

Communication: How do you get information about issues going on in Canaan?

Public Postings	31%
Valley News	36%
Mascoma Listserve	2%
Radio	2%
Town Web Page	8%
Word of mouth	13%
Town emails	6%

Other

emails from our representative
 Facebook
 Social media (Facebook
 FLYERS
 Gossip
 only by word of mouth
 Spouse
 TOWN BULLETIN BOARDU
 Town emails
 twitter)
 we need a small newspaper
 HANDBILLS
 This is a great failing in Canaan. I read the paper and I still know little.

Do you use a cell-phone in Canaan? Yes 68% No 20%

Would you support building a new cell-phone tower in the area? Yes 77% No 18%

Do you use Internet from home? Yes 90% No 10%

Which service do you use?

Dial up	3%
DSL	24%
Cable	58%
Satellite	8%

Other cell phone 4, WiFi/wireless 4, Verizon 3

Have you visited Canaan's new website, www.canaannh.org? Yes 71% No 29%

What would facilitate communication amongst the town's people?

A listserv like Enfield and Lyme have.
 A listserver such as Enfield ; this would be for Canaan residents
 A local paper
 A message board/hat feature on the town website?

A nice tavern

A real newspaper, a better website (too confusing), a town list-serve

a small weekly newspaper is needed

a town newsletter by mail. or can be picked up at designated Places in Town by month or season

a town newspaper and planned days for certain news on the web site as well as e-mails, better place for town postings available when town office is closed and keeping it up to date

a weekly regional excerpt on the town web page that gives local news, events, business advertisements, business coupons and fliers, local club and church notices, weekly police and fire log,

a weekly town newspaper

Again -- the Town Manager needs to be more communicative. Lets have a little transparency here with what's going on in the town. Be informative via emails. That would facilitate communication amongst towns people because we need to know what is even going on first.

Banner hung across the intersection (blinking light) for major events.

Continue with the town email

Better cell phone coverage. We had AT&T, & the reception we had in Canaan, well let's say is was out right bad. With many people not using land lines for phones, good cell reception would be welcomed.

Better cell phone service

Better cell phone service. It's a deterrent to buying here. A town Facebook page or twitter feed would be great

better development of the Town Green; more common gathering places

better internet access

bleachers at sports games?

Broadcasting via email or text of important happenings

Canaan actually does a pretty good job.

More postings of the web site (perhaps on an "Entering Canaan" sign)

Canaan opening up forums on the town web site. Canaan town listserve.

cell service

agood local paper

Cell tower in church steeple

web site listserve

continuing to use multiple methods

create a pubic posting board on the town common with year round access. Use volunteer labor and materials to construct. No impact to taxpayers!

DATED ROADSIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS OF TOWN MEETINGS/30 DAY ADVANCE NOTICE

DATED ROADSIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS W/AT LEAST 30-DAY LEAD TIMES FOR TOWN MEETINGS

Due to sporatic high speed, town needs to insure non-village residents and seasonal residents receive paper notification at home.

E mail

Facebook page, a community bulletin board that's larger
farmers market, holiday festival Like Last winter, coffee shop near the green, concerts
Find a way to communicate the town's secrets to all instead of just a few special people. Not all people
are treated equal!
Good Luck!
Good question. I always assumed that the people who wanted to communicate did. What about a blog?
hand outs at local businesses or posting of flyers.
have a real town meeting, not just for voting.
Having a better put together downtown area. Electronic newsletter.
Having a grocery store nearby - we could meet our neighbors!
Having more social events, e-mail announcements to residents,
I am very pleased with the email communication.
I like the web and emails myself, but we have a lot of elderly people that don't use computers. How much
would a monthly or quarterly "flyer" cost to send to people in the mail?
I looked up voting results and couldn't find anything but last year's results
I think information is there if people look for it.
I would support using one of the church towers as a cell phone tower
if people are interested they will seek out what it is that interest them
Increasing taxes - for a new school!
interactive canaan website
internet and hope of positive actions
Lack of growth. Need to encourage middle income population to move here and provide some convenient
shopping. The drive to Lebanon is a deterrent for home buyers.
Leave it alone-do not organize, it is fine as is
list serve
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Mailings of town events to select groups depending upon activity
More information in local papers or mailings in the resident mailboxes.
More people signing up for town email list -- I think this works great!
More townwide activities like christmas in canaan
news in Valley News
News letters, email dispatches.
Newsletter
Listserv
Newsletters, advanced notice of meetings or events. Mailings?
Newsletters, stronger website, that is kept up to date

No

no

No comment

No idea

No Opinion

Notices in stores and churches and in Valley News Calendar

Perhaps a Canaan-specific listserv

Places where people gather to socialize?

Possible.

radio

Responses to concerns, not ignoring concerns. People voice concerns at the select meetings & don't even get responses.

Seems fine as is, not aware of any problems

Selectboard minutes need to be kept up to date on the website (post a few days after each meeting).

Small newspaper w/other communities Orange, Dorchester, Enfield + Grafton

Social events that encourage the town to get together, meet and share.

The town emails are right. I would welcome more of them.

The transfer station is a great way to communicate since everybody has to go there. (Including, as far as I can tell, hundreds of non-residents and contractors who abuse the site tremendously. When I went to pick up my trash sticker, the guy in front of me explained that he doesn't live in Canaan, but his girlfriend does, and he owns rental properties in lots of local towns so he has lots of trash from them, and comes to the transfer station several times a week and that's why he needs a sticker. They gave him his sticker. He doesn't even pay taxes here. Now my blood pressure is going up...)

The town website and email list are very helpful.

The website and emails are helping. When I see something on the website or get an email I often end up talking about it with friends. Is there a chance that round table discussions would move the chats from Evans and Papa Z's to a more open location? I would also like to see the fire and police depts open their doors for tours/demonstrations so that we all understand the great things they are doing. This would be great for other departments and offices as well.

Town bulletin board

Town events. Chance for people to get together and get to know each other.

topic specific e-mail folders that people could subscribe to.

blogs from town officials

Town Hall meetings quarterly to let the people who are interested in the town but do not always have time to attend every meeting.

Town newsletter

Town newspaper or flier. Town bulletin board

Using different mediums to target your different age groups. Facebook and websites for the younger

generations, and perhaps mailing and/or e-mailing monthly newsletter or something of the like for the older population.

Vague question. Controversy?

website

website is good

Why do we need to communicate?