



Building Placement:

Building placement is one of the most important factors in establishing Milltown Common's traditional New England village atmosphere. The layout and density is intended to create a compact pedestrian friendly community that allows residents to interact with their neighbors and to walk from their homes to shopping, recreation or even their workplace. The layout also encourages visitors to park their cars and walk to shops, businesses and restaurants. By developing buildings around a central green, main street or open space, each neighborhood is given a focal point which helps reinforce the sense of place and community. The compact placement of buildings combined with porches, sidewalks and tree lined streets also creates the traditional village streetscape and at the same time conserves valuable open space that can be left in its natural state or be used for recreational purposes. This development approach provides a project with rural village character that will generate significant tax revenue but is also in keeping with the goals of the North Stonington Plan of Conservation and Development.

To further enhance the pedestrian friendly atmosphere, residential garages are typically accessed from back alleys and public parking lots are typically accessed from perimeter roads. This reduces vehicle entry and exit points and removes vehicles from pedestrian oriented areas.

The following drawings provide detailed illustration of the placement of buildings with respect to streets, greens and pedestrian passages.



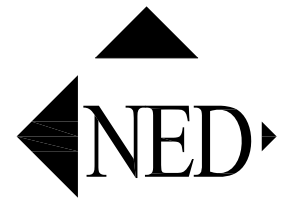
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