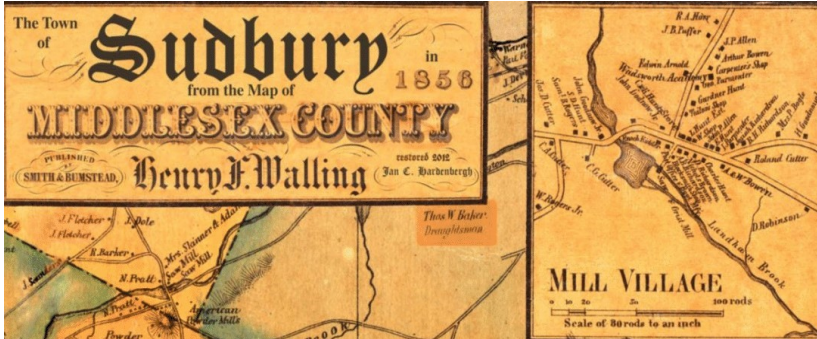


Sudbury Master Plan Community Conversation

Historic & Cultural Resources



Sudbury was founded in 1639. It has a rich history expressed through its historic neighborhoods, farms, and landscapes, including the town's many ponds and streams that contribute to Sudbury's overall scenic character and sense of place.



Historical Map 1856 Withinset of Mill Village near intersection of Concord Road and Boston Post Road. Unknown source.



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Historic Buildings and Structures

Sudbury has over 400 historic sites and structures inventoried in the Massachusetts Cultural Resources Information System (MACRIS). Six local granite markers are listed on the National Register of Historic Places along with four buildings, one of which was demolished in the 1990s.

- Bogle-Walker House
- Goodnow Library
- Moses Brewer House

Town-owned historic properties are:

- Hosmer House
- Loring, Reverend Israel Parsonage
- Haynes Garrison site
- Revolutionary War Training Field (Old County Rd)
- Revolutionary War Cemetery (Town Center)
- Carding Mill



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Preservation Tools

The Town is committed to preserving its rich historical heritage through general and zoning bylaws, and the work of town committees, commissions, and boards as well as non-profit and community organizations.

| General and Zoning Bylaws | Town Committees, Commissions, and Boards | Non-Profit and Community Organizations |
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| Wayside Inn Historic Preservation Zone | Sudbury Historical Commission | Goodnow Library Trustees |
| Historic Districts and the Zoning Bylaw | Sudbury Historic Districts Commission | Sudbury Historical Society |
| Demolition Delay Bylaw | Sudbury Planning Board | Sudbury Foundation |
| Scenic Roads Bylaw | Community Preservation Committee | Sudbury Valley Trustees |

Historic Districts

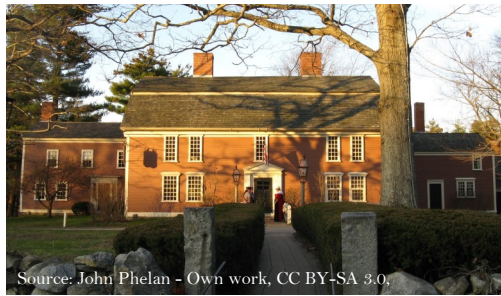
Sudbury has 5 historic districts, two of which are on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP).

Old Sudbury Historic District

The District, also known as the Sudbury Center Historic District, was the first district to be established in the Town in 1963. Listed on the NRHP, it is comprised of 98 sites that span over 300 years of growth and development in the community. Some of the sites include the First Parish Meetinghouse, Hosmer House, Loring Parsonage, and Town Hall.

Wayside Inn Historic Districts

The Districts, listed on the NRHP, have 36 designated Local Historic Places, including the Wayside Inn. It claims to be the nation's oldest and longest-running inn and was made famous by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow when he wrote



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Tales of the Wayside Inn shortly after his first visit to the Red Horse Inn. Also in this Districts is the Redstone Schoolhouse, which is said to be where Mary and her little lamb went to school from the famous nursery rhyme *Mary Had A Little Lamb*.

Cultural Assets

Sudbury has many cultural assets that contribute to its overall sense of place and give residents access to diverse experiences around the arts and other enriching opportunities. Civic and community organizations offer events, membership, and programming on a wide range of topics where residents can learn and connect.

The Sudbury Cultural Council (SCC) supports and promotes community-originated projects and activities in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences. It disperses funds it receives from the Massachusetts Cultural Council. SCC works collaboratively with organizations in the community, helping them develop ideas for programs and events.



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King Philip Historic District

Many of Local Historic Places designations are concentrated in this district. The district is historically significant in that it was the site of the King Philip's War battle of 1676 where Captain Samuel Wadsworth and his troops were killed. The men were honored by erecting the Wadsworth Monument, which now appears on the Town seal. This area is also home to the Goodnow library as well as Sudbury's oldest existing home, Goulding House.

George Pitts Tavern Historic District

This district might be the smallest, but its historic significance is huge in that it was location of the famous 1721 Town Meeting that approved the building of a new church in western Sudbury, which ultimately separated Wayland from Sudbury. Today it is home to 18 Local Historic Places including Forrest D. Bradshaw House, and Christopher G. Cutler House.

Religious Institutions

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| Our Lady of Fatima | St. Anselm's Church |
| Congregation B'nai Torah | Sudbury United Methodist Church |
| Congregation Beth El | St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church |
| Presbyterian Church in Sudbury | First Parish of Sudbury (Unitarian Universalist) |
| St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church | Memorial Congregational Church |
| New Church of Boston | Chabad Jewish Center of Sudbury |

Fraternal Organizations

Knights of Columbus

Special Interest Organizations

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| Sudbury Garden Club | Chinese American Association of Sudbury |
| Sudbury Historical Society | Goodnow Library Foundation |
| Sudbury Boy and Girl Scouts | Sudbury Savoyards |
| Sudbury Art Association | The Thursday Garden Club of Sudbury |
| Hope Sudbury | Friends of the Goodnow Library |