

# A vision for Pagoda Circle

A community  
visioning  
process



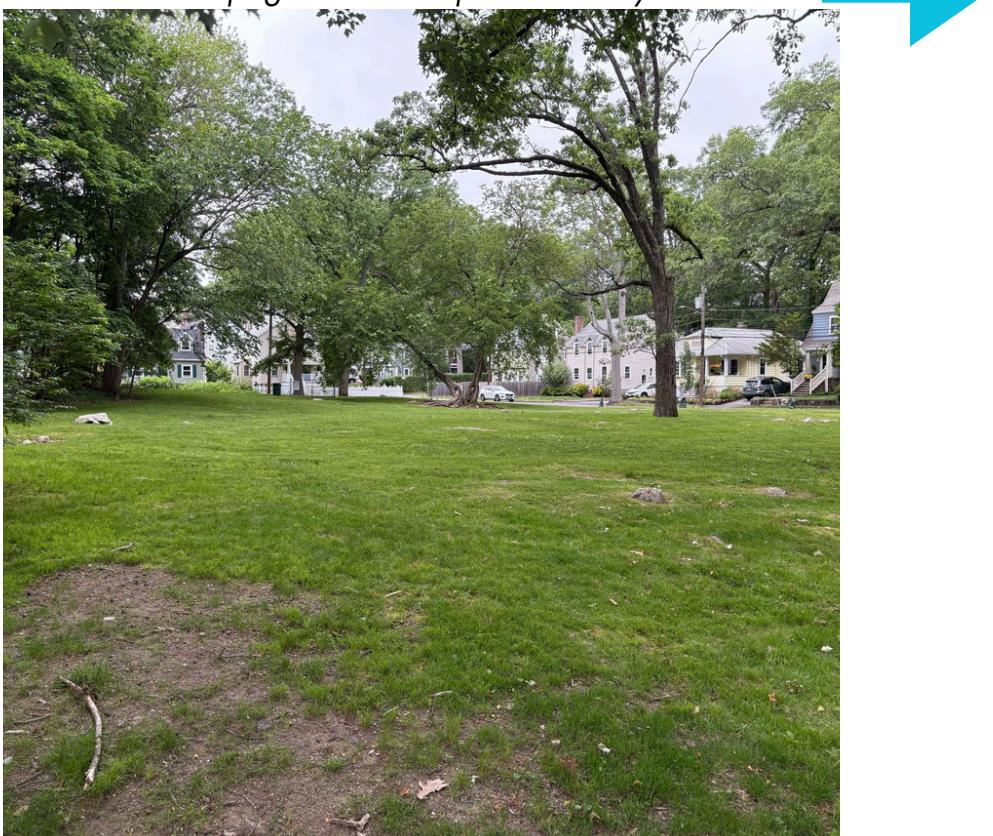
Pagoda Circle is a small park space that has been used by neighbors across generations for walks, pick-up football games, exploring the small woods. The Pagoda Circle Neighborhood Association has existed for multiple generations around Pagoda Circle. While leadership has changed over time as children grew and new families came in, the association has stayed in touch via an email list-serv and periodic community events, such as block parties.

In September 2024, the Pagoda Circle Neighborhood applied for Community Preservation Funding. The process included extensive and explicit engagement with residents, town employees, officials, and community organizations.

To further explore the themes that came up in that engagement, the Town of Milton's Masterplan Implementation Committee hired the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) to conduct further visioning conversations about what neighbors wanted to see for Pagoda Circle.

Community members shared a desire for key infrastructure investments for safety and accessibility, along with more consistent community building opportunities, without over-developing the circle.

*Turn the page to see our process & key themes!*



# The Process

- August - September 2024: MAPC develops proposal to MPIC for a visioning process that would include: 1:1 conversations with community members and visioning sessions.
- November 2024: Project Kick Off & Presentation of Project Approach to MPIC
- December 2024 - March 2025: One on One Conversations with Community Members
- May 2025 - Pagoda Circle Visioning Session
- June 2025 - Pagoda Circle Block Party
- July - August 2025 - Develop Final Report & Recommendations

## What we asked:

- What is your story of Pagoda Circle?
- What are your hopes and dreams for Pagoda Circle?
- What would seasonal activities at Pagoda Circle look like?
- How can community members better coordinate with each other on programming and use?
- What are your concerns about Pagoda Circle?

## What we heard:

- Interest in seasonal programming;
- Emphasis on preserving the natural environment;
- Concern for safety and accessibility – ranging from installing benches to conducting dead tree clean up;
- Desire for high involvement from those neighboring Pagoda Circle;

## What's Next:

- We've shared this report with the Town of Milton, the MPIC and all community members we talked to in this process, including you!
- We hope this report can supplement the information gathered through the Community Preservation Funds work and foster further community connection.