

BARNSTABLE and DENNIS CLIMATE STRIKE events:



The **Climate Strike** event in **Barnstable** was well attended, with an estimated 150-200 people. The crowd, about ½ of whom were students, gathered in front of the Cape Cod Commission offices at 10:30 on Friday morning.



There were impassioned speeches by representatives of 350capecod.org, students, and others. LWVCCA was represented by members Rosemary Shields, Mary Utt, and Richard Utt.

At 11:00, we observed 11 minutes of silence while church bells were rung all over Cape Cod, to symbolize that we are in the 11th hour of any effort to prevent catastrophic climate change.

The event was organized by 350capecod.org, and the location was chosen because the Cape Cod Commission is responsible for developing the Cape Cod Regional Policy Plan (RPP), which sets growth and development policy that is binding across all 15 Cape towns. We were asking them to adopt amendments that would make climate concerns central to the plan.

See the current [Regional Policy Plan here](#)

See the 350.org [proposed amendments here](#)

See the Cape Cod Commission [Public Meeting Schedule here](#). (Scroll down to “Cape Cod Commission Initiates Community Process on Climate”)

There was also a good crowd at the **Climate Strike** event in **Dennis**: There were about 120 people at the event. The rally was organized by the Safe Communities group, but members of additional groups or individuals were there. Other groups were [Lower Cape Indivisible](#), the Dennis Democratic Town Committee and the League of Women Voters. Two students spoke, one from Truro and another from DY. The group stood in front of Dennis Town Hall close to the side of Route 134. Many passing cars sounded their horns or cheered in support of the rally. In the last 10 minutes, the organizers gathered us together to listen to share some comments and invite others to speak.

[LWVCCA](#) was represented by members Elaine Dickinson, Karen Mazza, Judy and Barry Thomas, Elaine Bono and Pat Ryle.

