

CHARLTON HISTORIC MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENT PLAN



Existing conditions (2003) of the Historic Main Street in the Town of Charlton, New York.

Total Study Cost: \$24,000 consultant effort

Description: Charlton Road (formerly Main Street in the Town of Charlton) passes through the historic Hamlet of Charlton. Unfortunately, increasing truck traffic, high vehicle speeds and the lack of pedestrian facilities on Charlton Road threaten the rural character and safety of the historic Hamlet. The Main Street Improvement Plan attempts to address these concerns by: 1) creating a sense of entry and welcome to the Hamlet; 2) forwarding traffic calming initiatives; 3) improving pedestrian circulation and safety; 4) addressing aesthetic issues and 5) enhancing the quality of life in Charlton. Key recommendations that were developed through an extensive public involvement process include:

- A pedestrian pathway with associated pedestrian enhancements including new landscaping, historic lighting and textured crosswalks.
- Gateway treatments including welcome signs, pedestrian and bicycle signs and splitter islands that would also serve to calm traffic.
- Well defined or consolidated access to the existing Town Hall, the proposed Town Hall site and Gideon Hawley Park.

This study was completed in June 2003.

To view the final report, visit <http://www.cdtcmpo.org/linkage/charlton.pdf>

Sponsors: CDTC and Town of Charlton

Consultant Team: LandWorks in association with Resource Systems Group and Community Development Resources, LLC