Preserved Farms

Development rights are one part of a landowner's bundle of property rights. Put simply, the value of development rights can be thought of as the monetary difference between residential, commercial, or industrial development value (also known in the appraisal world as the "highest and best use") and the current agricultural land value. This monetary difference is based on fair market appraisals and would be paid to the landowner in exchange for an agricultural easement placed over the land. After the development rights are purchased the farm owner retains ownership and the property may be transferred thereafter, but the agricultural easement continues to apply to all future landowners.

Additional properties are currently under consideration for preservation.

Please contact Jim Gage at (860) 875-6971 or
the Planning Department at (860) 870-3120 for more information.

The following properties are privately owned and do not allow for public access.

Burke Ridge Farm 95 Wapping Wood Road 119 Acres in Ellington (Portion in S. Windsor) Development Rights Acquired 3/23/81 Irish Bend Orchard 138 Reeves Road 5 Acres in Ellington (Portions in Enfield & Somers) Development Rights Acquired 11/10/83 **Pease Farm** 165 Reeves Road 20.79 Acres in Ellington (Portion in Somers) Development Rights Acquired 12/9/83 **Way Farm** 23 Frog Hollow Road 68.6 Acres Development Rights Acquired 1/13/86

Dzen Farm Sadds Mill Road 22.25 Acres Development Rights Acquired 1/13/86 Thrall Farm 71 Abbott Road 171.09 Acres Development Rights Acquired 9/8/93 Silverhurst/Foster Farm 190 Pinney Street 97.32 Acres Development Rights Acquired 6/24/10 Silverhurst/Foster/Thrall Farm Pinney Street 20.57 Acres Development Rights Acquired 6/24/10 Myers Farm Near Green & Reeves Roads 70.59 Acres Development Rights Acquired 12/28/12 **Charter Farm** 516 Somers Road 43.39 Acres in Ellington (33.71 Acres in Somers) Development Rights Acquired 2/10/14