

# WAC Mission:

Ensure adequate drinking water  
for the Shelter Island Community

## WAC Strategy

### Ensure adequate drinking water for Shelter Island

Advise Town Board on appropriate actions/regulations

Educate community about water conservation (quality + quantity)

Utilize best available science to evaluate quality and quantity of available drinking water

Identify and utilize best practices to help manage drinking water (e.g. Suffolk County, West Neck Water, NY State, etc.)

## WAC Actions: Advise Town Board

- Monitor monthly well levels
- Develop baseline reporting routines
- Identify and report potential water quality and quantity issues
- Recommend appropriate actions in event of draught or contamination of water
- Report against 17 point water plan identified by Supervisor and Engineer

## WAC Actions: Educate Community

- Update Town website with relevant information
- Utilize Shelter Island Reporter for proactive communication
- Leverage Associations (Shelter Island, West Neck, Hay Beach, Ram Island, etc.)
- Participate in Town Events
- Proactive communications to the Town Board / Liaisons
- Ensure WAC members are engaged and involved

## WAC Action: Utilize best available science

- Close relationship with USGS
- Clear baseline metrics
  - quality
  - quantity
- Utilize town engineering expertise
- Reach out to Suffolk County and other resources

## WAC Actions: Identify “the best practices”

- Engage Nature Conservancy/ Suffolk County/ State
- Reach out to subject water experts
  - Irene Fischer/ Fred Strum/ Chris Shubert
  - Joe Finora/ Jeremy Samuelson
- Tap into available funding (e.g. Suffolk County)