

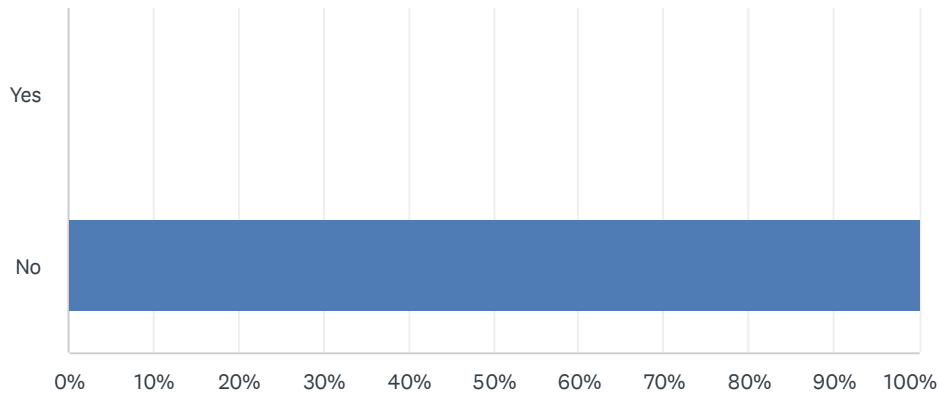
Q6 What forms of training could both benefit candidates and generate more community confidence in the people who are standing for election?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Many more information sessions, Q&A's with candidates, Q&A's with existing Councillors - similar training sessions to the mandatory sessions especially around behaviours.	3/6/2024 9:56 AM
2	Roles and responsibilities and the three tiers of Australian government	3/5/2024 2:27 PM
3	ICAC training	3/4/2024 12:36 PM

Q7 Should councils have a role in the nomination process? CoA Comment: No

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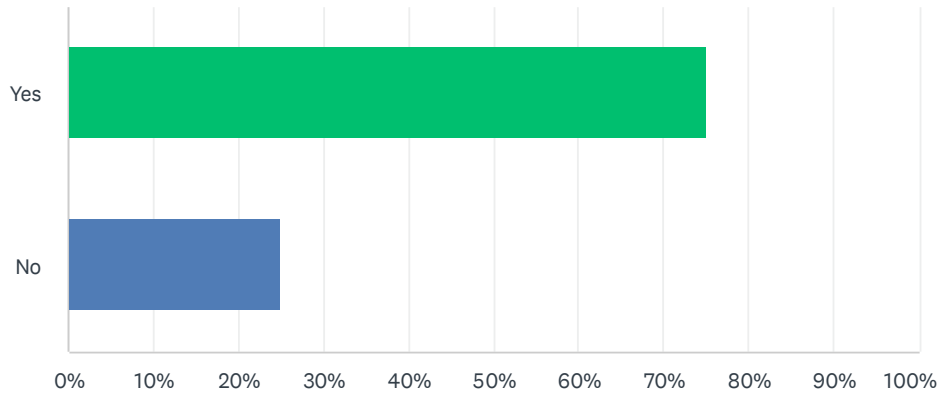


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Yes	0.00%	0
No	100.00%	3
TOTAL		3

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	Definitely not as this would encourage factions.	3/6/2024 9:56 AM
2	How does a body directed by an elected body ... often driven by party politics ... have an objective role in a key part of a democratic process?	3/4/2024 12:36 PM

Q8 If ECSA continues to receive nominations directly, should there be arequirement for nominations to be published throughout the nomination process, not just at the end? If so, how should these be published?
 CoA Comment: ECSA should publish on their website daily. Extra resources should be assigned to ECSA for this purpose.

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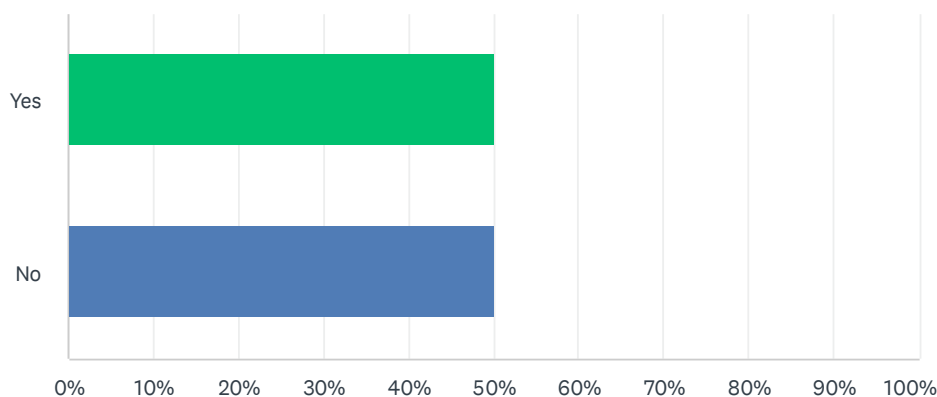
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Yes	75.00% 3
No	25.00% 1
TOTAL	4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	The more transparency in the processs the better and if people see other people they know nominate it may actually encourage them.	3/6/2024 9:56 AM
2	This could be manipulated by candidates.	3/5/2024 2:27 PM

Q9 Should councils continue to have wards? If so, why? And if not, what would be the benefits of removing them? Should wards only be kept in councils where the council's size warrants their retention?CoA

Comment:It should be up to the Community to decide how they want to be represented and what (if any) ward structure they think is appropriate.

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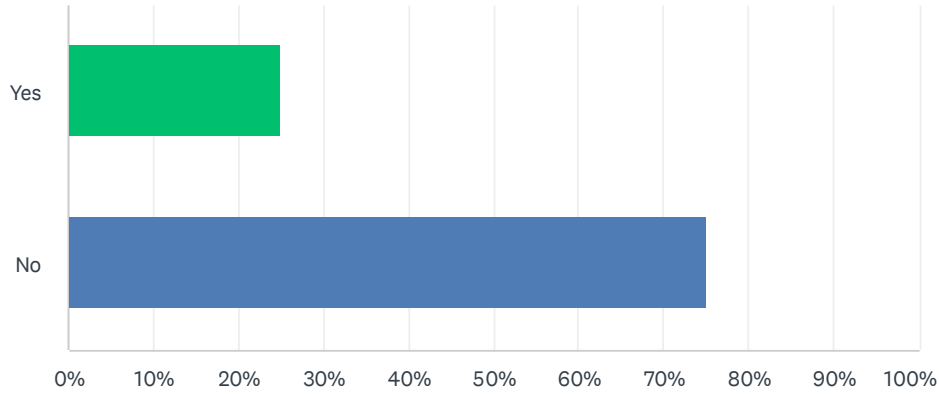


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Yes	50.00% 1
No	50.00% 1
TOTAL	2

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	I'm very much an anti-ward person. Simply because Councillors have to vote on the entire LG area they are elected to and not just their Ward. There may be an argument if the Council if it is a Council over a large geographical area.	3/6/2024 9:56 AM
2	If compulsory voting then wards should continue but if voluntary voting then the electorate is too small to get quality candidates. I like the local connection and knowledge.	3/5/2024 2:27 PM
3	The principle is already established and vital for the proper functioning of LGAs - especially in regional areas. Why should City residents not have the advantage of country residents?	3/4/2024 12:36 PM
4	I think removing wards would be beneficial to the CoA as we're such a geographically small council	2/26/2024 12:31 PM

Q10 Should potential boundary changes be referred to the South Australian Boundaries Commission when a council receives significantly fewer nominations than it has vacancies? CoA Comment: No. There are several reasons why Councils do not receive enough nominations.

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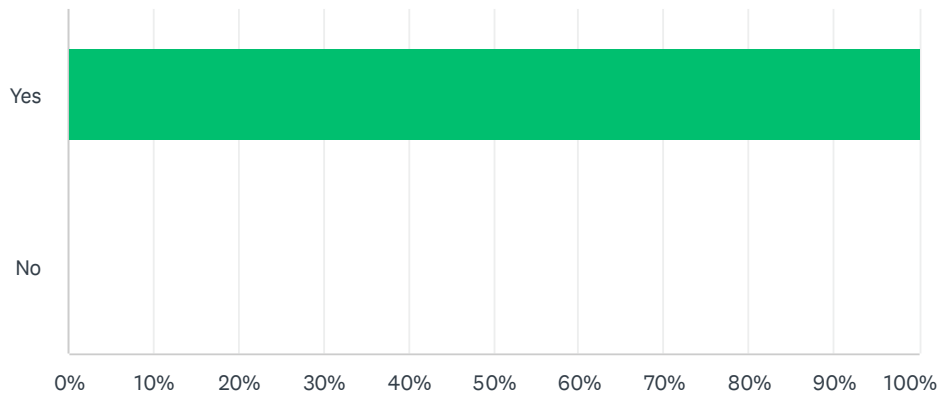


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	25.00% 1
No	75.00% 3
TOTAL	4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	If this happens it is probably another problem than boundaries.	3/5/2024 2:27 PM

Q11 What are other factors that might encourage—or dissuade—people to stand for election to their councils?
CoA Comment: Perception of a high-pressure culture for Council Members
 Adversarial nature of debate
 Public scrutiny
 Time commitment required
 Not knowing that training and support are provided for members to do their role
 Understanding of local government
 Lack of support for the campaign

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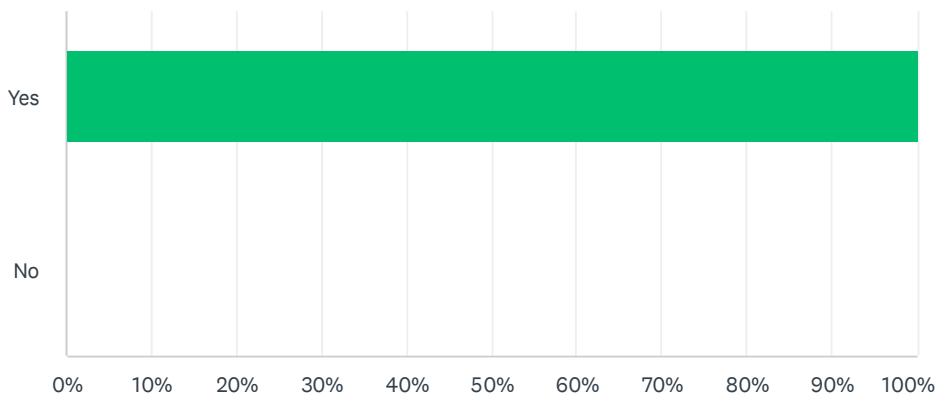


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Yes	100.00% 4
No	0.00% 0
TOTAL	4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	All of the above including financial and family commitments I could not be an Elected Member if I had a full-time role and kids and especially if I was a single parent. It is so much more than just having baby-sitters available.	3/6/2024 9:56 AM
2	Also the itical nature of some of the behaviour and the use of local government as a personal career move or stepping stone. Rigidity in meeting procedure and rules about caucuses. Being an individual is very hard and scary. We need the chance to discuss things before we are in the spot light	3/5/2024 2:27 PM
3	The absence of administrative support which has diminished to a point where it is but a fraction of what was available The increasing participation of political parties that resource candidates and elected members to the disadvantage of people who are independent The onerous provisions of behavioral code complaints	3/4/2024 12:36 PM

Q12 What ideas do you have to increase nominations?CoA
Comment:Link to promotion – understanding of the role, making known the support available Pre-mentor program started well before the election cycle Mid-term programs promoting the role of the Council Member

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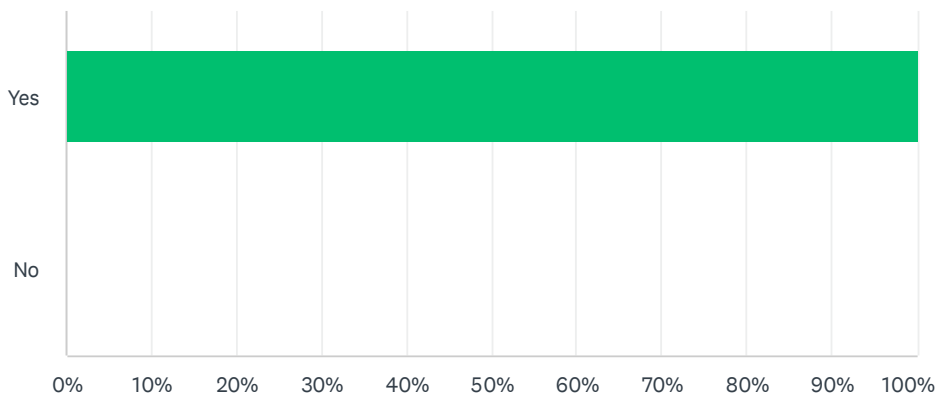


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No	0.00% 0
TOTAL	4

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1	I've emphasized the importance of additional sessions with both current Councillors and Administration beyond just during election periods. Ideally, initiating these sessions a year in advance would be my preference. Furthermore, we must address the issue of encouraging more women to nominate for these roles. I've encountered instances where younger women withdrew their nominations upon realizing the significant time and commitment demanded by the position. Balancing these responsibilities with personal and professional commitments can seem insurmountable, especially considering that women still predominantly assume the role of primary caregivers for their families, including children and elderly parents.	3/6/2024 9:56 AM
2	Fix what's wrong with perceptions about the downsides too	3/4/2024 12:36 PM

Q1 Is there any particular reason why councils do not warrant compulsory voting when the two other spheres of Australian governments do? Should voting for councils be compulsory in South Australian council elections?
CoA Comment: Compulsory voting should be introduced for the House of Assembly Roll in line with other jurisdictions across Australia

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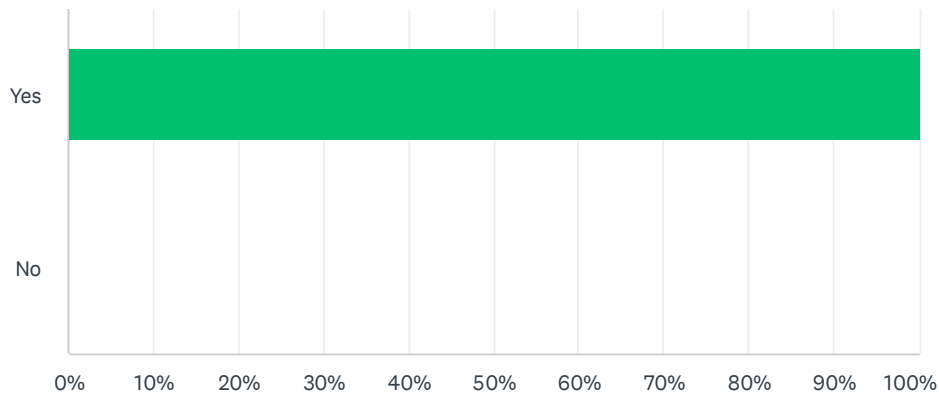
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No	0.00% 0
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#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	By LG elections not being mandatory makes it look like that this level of government is less important than State and Federal LG is essential for the 'health' of a community -I would like to see the other two levels of government take-over - rates, rubbish and roads and all the other community services!?	3/6/2024 10:16 AM

Q2 How should people vote for their councils?CoA

Comment:PostalPostal voting is a very convenient method for the community.It is noted there were numerous complaints during the last election with residents not receiving voting material or receiving incorrect voting material.Delays by Australia Post meant some voting material wasn't reissued.If postal voting is to be continued - the Council should be able to reissue in the last week of the voting periodIn PersonIf compulsory voting was introduced, voting in person could be introduced. If compulsory voting is not introduced, voter participation will likely decrease

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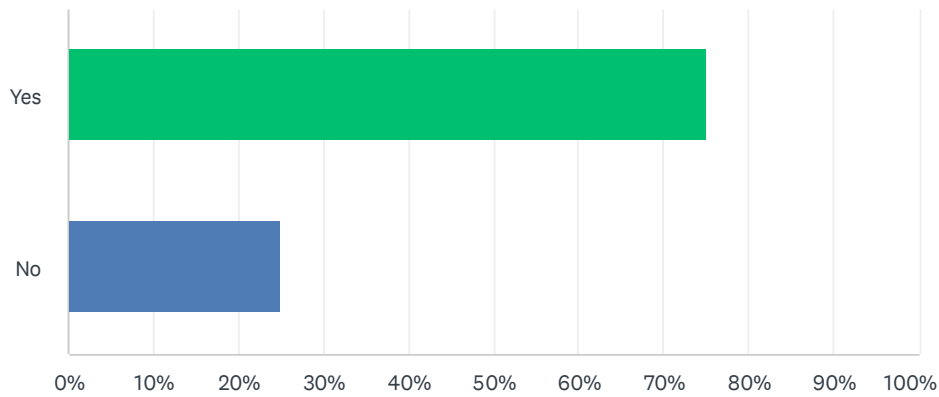
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Yes	100.00%	3
No	0.00%	0
TOTAL		3

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	Voting should reflect how we operate in other areas of our lives - so both postal and electronic should be an option- especially if not mandated.	3/6/2024 10:16 AM
2	Strongly support in person voting	3/5/2024 4:05 PM
3	Compulsory, in person voting will lead to a highly politicised lga environment where the candidates will be in training for higher political office. In the City of Adelaide, it would also be difficult to overcome the particular problems with allowing votes associated with a supplementary roll for non resident property owners. Leave it voluntary, with ... as with State and Federal ... the possibility of postal votes and in person votes to assist in minimizing electoral vote rigging.	3/4/2024 12:47 PM
4	I support compulsory (for HoA roll voters) with in person elections. (Postal remain for those that require it, similar to state and federal elections).	2/26/2024 12:26 PM

Q3 Should the franchise for council elections be changed in any way?

CoA Comment: Form One The requirements for non-citizens should be tightened to ensure that there is a reasonable interest in the outcome of the election, and, if a candidate, that the candidate will be able to fulfil their term of office. It is suggested that they:- Be a permanent resident or have the right to work. - Provide proof of identity, status and residence when completing the forms. This process should be managed by ECSA with consideration given to language barriers.

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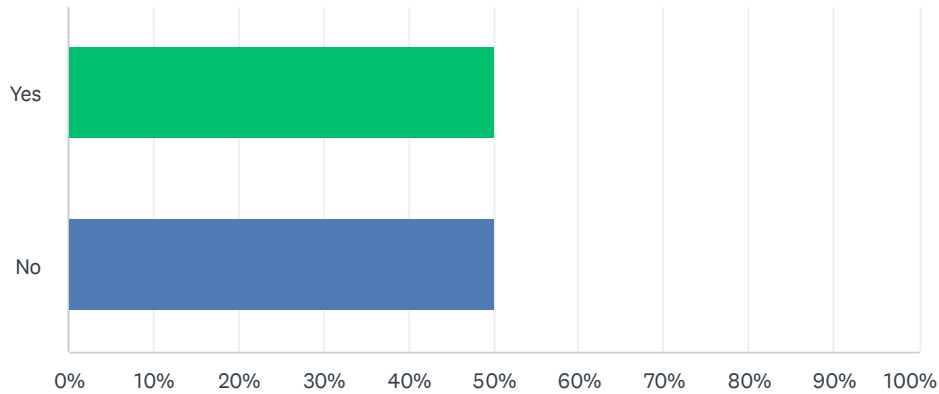


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No	25.00% 1
TOTAL	4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	A person should NOT be able to vote or nominate unless they have been a resident of the area for a least 1 year.	3/6/2024 10:16 AM
2	Absolutely	3/4/2024 12:47 PM
3	Citizens and permanent residents.	2/26/2024 12:26 PM

Q4 Should council elections be moved to a different year from South Australian Government elections? CoA Comment: Running the state and local government elections in the same year puts increased strain on ECSA's finite resources. A move to a different year may increase the local government elections profile.

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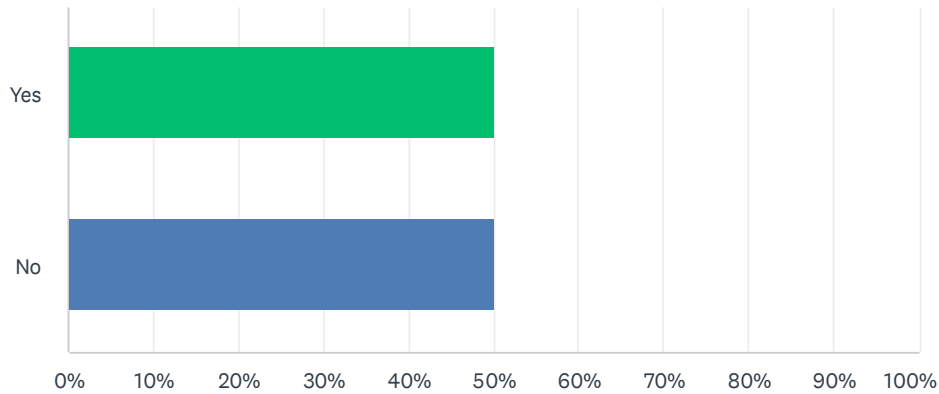


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No	50.00% 2
TOTAL	4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	Support the same year	3/5/2024 4:05 PM
2	Year after State elections.	3/4/2024 12:47 PM
3	A number of unsuccessful candidates from the state election might want to run in their local council area. The current timeline provides an adequate 7-8 month gap between the two elections.	2/26/2024 12:26 PM

Q5 Should councils have a stronger role in promoting elections locally to increase voter turnout? CoA Comment: Councils already play a large role in local promotion. Better coordination between ECSA and LGA campaigns and collateral would be beneficial.

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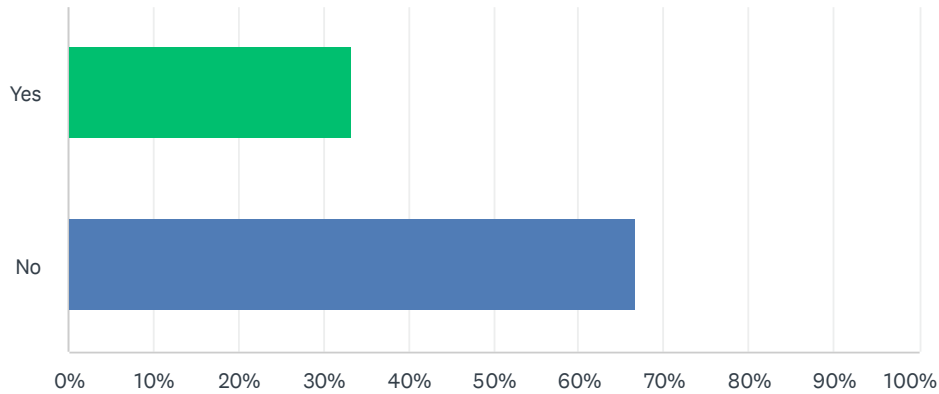


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No	50.00% 2
TOTAL	4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	A more collaborative process between the LGASA, ECSA and the LG area should occur and not just at the 11th hour.	3/6/2024 10:16 AM
2	Compulsory voting for HoA roll would significantly increase turnout.	2/26/2024 12:26 PM

Q6 Would removing wards provide voters with greater choice, and produce fairer results? CoA Comment: In the City of Adelaide, it could decrease voter turnout, some voters currently vote in a number of wards (as they may live in one ward and own businesses in other wards). The decision to remove wards should be up to that Community (as above).

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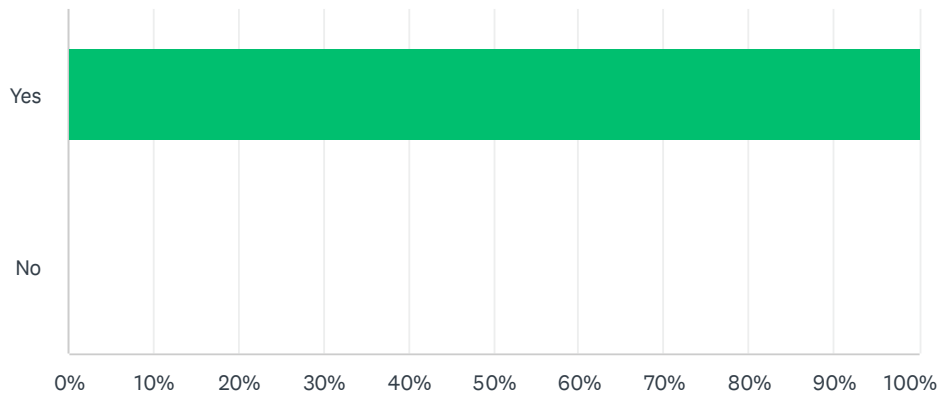


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
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No	66.67% 2
TOTAL	3

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	As stated previously I do not support Wards as the EM is making decisions on the entire LG area they represent NOT just their Ward.	3/6/2024 10:16 AM
2	Support removal of wards	3/5/2024 4:05 PM
3	If it isn't broken don't fix it	3/4/2024 12:47 PM
4	Remove wards	2/26/2024 12:26 PM

Q7 Is it fair for someone who has ‘served their time’ to have to release this information? COA Comment: Candidates should meet minimum eligibility requirement (similar to ASX director requirements, working with children check). That a candidate meets the minimum eligibility requirements to nominate is what the community should be informed of, not personal details.

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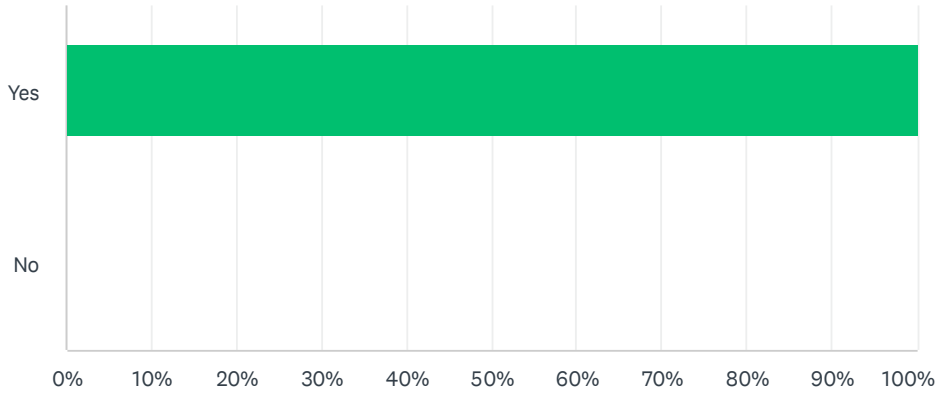


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No	0.00% 0
TOTAL	3

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	For all the reasons why other Boards do this not just ASX directors. People who are nominating should be required to have a DIN.	3/6/2024 10:16 AM
2	No opinion	2/26/2024 12:26 PM

Q8 What information should candidates be required to include with their nominations? CoA Comment: Political affiliations Live in the council area (and what ward) A Declaration form (similar to register of interest) which has the same public information as serving Council Members have

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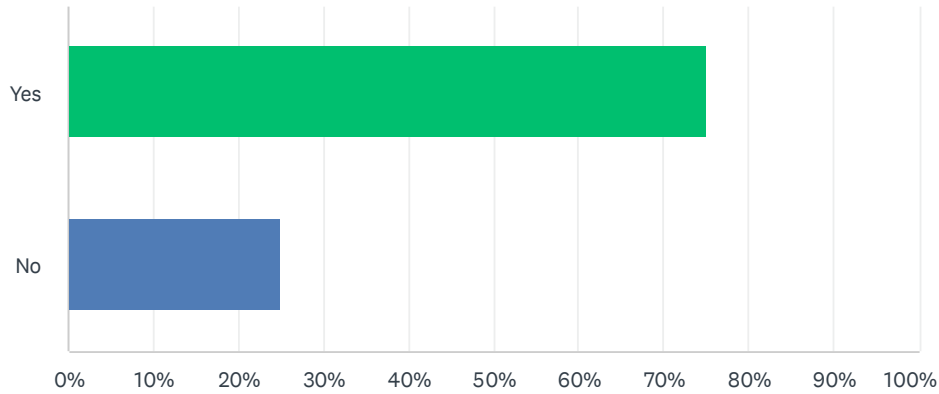


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No	0.00%	0
TOTAL		4

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1	I think it is critical that an Elected Member lives and or works in the area. The issue to address is people who 'just move in' so they can nominate and then 'move out' when people aren't noticing. Also if a person decides to run for State or Federal government they should be forced to resign from Council. It would be very clear at that time what political party they are supporting and this would most likely influence their decision making and LG EM's should be 'A political'.	3/6/2024 10:16 AM
2	Political affiliations in the past five years ... not just a year. Also residential address for the past two years must be declared as part of one's candidacy and there should be a constant requirement to update residential address where the address changes to one outside of the lga represented. There have been shocking instances of candidates moving to an lga 8 weeks before an election and then out of the same lg a to one they do not represent only weeks after an election. Such practices serve to destroy voter confidence in our system of government.	3/4/2024 12:47 PM

Q9 Is there a role for councils to play in enabling all candidates to reach potential voters? CoA Comment: It is a decision for each Council if they would like to run information sessions such as candidate nights etc.

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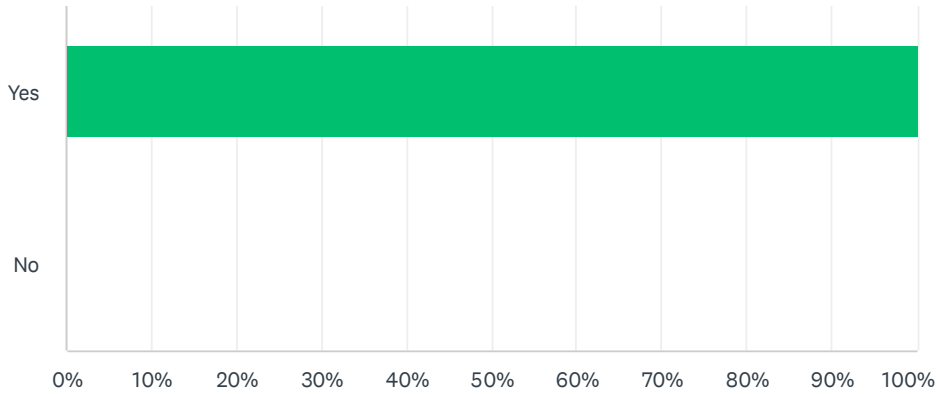


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No	25.00% 1
TOTAL	4

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	However this must be executed fairly.	3/6/2024 10:16 AM
2	Some candidates work a lot harder than others to reach potential voters. It's not the councils job to prop up ineffective candidates.	2/26/2024 12:26 PM

Q10 What are other factors that might encourage—or dissuade—people to stand for election to their councils?
CoA Comment: Perception of a high-pressure culture for Council Members
 Adversarial nature of debate
 Public scrutiny
 Time commitment required
 Not knowing that training and support is provided for members to do their role
 Understanding of local government
 Lack of support to campaign

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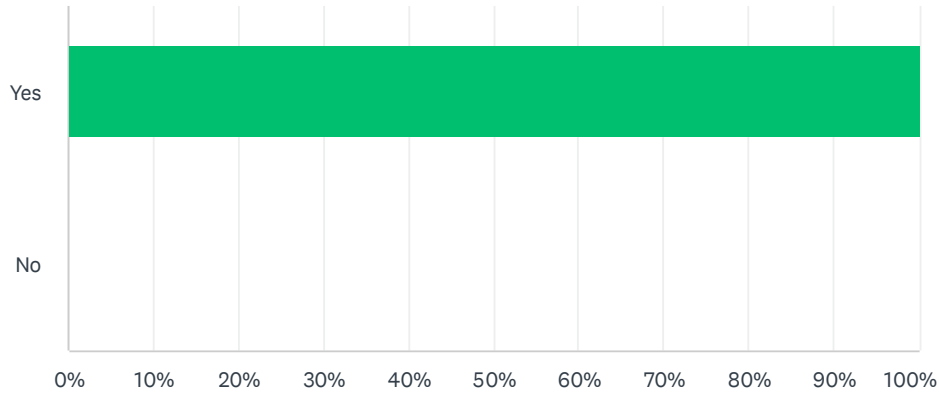
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No	0.00% 0
TOTAL	1

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	Time, money and family commitments etc. as mentioned previously.	3/6/2024 10:16 AM
2	previously answered	3/4/2024 12:47 PM

Q1 All residential enrolments to be managed by AEC?CoA

Comment:Currently individual councils manage Form 1 enrolment applications for residential individuals who do not currently qualify for entry on to the House of Assembly roll.An improvement would be for all residential enrolments regardless of the individual’s status (citizen or not) be managed by the ECSA and included on the House of Assembly roll.

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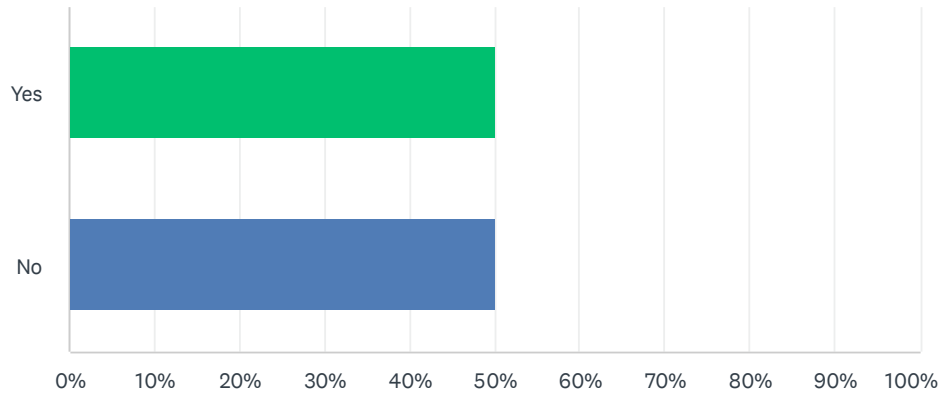
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Yes	100.00% 2
No	0.00% 0
TOTAL	2

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	Consistency	3/6/2024 10:27 AM

Q2 Statute Amendments are significantly problematic?CoA

Comment:The changes imposed on CoA under the recent Statute Amendments:Impose obligations on Council staff which are very labour-intensive and costly, to be performed within very limited timeframes on top of current election activities and existing timeframes.Additional FTE/s required as:- new template correspondence will need to be drafted and sent to all bodies corporate and groups on the voter's roll; - dealing with nominations received from bodies corporate and groups will require data entry, and will also require checking whether the nominated person already appears on the voters roll or is entitled to be enrolled on the voter's roll (in which case they are not eligible persons); - the process for nominating 'default persons' for bodies corporate (and groups which include bodies corporate) which do not nominate their own eligible person relies upon data held in ASIC's database and therefore might not be possible to automate to any great extent; - the process for nominating 'default persons' also requires checking whether the potential default person already appears on the voters roll or is entitled to be enrolled on the voters' roll; - redactions will need to be made to the version of voters roll available for inspection by the public; (In practice would be problematic)- all of the above must occur within strict timeframes; and There are a significant number of bodies corporate and groups on the Council's voters roll compared to other councils, and the above steps must be applied for all of those bodies corporate and groups. These obligations are in addition to the Council and the CEO's existing obligations which are already complex and challenging and may well require changes to the current system in place that produce the voter's roll.CoA nominating a default nominee may disenfranchise a number of bodies corporate and groups solely on the irrational basis of what letter people's surnames begin with; andIn some cases, invest the Council's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) with the unusual power to 'choosing'; who can vote.No similar amendments are being made with respect to any other Council.In relation to achieving the above obligations, Council believes the costs associated with additional FTE requirements, postage and potential changes to systems would be well in excess of \$100,000.

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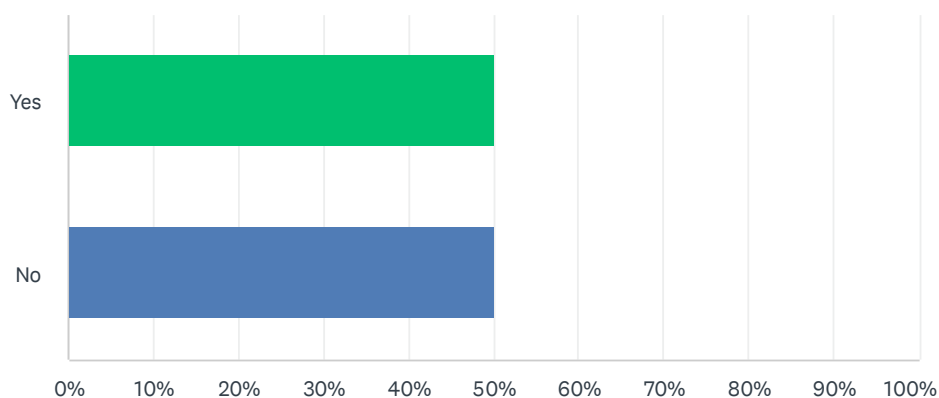


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No	50.00%	1
TOTAL		2

#	OTHER (COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF YOUR ANSWER)	DATE
1	...and I think it would be well worth the investment as the 'fish rots from the head' and 4 years can be a long time. So having more resources to assist can only be a good thing - maybe it could be on a 'fixed term' contract.	3/6/2024 10:27 AM
2	Turn as much of the process for elections over to ECSA. Council administrations should not be tasked with any role that puts them at odds with elected members, potential elected members, enrolled voters or potential enrolled voters. The process must be seen to be completely independent in order for electors to have confidence in the system.	3/4/2024 12:50 PM

Q3 Suggested change to existing voting eligibility for Head Lease holder? CoA Comment: Currently a holder of a headlease who is not in occupation of the land (i.e. a head lessee who has wholly sub-let property to another) is considered an 'owner' under the Local Government Act 1999. When this situation occurs, under the Act neither party is eligible to be enrolled to vote in their own right. Instead, they must be enrolled as a group of owners. An unattended consequence is that each unique owner and head lessee combination would constitute a unique voter's group. In relation to the above, there are significant practical issues in that Council is expected to somehow know of and record the details of all owners, including people who hold leases but do not occupy the land. While the Council learns of changes to ownership through the LTO, there is no practical way to learn of changes to commercial leasing arrangements. The Council's system can record the property owner and the occupier but is not able to accurately record and capture head lessees and reflect the correct voting entitlement. Further, it is unlikely that property owners and headlease holders would be aware they are only entitled to a group voting entitlement

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	50.00% 1
No	50.00% 1
TOTAL	2

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1	This is a very complicated topic as I deal with the LTO on a daily basis. I think this needs to be reviewed it is own right and at the moment there is probably no real 'yes' and 'no' answer however more 'maybe'	3/6/2024 10:27 AM