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The two surveys we received on housing and the Trust are very poorly executed, hard to access and there are no worthwhile questions or measurement of how the islanders would rate the Trusts performance on important issues. For example: How would residents of the archipelago evaluate the Trusts most primary function to “preserve and protect” the islands.

When surveyed Islanders felt that the preservation of nature and the environment was the most important issue for the Trusts concern(2016 and 2019). However, there appears to be a lack of attention being given by the Trust to this function. The destruction of the islands through profit making businesses, companies and developers is a very real and increasing problem that needs their focus in order to prevent the total annihilation of the islands fragile eco systems.

The housing survey questions are misleading and ridiculous! These questions already contain information that the survey creator wants to confirm rather than to try to get a true and an unbiased answer to the question.

Instead, should we not be asking the really important questions like: do Islanders want to add more densities to the islands; do Islanders want to continue destroying natural forests, trees and green spaces to increase housing of any sort; do Islanders want to cease or freeze all developments now and in the future to protect the ecosystem; does the language of the Islands Trust need to be strengthened to protect the islands from developers and the mandate refocused. Finally, does the Islands Trust still have the confidence of Islanders to protect the islands and do they have the powers that they need to do this

Please scrap both surveys as they are useless.

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