



TOWN OF PRINCETON
Facilities Steering Committee, Phase II
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To: Residents of Princeton
From: Facilities Steering Committee, Phase II

The Selectboard established the Facilities Steering Committee, Phase II, to make recommendations, share information with voters and assist in the securing of funding for the development of plans and construction documents for a new public safety building to be built at the Princeton Center School site. We will regularly use a Question and Answer format to answer your questions and share the information we have learned.

1. Can we construct the public safety complex in stages?

The Facilities Steering Committee (FSC) will work with the architect during the next phase of the project to determine the feasibility of phasing the construction of the public safety complex and what financial impact it could bring.

2. Is the Town planning to tear down the Princeton Center School?

No formal decision has been made to date, but the building is currently closed for use and if not incorporated into the public safety building, it will be torn down. What part is saved if incorporated into the public safety building will depend on cost and voter approval. This will be explored further in the next phase of the project.

3. Has the Conservation Commission looked at the field as far as wetlands are concerned?

A wetlands buffer was included by JWA report as part of their site assessment. The new facility will fit in the upland area of the site without impacting any wetlands. The FSC can work with the Conservation Commission as needed during the next phase of the project.

4. Could alternative materials and techniques be used to keep cost down?

The architect will make a recommendation on what building materials are most appropriate to suit the safety needs in addition to the required building codes and standards. We believe there may be an opportunity to use lower cost materials and construction techniques such as prefab buildings, but we need to rely upon the architect for where and how this can be done. This will be explored in the next iteration of the building design and cost estimate.

For more information, please go to:
http://town.princeton.ma.us/Pages/PrincetonMA_BComm/facilitiessteer

If you have questions that you would like answered, please email:
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