

The Historic Gateway to Weston



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A proposal to restore, renovate and repurpose

The Old Library and the Tavern

for the **benefit of Weston residents** and their friends



For details, see



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## A balanced, responsible plan

- Based on Town views expressed in 2014 survey
- Respect user preferences
- Fiscally sound and achievable

## Responses to 2014 Town Survey (~360 resp. /1100 )

as “**Strongly or Somewhat support**”

Restaurant/café:	<b>41+37= 78%</b>
Arts/Cultural Center:	<b>40+44= 84%</b>
Museum/space for Weston artifacts:	<b>25+46= 71%</b>
Function space for rent:	<b>24+50= 74%</b>
Office Space for Weston non-profits:	<b>17+50= 67%</b>

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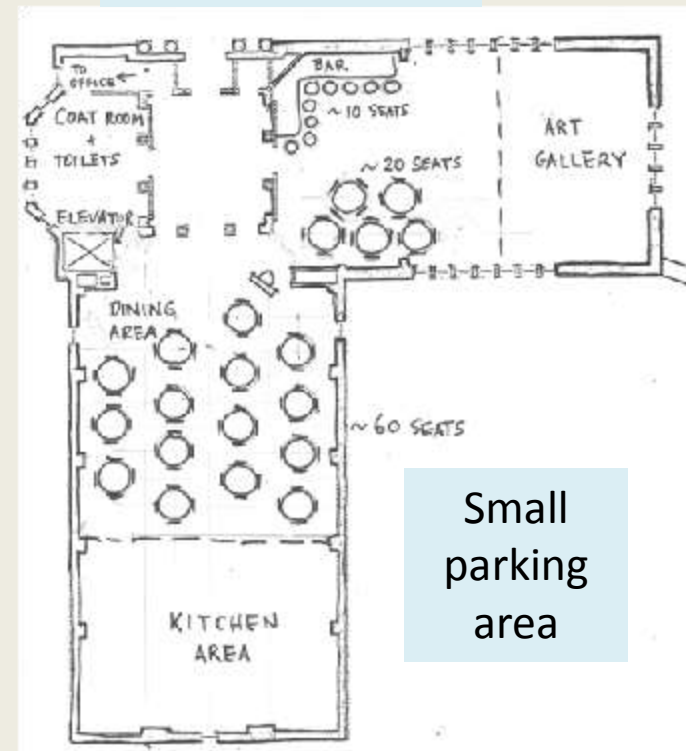


### In the Old Library,

- a 60-80 seat, cozy, friendly restaurant upstairs
- modestly priced menu
- open 6 days a week
- professional chef and staff
- Reservations at any time

...storage and commercial space in the lower level

Boston Post Road



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In the Josiah Smith Tavern buildings:

- **Weston Historical Society**
  - on the first floor
  - **their preference**
- **Women's Community League**
  - in the Connector and Barn
  - **their preference**
- **Ballroom and Barn**
  - as exhibit or event spaces
- Remaining **2-3 offices for rent**
  - to non-profits (or commercial)



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So here is what we propose:

- **A long-term lease** to Town-focused **COMPANY**:
  - **BOARD OF TOWN RESIDENTS**
  - **RESTORATION and ADAPTATION**  
Provide for FULL public access all spaces  
Using Community Preservation Act funds (except restaurant)
  - **OPERATION fully funded** by revenue from
    - A 60-80 seat, professionally-run restaurant in the Library
    - + Rental office space
    - + Income from the Jones sisters' Trust Fund

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