## **Alternative #6**

• The Town of Pelham completes annual Gypsy Moth infestation surveys and sprays only municipal property with moderate to severe infestation. The Town of Pelham subsidizes the coordination and administration of spraying private properties, while the owners are responsible for organizing and funding the spraying of neighborhoods.

Pros	Cons
<ul> <li>Engaging the public to determine and organize their method of Gypsy Moth control increases the level of community participation and awareness of the problem.</li> <li>Spraying only Municipal Property allows for greater cost certainty and budget projection.</li> <li>Urban and Rural property owners would be treated equally.</li> <li>Significant reduction in the overall program cost: this approach would require an estimated annual budget between \$20,000 and \$80,000 depending on the Gypsy Moth population and control measures required in a given year. Between infestations it is best practice to budget for annual surveys to monitor populations of Gypsy Moths and other defoliating pests.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Municipal properties could be re-infested from neighboring properties that do not attempt control measures.</li> <li>Consensus within neighborhoods might not be achievable.</li> <li>Cost of private spraying may increase depending on scale.</li> </ul>