#### Sidewalk and Bike Path Committee

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#### Our Mission

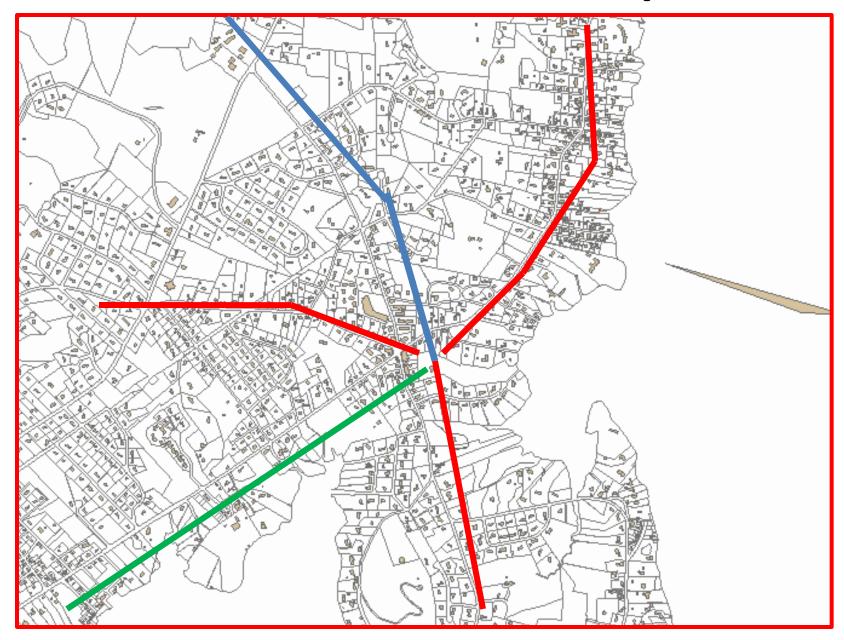
Encourage and facilitate the creation of sidewalks and bike paths to improve

- Safety
- Sense of Community
- Local Business
- Traffic
- Green Transportation
- Healthy Recreation
- Allure of our town

## Our Vision for Connecting Duxbury

Using a "Hub and Spoke" approach, connect commercial centers, cultural attractions, schools, public buildings, parks, and recreational facilities

## Hall's Corner Hub with Spokes



# **Project Selection**

- COMMUNITY BENEFITS popular use, important connector, recreational opportunity
- CONGESTION reduce traffic congestion and improve public safety
- FEASIBILITY would abutting property owners be receptive and construction be reasonable
- COST are funding sources available, does benefit to town offset cost

# **Current Project: Alden Street**Cultural Connection

- Connects library and school complex, Alden House, and Art Complex Museum
- Heavily-used auto and pedestrian traffic street
- Connects to sidewalk on Saint George St.
- Design funding has been provided by the Art Complex Museum; seeking construction funding from mixed private and public sources.





Proposed Alden recreation path on South (left) side of road terminating at the Art Complex Museum.



Proposed Alden recreation path alongside Alden House Museum.



Proposed Alden recreation path alongside tennis courts linking library.



Proposed Alden recreation path alongside Train Field terminating at Percy Walker Pool



Alden "Cultural Connection" recreation path allows for recreation from school complexes to Alden House and Art Complex Museum.

## Advantages of Alden Path

- Provides safe access for students to and from museums
- Connects museums and library for all patrons
- Ties into Saint George Street sidewalk
- Alden House has been mentioned as a possible hub for Duxbury during Plymouth's 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. Path will increase access and parking options.

# **Design Process**

- 1. Town accepts private sourced funding for design and survey.
- 2. Town hires engineers for survey and preliminary design.
- 3. Prepare survey and preliminary design (when the snow melts!)
- 4. Hold public hearings.
- 5. Complete design.
- 6. Submit design for bidding process.

# Future Projects & Considerations

- Hub and Spoke Connection
- Plymouth 400<sup>th</sup> in 2020
- Hall's Corner Economic
   Development and Transportation
   Study
- Depot Street -Tremont Street-Washington Street
- Safe Routes to School
- Creating Trails Under Power Lines
- Suggestions?

### Recent Studies/Noteworthy Articles

- Metropolitan Area Planning Council (Oct,2011)-Of 101 communities in Greater Boston/Duxbury ranked last for sidewalk coverage on main roads (1%).
- MarketWatch (August 18, 2009)-Homes in walkable neighborhoods sold for more than comparable homes without that amenity.
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2009-2010)-35.9% of Adults over age 20 are obese (BMI of 30 or higher)

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