

A Communist Revolution in Flamborough

Standing outside Waterdown's iconic Memorial Hall, the Flamborough Communist Party (FCP) announced the overthrow of the local government and the establishment of a Leninist Communist State.

You are the committee tasked with transforming Flamborough, a community rooted in capitalism and private-property ownership, into a communist state.



Principles of Bolshevism:

- A person was important as a member of a collective rather than as a distinct individual. For Example, individuals only had the right to freedom of expression if it safeguarded the interests of a collective.
- Party members were not allowed to be religious. Organized religion is banned.
- Insisted on one highly centralized, disciplined, professional Communist Party led by intellectuals to govern the state.
 - Repressive powers of the state could be used in order to force change on a society. Lenin called this the "Dictatorship of the Proletariat" (wage earners, or workers).
- A small group of organized people could wield power over society using superior organizational skills. They could make decisions for the good of the many and ensure the success of the revolution (there was no faith that society itself would achieve the ideals of communism without the leadership of a small group directing it accordingly): The theory of **collective leadership**.
 - **Democratic Centralism:** decisions are taken after discussions, but once the general party line has been formed, discussion on the subject must cease. No member or organizational institution may dissent on a policy after it has been agreed upon by the party's governing body.

- Lenin recognized that these small groups could be problematic and stated that they needed to be watched by the party leadership, who in turn needed to be watched to ensure they were not concentrating too much power.
- All property is owned by the “Soviet” (the people) and administered by the State. There is no private property ownership.
- All aspects of the economy are operated directly by the State – private enterprise is not permitted and needs to be dismantled.
- **Your directive is to reorganize Flamborough into a state that produces grain that can be exported to other communist states. Grain productivity must increase by 200% within the next 5 years.**

With all of this in mind, create a plan to reorganize Flamborough into a Communist State. **Prepare a plan to explain what Flamborough will look like.**

