: Public transportation. Important: Family health Environment safety
8. Via public transportation
9. Using public transportation
10. Public transportation
11. Public transportation.
12. New transit
13. Zero emissions trolley
14. Public transport
15. Travel to Boston by public trans.
16. Mass transit
17. I would need **weekend** trolley service.
18. At least a bus and stop later not a 7 o'clock p.m., but at least **10 o'clock or 12 midnight** so people can get to work and back
19. Reliable bus service that ran more often than every hour and ran **later in the evening and on Sunday.**
20. I take the bus regularly to work but there are no **shelters in Hull to keep out of the rain and snow.** Designated bus stop shelters for commuters.
21. The ideal way to get work would be to have bus service that runs **every ½ hour**
22. **I am somewhat disabled. Have no transportation in the town for every day life errands. I would love this.**
23. Please be sure all transportation is **wheelchair capable.** Access to the train. Frequent, convenient, clean and friendly.
24. Disabled spouse in wheelchair – can walk with quad cane short distances – so we have issues.

What is Important

1. Important: Thinking/planning for the day.
2. Important: To remain in my home indefinitely.
3. Most important is reliability and consistency. I want to know that there will be no stress or "surprises" getting to work in the morning.
4. Safe, reliable, on time.

5. Convenience (many times available) and reliability and less pollution to environment and handicap accessibility.
6. Quick and frequent
7. Fast
8. Mass transit for environmental reasons. Speed. Get to work faster, get home to the best place to live faster ☺
9. Dependable bus with a schedule you can count on.
10. Good schedule
11. Frequency/convenience
12. Walk to public transportation. Multiple schedules. Waste as little life as possible commuting to work.
13. Direct non-stop method
14. To be able to come and go to Boston from the Nantasket end of town.
15. This sounds like my ideal way to get to work! Something easy and convenient that uses less fossil fuels would be great.
16. Comfort and speed.
17. Convenience, schedules
18. Regular schedule/reliable
19. Timely, convenient – affordable
20. Hassle free. Minimum impact on the environment.
21. We do not live in Hull full time, but when the time comes that we do, I would definitely opt for a convenient, clean, zero emissions mode of transportation.
22. I hate to drive. I love public transportation (especially to/from Boston)
23. I would love to use an environmentally form of transportation, but I usually take my dog to day care and that wouldn't fit with a zero-emissions trolley. However, I might use the trolley to get around town (non-commute) or my husband could catch the trolley to get to the ferry or commuter train.
24. Something fast and easy
25. Ideal: Transit. Important: Convenient.
26. Frequent. How fast. Convenient.
27. Mass transit that was reliable, cheap and had a good schedule
28. Convenient, affordable, safe.
29. Reasonable rates.
30. Fast, or expedient; economical – mass transit
31. Saving gas money – affordability – zero emissions.
32. Quick, cheap

Flexible

1. Ideal: Any way.

Dreams

1. Limo
2. Have a chauffer drive me (kidding)
3. Chauffered in a Cadillac or Mercedes with coffee and bagel
4. Helicopter. Convenience. A commute without several transfers and out of the way steps.
5. A zero emissions space craft
6. Heh, wings? Bar growing them, 0-emissions transit would rock. ☺

Comments

Appreciation for ferry, train, and a zero-emissions trolley system

1. Good survey. Hope it results in good transportation.
2. Would like to see this come to fruition.
3. A zero-emissions trolley is a fabulous idea for Hull.
4. I think this is a wonderful concept – Good Luck!
5. My husband and I are both retired. An electric trolley would be ideal in a small town like this.
6. A trolley would be awesome!
7. Trolley or other public transit to new train to Boston would be an advantage to us.
8. Transportation to ferry and train would be of tremendous value to residents of Hull.
9. Thanks for championing this cause!
10. If available, I'd take the trolley to the train at Nantasket Junction.
11. I support anything that is "green." Thank you.
12. I am definitely interested in zero-emissions transit, but would use it outside of work.
13. A regularly scheduled transport for elderly to Kenberma from my door.
14. I would use zero-emissions on weekends to get around town, shopping, post office, and the library.
15. I fully support zero-emissions transit – kudos to your efforts!
16. This would be a great idea!
17. I would use public transportation as often as I can – I often take the train or ferry to Boston on weekends.
18. Great idea – excellent example of leadership! I hope you are able to make something happen.
19. I think the trolley is an excellent idea.
20. Great idea! We need to cut down on emissions in Hull.
21. Would like to see easy transportation to the train.
22. Our entire family is excited about the new train coming – we can't wait to take the ride.
23. I had assumed that the trains and boats would be linked. We really need this option.
24. My family would greatly benefit from this trolley, providing it's convenient and affordable. I think it would be a lot of fun, too!
25. Parking is way too small at the (Greenbush) train stations. What to do?
26. I think this is a very good idea and I would use regularly, especially to get to the train.
27. We love the boat.
28. I'm a senior citizen. Public transport is always a good option.
29. Hull cannot afford to do nothing about mass transit.
30. This is a great plan that I would definitely use.
31. Retired. We would be very interested in the trolley.
32. Really needed in this town.
33. Trolley would be great – Soon I hope.
34. Although located just 2 miles from new train station, present owners require autos due to advanced age.
35. Many people would like this to get to hard places in Boston, and you need no parking fees, or fines, cheaper.

36. My wife and I are retired. We travel to Boston from Hingham (bus) or Quincy (MBTA). We would or intend to use this new rail from Scituate.
37. Great idea. Hope it will pan out! Thank you.
38. Take trolley to Greenbush.
39. A jitney service from Nantasket Beach to train station and to Pemberton Point would be a good service.
40. Currently everything is done by car, but I dream of getting by without it.
41. Thank you!

Good for business

1. **In summer, restaurant parking at beach is “impossible,”** so a trolley would be awesome!
2. Would love public transportation **at night to/from Restaurants/Sea Note.**
3. I would use it to go about Hull – P.O., Riddles, scenic tour – Hull would probably get more of my money.
4. I would like to see trolleys to bring business into town for development.
5. I think transit would be great for our town. It would cut down on traffic in town. You wouldn't have to worry about parking. It would likely keep a lot more business in town. I for one hate driving in and out of town now.

Beach connection

1. It would be nice if the ferry ran on weekends – and more services for the beach **so people won't be coming here with cars!**
2. There should be a zero-emissions vehicle that runs from the boat to the beach, and the boat should run on weekends (and potentially drop people off at Nantasket Pier). Also what about a **South Shore ferry**, like the one that goes to the islands, except this one would go to and from all the South Shore towns (regularly and inexpensively) and bring people to the beach and beachfront merchants. Like hiring/chartering the Irene (or similar) and/or implementing a “water/taxi”-like thing. We could advertise at current beach parking, shops, restaurants, cultural spots, newspapers (and in other towns), current ferries, etc. We could **eliminate a lot of the need for beachfront parking**, thus making more viable the recent suggestion to restore the dunes along the public section of Nantasket Beach. The boat plus the zero-emissions vehicle (ZEV) would have to be cheaper than parking in one of the lots for the day, and would therefore probably have to be funded externally a bit. I look forward to seeing more sustainable transportation options become available, not so much for myself (since I can walk or bike pretty much everywhere I need to go in town, and try to choose wise ways to travel out of town), but for the people who daytrip to the beach from other towns, and for the Hull residents who are unable (due to disability, illness, etc.) to walk or bike where they want/need to go. Also, for people who wouldn't consider walking/biking anyway, we should make something **so compelling, convenient, and affordable that they end up doing the right thing for the environment by default**, because in some other way they view it as the best option for themselves.

Routes

1. Would be great if there was a San Francisco-like trolley on bay side/Washington St. – all the way to Hingham Center + tip of town for tourists to see Wind Turbine.

2. Don't stop the bus. I need to go to Hingham, also.
3. I live on Sunset Point. The bus doesn't come this way.
4. **Trolley will need preferred, close access to ferry dock.**
5. Please do not add trolley tracks. It's bad enough they hacked up Hingham with railroad tracks – don't do that here, too – It's already congested enough in the summer, with people and cars plus don't make easier for the toughies in Boston to hop the train and then the trolley to Hull. We don't need more trouble than our policeman can handle. Remember... less is more. P.S. Warn me ahead of time if you plan to do this so I can sell my house and move now before the crime rate rises 100 fold.
6. I think Greenbush destroyed a lot of people's property values of their homes by going through their back yards.
7. Neither of us can use public transport to get to work other than Red Line T or bus to Quincy.

Walk and bicycle

1. I walk around town all the time – I love to walk.
2. I walk to work at the moment.
3. I'm more likely to take my bike than to walk out to Nantasket Avenue to catch the bus.
4. **Would like to see safe bike paths.**
5. Initially just good safe bicycle paths would be wonderful. Reclaim our railway bed into a dedicated walking, cycling, and rollerblading path.
6. Like to see bike paths. More weekend transport to Boston.

Schedule

1. **The bus service we have now (for the hours it runs) has been very reliable.**
2. The current bus does not **connect to the 7:00 a.m. boat.**
3. There is no transit to come home or go out after 8 p.m.
4. **Need more transportation in the town! Lost a lot of business without transportation in the town. Hull needs a bus or have the trolley run to Hingham every morning and night. We need the Metro bus to get us to work. We also need a better time system. There are a lot of associates that need the bus to get to work. – From the regular bus crew in the morning and night!**
5. Have a 5-minute drive to and from hardware store door to door – not worth walk to Nantasket Ave. from home if 15 min. or more wait for public transportation unless unable to drive.
6. Ideally there would be commuter runs and tourist runs separate from each other. When you commute daily, it is difficult to be bombarded with vacationers, children, luggage, etc. when you're trying to get to work and home from work either have **separate runs or an increased schedule of frequency to accommodate summer influx of vacationers and travelers.**
7. I regularly travel between Hull (here) and airport/train stations **nights and weekends.** However, I'm **forced to take taxis** to complete the leg in Hull as there are no alternatives to getting from Hull and public transportation during these times. The MBTA boats from Pemberton stop too early in eves and don't run weekends. The Rte. 714 bus doesn't run often enough or all year long to make it a dependable source for getting to/from Hingham boat or Quincy boat or Quincy Red Line. I would hope that once the new Greenbush commuter rail line goes active, there is additional transport

from the new Summer St. Hingham station into Hull (especially one coordinated with arrival and departures of the trains).

8. Transportation to Greenbush line would be awesome if it is available nights or weekends to get to Boston.
9. Ferry service should be more frequent into Boston – weekends, etc. **Many Hull people drive to Quincy on weekends, etc. to use boat.**
10. More ferry runs possibly into Boston on weekends.
11. Need additional ferry runs to and from Boston and Logan to Pemberton. This should be incorporated into study.
12. All the boats that leave Hull should go directly to Boston – routing many/most to Quincy first isn't sound. Also, the schedule should include a mid-afternoon trip to Hull from Boston – it would increase ridership overall, I'm sure, as many would take the early morning boats now if there were a mid-afternoon return.
13. If transit to boat or train is not 100% reliable and predictable, it is useless. Thank you!
14. The ferry in Hingham only has 2 bus hook-ups and they don't always accomplish meeting the boats on time – not acceptable!
15. To coordinate local transit with commuter boat better than is being done presently.
16. Would the trolley be available during the long bad days of winter?

Passes

1. Should be **a resident pass and a non-resident fee structure** – maybe subsidized by MBTA – a pass would allow multiple trips to stores, coffee shops, etc.

Style

1. I think residents would use it if it were available – plus it could be charming and responsible.
2. **Small frequently running conveyances would be better than larger, less frequent ones.** Routes should be planned to create easy walking distances from home to stop.
3. Get something to transport people that looks like a bus, not a commercial work vehicle that you have now.
4. A monorail would make Hull like Disney.

Expand the idea

1. **When the Hingham Shipyard project is complete, there should be regular (daily/evening) ferry runs to and from Hull.**
2. **I would also love public transportation to Plymouth and Cape Cod.**
3. Would love to see better availability of public transportation – even for those of us who work in **Norwell**, etc.

School transportation/Help reduce traffic

1. Use hybrid vans, electric battery, solar, vegetable oil, ethanol – all are available now. -- Get rid of the yellow bus company completely. The children who live in the town, i.e., Hull or Cohasset, Scituate, should not be bused. It is a disgrace. Walk, use bicycles, or pay for green transportation. They will have less energy to fight or hang around and less money to “wager” on games. -- Hull can be the first town to use the Greenbush commuter rail in a positive way and turn around all the nasty, negative comments during

its building from Hingham and Cohasset residents by getting “green” transportation vans or trolleys or taxis to coordinate with the train and ferry schedules so **no one has to leave a car at the station or pier**. Everyone can go home without using cars or Rte 3A which is bumper to bumper now. In a small bus like AA Metro – 20 or 30 people could go back to Hull. Another van for Cohasset. Another for Scituate. So far 3 buses. 90 people. 87 fewer vehicles. Do the math for the entire process ferry and train for all the stops and 3A will look the “old days” and Hingham and Cohasset can shut up all the negative remarks.

Other priorities

1. Why don't you put energy into stopping or slowing the development of what little open space is left in Hull? Development = more traffic!
2. Let's fix beaches, seawalls, schools, etc. before starting another project!!
3. We need a lot of things in this town before we need this.
4. Energy conservation NEEDS to be emphasized along with “zero” emissions vehicles

I erased two comments by mistake, but the essence of the comments was:

5. Cut down on emissions by consolidating trash pick up.
6. Cut down on mailings by offering to email Light bills to people with automatic payments

Thank you to everyone who participated in the survey.