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Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2024 8:36 AM  
To: SouthInfo <SouthInfo@islandstrust.bc.ca>  
Subject: Regarding bylaw "122"

Dear Trustees Kristina Evans and Dag Falk.

As we all recall, your first motion as trustees was to rescind bylaw 122. Even though your campaigns promised transparency, I frankly don't think that was the best starting point for a community consultation on the topics of house size and setbacks. Your challenge now is to actually listen to the opinions expressed by the community and clearly and carefully explain how your decisions are made based, not only on the opinions of residents, but also on the Official Community Plan and the intent of the Islands trust.

I probably do not need to remind you that the majority of letters written by residents on the topic are in favour of retaining the current bylaw as is. I would also like to remind you that the majority of the members of the APC do not represent this view, and, in my opinion, have gone to great lengths to distort the facts about the legal-non-confirming non-issue. These members of the APC have shown that they do not base their recommendations on facts but choose to base their decisions on emotional opinion and disregard legal opinions stating that there are no buildings that are deemed legal non-conforming when it comes to size. Their recommendations must therefore be taken for what they are, emotional opinions and not fact based recommendations.

I among others cherish the rural character, our sensitive ecosystems, amazing island lifestyle and fully embrace the intentions of OCP and Island Trust.

Even though we might not agree about everything, I do appreciate you taking on the trustee job, and wish you a happy holiday.

Sincerely,  
Christian Engelstoft