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Towards Excellence in Governance

Welcome

'Excellence in Governance' is one of the Islands Trust Council's top priorities. The Islands Trust Council created a Governance Task Force to improve governance in the Islands Trust Area. Specifically, we are seeking ways to improve **political representation** in the Islands Trust Area.

Any changes to the political structure of the Islands Trust may require amendments to the provincial Islands Trust Act. Only the provincial government can make such changes.

Before making any recommendations to the Provincial Government, we want to hear your thoughts on the options that have been identified.



Islands Trust History

1974

- Province enacts legislation to create the Islands Trust as a provincial body to preserve and protect the Islands Trust Area
- Established 13 local trust areas
- Fully funded by the Province

1978

- Province amends legislation to transfer land use planning and regulation in the Trust Area to Local Trust Committees (from Regional Districts)
- Authority to levy taxes – one tax rate for all islands in the Trust Area

1990

- Province reviews Islands Trust and confirms value and mandate
- Legislation changed to formally establish Trust Council as the authority for general governance and regional decision-making