Islands 2050 Thought Exchange responses		
What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
I value the moderate climate and low pollution. Humans need a healthy place to live.	4.4	1
I value the beautiful natural environment. The land offers us, and the other creatures and plants that live here, a refuge of calm in an		
increasingly hectic world. I grew up in this region.	4.3	2
The natural environment Connects the residents with the source of their health and welfare	4.3	3
The natural beauty of the islands The peace and quiet of the islands	4.3	4
It's beautiful Because it's why I love to live here	4.2	5
I value the opportunity to enjoy relatively wild nature close to home. This feeds my spirit and gives me happiness and well-being.	4.2	6
biodiversity: the trees, ocean, air and nature in general it's important to being a healthy human being	4.2	7
Unique ecosystem. Beautiful, natural, old trees, intact forest, agriculture and conservation minded. Wild areas become increasingly		
important as urbanization sprawls out and eats up valuable lands, forests and habitat.	4.2	8
I value the desire to keep these islands in their natural state. My great grandchildren will get to see the beauty. This is the concept of		
preserving for seven generations.	4.2	9
This group of islands from Saturna (and including the US northern Gulf Islands) to Denman/Hornby is a unique ecosystem of flora, fauna, and fresh and salt water inhabitants. Its geology, climate and variety of ecosystems and its aboriginal history is unique.	4.2	10
It's one of the world's most beautiful places to live in, clean, serene, peaceful, respectful. Because this is where I and my family lives, because		
it can serve as a showcase of what is possible.	4.2	11
natural, quiet	4.2	12
I value the sense of freedom I get from island life. It's important to push back against being too over regulated. Encourage alternative		
building styles and ancient techniques like straw bale etc.	4.2	13
I value the moments of peace and quiet. It's important to me because those moments are rare in Vancouver.	4.2	14
nature!!!; diverse, caring, artistic, cooperative community, with shared values; remoteness; quiet Natural places are essential for human		
sanity & health, and for living beings and ecosystems. Communities provide alternatives to "business as usual"	4.2	15

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It feels rural The quiet, clean air, minimal light pollution.	4.1	16
Beautiful landscapes	4.1	17
It's beautiful and natural We need to protect places for wildlife to exist and thrive	4.1	18
I value being near water and wooded areas; love the surrounding beauty and peacefulness this affords. Beauty influences how people think about home. People in beautiful places tend to love where they live & feel strongly about caring for it. They are then more likely to be active		
in its protection	4.1	19
protects natural areas on islands and controls development	4.1	20
I value the people here, the slower way of life, the culture of cooperation, the old-fashioned neighbourly help that we give and receive. Everyone, including people who like quite and isolation, likes and needs to be part of a thriving, healthy culture. The beauty and rural aspects of the islands located in the Salish Sea. The unique character of these islands can be preserved, provided sustainable policies and plans are developed and implemented.	4.1 4.1	
The Islands Trust area is a healthier environment than most. Healthy environments facilitate healthier humans and resilient societies.	4.1	23
The farmers The local produce, farmers market, and love and support by the community for our local producers is amazing.	4.1	24
Environmental protection and engagement Small community life	4.1	25
rural and good lifestyle	4.1	26
Fragile, beautiful ecosystems Unique, globally important, beautiful	4.1	27
The quiet, rural, community character. A healthy, safe, place of residence.	4.1	28
Low population density We left Victoria because the growing number of residents lead sto more traffic, more noise, more crime, increased danger for cyclists, etc,	4.1	29
Nature It's beautiful and it nurtures the body and the mind	4.1	30
Peace and quiet Supports my values	4.1	31
The solitude - with chirpy birds, haunting eagle cries, knocking woodpeckers, grazing deer (this is my trail), slithery otters, and cwacking herons Most humans live in urban environments which destroy nature. Very important to preserve these links to our origins	4.1	32

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We moved to the islands two years ago because we wanted to buy a house where our two young daughters could go outside and play		
around. We couldn't do that in the city. We love the variety of ages who support each other on the island and the community events our		
children can participate in.	4.1	33
the "Island way" which means -to me- simple, people-oriented solutions, neighbours helping neighbours; trust that it is safe to leave doors		
unlocked, for children to walk to school unaccompanied,	4.1	34
I value the natural environment, healthy air and water, and the small close-knit community It's important for everyone to have access to		
green space, and have community supports around them.	4.1	35
No streetlights For the first time in years, we can see the Milky Way at night from the front yard. Sometimes we stay out for hours, just		
looking up at the stars.	4.1	36
landscape, peace and quiet, small community, 20 years on the island	4.1	37
The rural lifestyle and living in / close to nature It's healthier, quiet - away from the crowded too busy world of cities. I deeply appreciate		
being away from noise and light pollution.	4.1	38
Access to nature To view wildlife, trees and nature bodies	4	39
The beautiful green trees Aesthetics and biodiversity	4	40
Biodiversity Healthy environment	4	41
Preserving some area of the coast for future generations For our kids	4	42
Unaltered coastline; marine ecosystem Connection to nature; vanishing and globally unique	4	43
Beautiful spaces Inspirational	4	44
Nature Everything is nature	4	45
Environmental Protection It's a crucial contribution to a world constantly under threat of over exploitation	4	46
That they protect land from large commercial development and chain stores I think the island should be kept rural and the nature protected	4	47
The undeveloped wild land	4	48
natural beauty I am inspired and moved by beauty	4	49
community is a critical part of our life here we have to work together to protect what we have	4	50

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Urban places lacking nature connection make it harder for children to thrive: faces buried in phonescreens are eyes & ears NOT aware of		
birds & trees. Island kids seem to me more grounded & connected because of the unique environment we have here, whose protection		
becomes ever more difficult.	4	51
I value the Islands Trust Area's smaller proortion of built-up, developed areas compared to land and ecosystems that are left undisturbed. Natural landscapes and healthy oceans, are the foundation of all life on Earth and should be the primary value that drives all land-use policy.	4	52
the marine environment our oceans provide food, absorb carbon and heat	4	53
Heritage Legacy If we lose these islands there is no recovery. Sound long term vision happens now and only in the now	4	54
Nature (land, plants, animals, rocks, sun, WATER, AIR) Without these foundations, we could not LIVE.	4	55
That nature is given a priority in land-use decision-making. The world is in a mess because of the way nature (and humans are a part of		
nature) has been abused thanks to our economic systems.	4	56
Ecologically important area, the Georgia basin containing unique plants and animals that need to be protected. I value the rural lifestyle		
with opportunities to limit unchecked development.	4	57
I value the extent to which so many community members share their knowledge and expertise by participating in community organizations. That is important everywhere but it seems a defining principle of life here!	Δ	58
Abundant ecosystems Supports a diversity of life and nourishes the soul	4	59
As a young person, I really enjoy the slow down nature of our community. I really enjoy the lifestyle and hope to be able to continue living		33
here.	4	60
Beautiful Views Nourishes the soul	4	61
I love the peace and beauty of the Gulf Islands. I like not living in the urban "rat race." I love the slow pace here, and the lack of expectations.		
Whereas I think I would find living in a city soul-destroying right now, living on a Gulf Island feeds my soul.	4	62
Its beautiful natural landscapes, its rural character, and its relatively clean environment the above values are important to me and my family,		
but they are also linked to sustainability of the islands and its natural ecosystems	4	63
Nature. Specifically along the shoreline.	4	64
Raw nature Good for the soul	4	65
So many areas left natural covered in trees Creates a rural, natural setting	4	66

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Wildness of area a good percentage is protected	4	67
Community Island communities are small, rural, and resilient. It is the residents that ultimately protect and steward the islands' ecosystems. Environment, community, lifestyle Escape from city life, where everything is anonymous	4	68 69
I have been protecting the Islands since the early 60's through the development of marine parks and underwater National marine parks	+	03
Heritage program. Visitors were destroying marine life and well visited locations were being devastated. We implemented best practices		
that are in use today.	4	70
Open spaces /nature/flora and fauna Highly valued	4	71
Pristine environment One of the few places left where nature remains relatively in disturbed	4	72
Peace, quiet, natural. These I.T. attributes are more important than what can happen in a city.	4	73
Privacy, the quiet, the beauty, friends and family Getting away from the city and technology	4	74
That we understand the value of undeveloped spaces. We need to protect the ecosystems and species within these places	4	75
The scenic beauty was what 1st attracted me, and that continues. I also enjoy the rural aspects, contrasted with the city. To have such natural beauty so close to metropolitan areas is a gift.	4	76
I've lived in the gulf islands for over 40 years, I value a variety of things. I value the protected area we have on our island, which is 22%! We need a rich, bio-diverse island in order for the variety of plants, animals, and everything else in between to survive, along with us.	4	77
The natural beauty, tranquility, and relative personal and artistic freedom of the islands is invaluable. While you can't escape pain-in-the-neck busybodies anywhere, it's awfully nice to be able to al least hide from them behind trees!	4	78
The island character We moved here four years ago because we wanted to be a part of a community, live among nature, and being surrounded by water.	4	79
The natural environment unspoiled by commercial enterprises. It is a scenic respite from the chaos of the "cities".	4	80
When my grandchildren visit they are free to run and play without being constantly supervised. I like personal freedom.	4	81
Natural ecosystem that has changing weather and views Not over developed with respect for ecosystem	4	82
Sustainable living. Using less energy, less resources, and utilizing off grid techniques to do so. We are living beyond our means in general. With incentives and alternative building techniques, we can reduce the cost to ourselves and the planet.	4	83
I value the islands as a clean, peaceful place with reasonable access from urban areas.	4	84

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such incredible quiet nature so close to a large city In a beautiful Howe Sound with abundant wildlife	4	85
Many "low tech" recreational opportunities in nature. Time spent in nature is healing and spiritually uplifting.	4	86
the pristine beauty; connection to nature	4	87
Peace, natural beauty and wildlife. I love all those things as I am sure many people do.	4	88
The rural character. It's important to get out of the hussle and bustle of urban living.	4	89
Living a simpler, more environmentally ethical life than I felt was possible in a large city. I care deeply about what is happening to this		
planet. Here, I feel that our daily decisions make a visible difference.	4	90
its our home and has been for a lifetime we are attempting to live off grid in a loving way with the and	4	91
I value the unique ecosystem of the area. It is important because it is part of the greater whole of the region. It needs to be preserved and		
protected.	4	92
To live in a peaceful community with beaches and nature tranquility.	4	93
The outstanding natural beauty and gentile climate of the Salish Sea islands. Unique in Canada and rare worldwide this region is my chosen		
home after the experience of living in 7 beautiful Provinces and Territories.	4	94
preservation of the natural environment retaining natural environment as more important than development	3.9	95
slower life style it reconnects us to what is most important whatever that is because we are not too busy chasing our tails Access to nature Quieter	3.9 3.9	96 97
Recreation opportunities in beautiful natural setting both on land and on water	3.9	98
Rural and maritime nature Lifestyle	3.9	99
Trees and the island people Safe and beautiful	3.9	100
I love the peaceful nights with no traffic noise It is wonderful to get away from the city to peace and quiet	3.9	101
The second secon	3.3	101
Islands Choosing to remain true islands enables the ability to retain environmental protection and a more genuinely good lifestyle	3.9	102
Love living on an island	3.9	103
The low crime rate I feel very safe	3.9	104
The preservation of forests, especially on the tops of the hills and mountains protects the watershed and protects us from droughts and		
water shortage Climate change puts us all at risk on these islands for the loss of water.	3.9	105

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quiet lifestyle	3.9	106
A thriving, healthy culture depends on access to wild places where people, especially children, can connect with play, learn to observe and		
feel joy. All humans have innate gifts they want to contribute. Children need to belong, talents get noticed & nurtured, so they can be part of		
COMMUNITY.	3.9	107
I grew up on Vancouver Island, worked on ocean going ships and moved to SSI 40 years ago. I have seen the damage done to unprotected natural areas, The forests for carbon sequestration, local and migrating bird, animal and insects, the wetland ecosystems and much more		
have to be protected.	3.9	108
There needs to be an ongoing focus on transparency and communication. This is important for community understanding and engagement.	3.9	109
Because of having effectively slowed down development, the Islands Trust area has preserved and protected fragile ecosystems to a greater		
degree. Stronger ecosystems will mitigate climate change.	3.9	110
Being part of the Islands Trust is a gift which allows us to do what the whole world will eventually realize it needs to do. Preserve and Protect above all else.	3.9	111
Biodiversity. Non commercialism. Community. Cleanliness. Slow and in tune.	3.9	
Ecosystems protection It's important for legacy to take great care w these islands, we can't turn them into Langford	3.9	
I appreciate that our island is protected from rampant development as I see in the rest of the world. I value nature above all. Nature needs	3.3	113
to be respected and left undisturbed as much as possible.	3.9	114
Volunteerism The passion and energy of members of this community blows me away. I love the diversity of people, and how people of all		
ages mix and engage seamlessl	3.9	115
I enjoy living on an island in the Trust Area for the quiet, natural environments, parkland and protected areas. It's important to me because I		
love living here and don't want to be anywhere else.	3.9	116
Self Sufficient Community in nature. Resilience and people caring allow for the best lived life possible.	3.9	
community the ability to grow up and live in a community that is unique, caring, and supportive.	3.9	118
Development is mostly simple and appropriately sized no huge buildings that don't fit the landscape Respects the area and it		
neighbourhoods	3.9	119
Forests, shorelines, farmland, ocean.	3.9	120

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I value the creativity of the people who live here. It takes a certain amount of independent cussedness to live away from all those urban		
"amenities".	3.9	121
I value the strong sense of community, collective goodwill and progressive ideas. I believe it is increasingly rare to live in small community		
where people care deeply for one another and the land.	3.9	122
NO CONDOMINIUMS and NO DESTINATION RESORTS (yet) on my island. Let's hope IT policies keep limiting hotels, motels, marinas, cruise-		
ship ports and other major tourism infrastructure.	3.9	123
Need long-term water protection	3.9	124
Peace and tranquility Opportunity to reflect on life	3.9	125
The forests development of our environment is rampant and unchecked throughout most of the world	3.9	126
The natural flora and fauna I appreciate wildlife viewing opportunities found in day to day life here.	3.9	127
The protected areas that are kept as Nature Protection, allowing for low impact trail access I think providing residents and visitors the		
opportunity to commune with nature is our greatest offering.	3.9	128
These islands are sacred, peaceful, and perfectly preserved. We have a variety of friendly people who support each other. We know who one		
other are. It's important to feel connected with where one lives and who the people around them are.	3.9	129
biodiversity the biodiversity that the Trust area protects is essential to the continuance of the coastal douglas and western hemlock		
biogeoclimatic ecosystems	3.9	130
Everyone is connected to the land small and quiet	3.9	131
Island living is a unique lifestyle It demands self reliance and the building of community in the absence of urban distractions	3.9	132
Need to restrict lot coverage. Need to restrict house sizes to 6,000 sq ft. need to prevent large unnecessarily over-sized houses in		
conspicuous places on the waterfront.	3.9	
Pristine environment Good for healthy lifestyle	3.9	134
Public beaches, trails, and parks Able to easily access natural settings	3.9	135
Sense of community All ages welcome	3.9	136
Small stores, not big box stores	3.9	137
The natural beauty, more leisurely pace, rural atmosphere. I have the best of both worlds, with a place in the city and on these islands.	3.9	138

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Unspoiled environment and wild areas I value nature above all	3.9	139
In the city I participate in the unsustainable consumption of resources. It's difficult if not impossible to live there otherwise. In the islands I		
feel like I have less impact. No cars. Solar energy. Captured rainwater.	3.9	140
Its beauty and the shared values of caring for the environment. As climate change rears its ugly head, we need to be concerned about how		
to preserve what we have.	3.9	
Large forested areas They absorb carbon, water, sustain life	3.9	142
We feel that living on an island gives us a slow down pass to living and everyone gets the secret. We enjoy our community and the like		
minded people.	3.9	143
I live on Lasqueti, and what i value the most is our local control! It is extremely important to me that we as a community be publicly		
consulted prior to any changes which is island trust makes.	3.9	144
I value that it is a special enitity with a mandate to preserve and protect the nature.	3.9	145
Peace and Serenity. Getaway feeling, not the maximized development that occurs elsewhere. Islands by their nature pull one away from		
the trappings of capitalism, commodifying, commercialization and congestion	3.9	146
The Southern Gulf Islands are unique in that they are located in the best climate in Canada. Cities are for population. The SGIs should		
continue to be managed in order to keep low density and keep the islands well forested.	3.9	147
Farmers, families, fire fighters, teachers, volunteers. It is the people that protect the place.	3.9	148
I value a healthy community A healthy community contains people of all income levels with a diversity of skills.	3.9	149
Small communities . Becoming an active part of a village, away from the anonymous big city.	3.9	150
The trust area is peaceful, beautiful, clean and is a spirit filled place My home as a young adult/ I'm blessed to live here full time once again.		
Not everyone can earn a livelihood in such a place! Let's be generous.	3.9	151
The natural environment, the wild life, and the quiet peaceful living away from all the noise and pollution of the city. Even if you don't live		
here everyone should be able to experience all of the above .	3.9	152
Natural state Quality of life	3.9	153
I value all the community groups and the many ways they work to protect the environment, weave the social fabric, and create art. in an		
increasingly fragmented, polarized world, it is essential for people to be able to work together.	3.9	154

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I value that the SGI's are not Vancouver. We have less; less population density, less air pollution, less light pollution, less traffic. Preserve it.		
People who want more would destroy this unique place. They want sidewalks, street lights and 6000 sq ft houses. They want a suburb of		
Vancouver.	3.9	155
quiet, air quality, night sky,	3.9	156
I value tranquility of the islands and the beauty that we see	3.9	157
I value privacy and quietness.	3.9	158
Gardening and Local Food production Ability to grow and purchase organic vegetables and other produce.	3.9	159
Water supply Water is life and here it falls from the sky in abundance! Start promoting rainwater collection instead of fighting over well		
water right of ways.	3.9	160
The resident Orcas	3.9	161
We need to support a marine protected area around the islands The health of the ocean and its ecosystem is vital to our long term survival	3.9	162
Clean shorelines unspoiled Forage fish provide food for other species.	3.8	163
No bridges to Vancouver island or mainland Keeps the islands as islands with their own character	3.8	164
Quiet spaces Mental health	3.8	165
I love that there are whales It gives me joy to know that such beautiful creatures are swimming beneath the waves	3.8	166
Reducing development that impacts our environment Making sure the land is there for future generation	3.8	167
Removed from urban build up, but close proximity to necessities of life-work, school, etc Restorative for mental health	3.8	168
Farms People need food	3.8	169
I value that the role of the Trust has been to preserve and protect these beautiful Gulf Islands. Had we not had it, we would likely have had	2.0	470
huge hotels, more craziness in the summer on this island and more commercialization.	3.8	170
Recognition and celebration of the unique environment raises consciousness / awareness of the fragility of the area and threats of climate		
change	3.8	171
they protect local environmental areas. environment is essential. this is good.	3.8	172
Provides residents and visitors with an opportunity to experience a unique way of life in close relations ship to the natural world provides a		
counterpoint to more and bigger is better	3.8	173
Strong supportive community	3.8	174

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I enjoy the fact that Galiano is not (yet) over-developed There are too few places in the world where intact forests are valued for more than		
economic benefit; the Trust Area is (for now) one of them.	3.8	175
I value the sense of privacy I have each time I take the ferry home, the span of the near wilderness that surrounds my world, the peace of the island.	3.8	176
Renewable energy, regenerative land-use (including agriculture), and low-impact transportation: THESE belong at the centre of Trust policy		
and vision. Only with renewable and regenerative ways of living can we "preserve and protect" the unique environment of the Islands Trust Area.	3.8	177
sense of community	3.8	178
Community (people, events, groups) Connection and contribution are other basic needs. Our islands are great places to feel strong vibrant		
community.	3.8	179
Greatful for biocentric lifestyle in the rural context of the trust area Preserve and protect philosophy is essential to my sense of well-being and living here	3.8	180
I value beaches covered with seaweed, shells and driftwood, NOT strewn with plastic and other litter. Marine organisms need real food, not plastic particles, to eat! For humans, natural beaches are pleasant and peaceful.	3.8	181
I value the goal of protecting the natural (environmental) and rural community values on these islands. The places on the planet with those characteristics, or having governments with those characteristics as major guiding values, are fast disappearing.	3.8	182
Island-ness (ferry, water around us) Having a definite boundary makes our community distinct and contained and UNIQUE (but like the other islands too).	3.8	183
It's beautiful. Nothing is more important in life.	3.8	184
Lovely spot to live.	3.8	185
the accessible environment	3.8	186
I like the fact that island people are generous and collaborative rather than being reactionary. Island trust area is sensitive; we are part of a		
worldwide ecosystem and must consider the good of others, including movement of goods and services.	3.8	187
The forests The extent of forest and access to uninhibited areas with historic and current cultural relevance.	3.8	188

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The island natural environment-the many trails, paths, parks, beaches and private properties which try to retain intact nature. Our Ark In this		
time of climate crisis it is imperative to retain natural spaces and re-naturalize areas damaged by human use this is our ARK let nature heal	3.8	189
Clean water from the sky every winter! Summer water shortages and water frugality are countered by full cisterns and streams in winter.	3.8	
Community engagement Opportunity to have say	3.8	191
Low impact rural solutions to affordable housing like land sharing, co-op housing, tiny home village, retirement communities can be accomplished Creative and ecological small foot print solutions are out there and can be obtained when there is a will	3.8	192
There's a cultural feel to them It's hard to find the right words but a certain uniqueness that isn't commonly found	3.8	
Friendly Nice to interact with friendly people	3.8	194
I believe the Islands Trust area is a very special one, that deserves protecting.	3.8	195
I enjoy the quiet nature and rural areas. I enjoy raising chickens.	3.8	196
I feel that the Trust has for the most part allowed the Islands not to be overdeveloped and maintain in some ways their charm and rural character. Overall I think it is important to preserve some aspects of our rural communities, both ecologically and for their beauty and		
intrinsic worth	3.8	197
Need to find ways of limiting freighter anchoring To protect shorelines and species who count on them and for the beauty of island residents	3.8	
Not like being in a city	3.8	
People care about this place and are passionate	3.8	200
Preserving the natural habitat and wildlife Modern lifestyles have been destructive and we need to look at nature as our teacher	3.8	201
The opportunity to grow my own food, harvest what nature provides and look after my neighbours is a blessing. Neighbourliness means that we have the opportunity and responsibility to look after one another, not at the cost of another.	3.8	202
limit commercial crabbing in the gulf islands, should be sport fishing area only . to much commercial pressure is damaging the islands trust stocks	3.8	

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Active neighbourhood and support People are helping helping each other including emergency services	3.8	204
All island communities share the value of respecting nature, which is why we all moved to the islands. It's important to me because we need		
to work together to protect and preserve the lands and waters of the Trust Area.	3.8	205
Each I.T. area community is different from each other. Diversity is strength.	3.8	206
It's natural beauty, and that generally people who choose to live here appreciate that and would like to protect it. There has been a lot of preservation; it is important that is continued, especially against the constant(outside) pressures to develop and exploit it.	3.8	207
We need to find solutions and come together Don't pass the burden on to future generations	3.8	208
How clean it is health	3.8	
Lack of pollution/garbage Supports my values	3.8	210
Removed from the mainstream, there is time to live life here, people are unique, no other place on earth like this. People need to know they matter and can help others know this about themselves too. It's difficult to achieve this living in a crowd. The community Proves opportunities to be active and contribute	3.8 3.8	
It's important to protect the SGIs from urban development in order to keep them special.	3.8	213
Ruxton Island is not on your list We love the quiet, non-commercial nature of the Islands Trust area, especially when there are no freighters in the immediate vicinity.	3.8	214
The National Park/ the forest being able to be among trees feeds my soul	3.8	215
I value the beauty of the natural landscape It's important to preserve and protect that beauty for future generations- it's this beauty that draws us to the islands.	3.8	216
Islands foster cooperation and community and congeniality People need to slow down, and appreciate open space in a safe community Sense of community People who live there are friendly and helpful	3.8	217 218
The natural environment and the peace, beauty and health benefits that go with it. Because it is more likely to be sustainable on a local level	3.8	218
and contribute to sustainability on a more global level.	3.8	219
Forests Ground water security.	3.8	220

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Structured approach to managing development and environmental protection. A sustainable approach to development is critical. In a fashion		
that takes into account environmental protection.	3.8	221
I love that I can live a more gentle, sustainable, artistic and spiritual life here than in town or even in a modern rural setting. Again, so few places remain that aren't overdeveloped and operated by megacorps with nothing but profit at all cost in mind.	3.8	222
Its important to protect the islands from development pressure that could turn them into just another tourist destination and property		
investment area	3.8	223
I enjoy the solitude my land provides me and my family. In the city you are squeezed into pigeon hole condos next to a neighbor you are forced to endure.	3.8	224
Each island has its own character & feel, shaped by the values of the people, geography and history of each area. The Community Plans & the people who live on each island are part of the uniqueness. Many crafts people/artists & self employed/independents. The area is unique and special in many ways and we consider it a privilege to live in such a special place. Being close to the ocean is very	3.8	225
important to us whether at home or on vacation.	3.8	226
The beauty of the landscape and the peacefulness of a rural environment. After retiring from a busy professional life in the city, it is important to me to reduce stress and live a peaceful life close to nature.	3.8	227
The islands are a treasure. There will be more people using them. Further development is inescapable . This development must be controlled and planned Planning is essential	3.8	228
The rural and natural environment remote from the urban and suburban impacts of living in a developed area. This means a close proximity to open space and natural forest areas and the marine environment.	3.8	229
Enjoy living on an island with a fantastic, supportive community We may not get along all the time, but we support one another when it counts	3.8	230
I love our community of people, everyone is super inclusive and ageism doesn't seem to exist. We are a multi-generation group of farmers who wants to support one another. We love our Tues and Sat Market where we can all support each-other.	3.8	231
It's an area, surrounded by a relatively large population that has managed to preserve much of it's natural beauty and livability. The natural beauty cannot be replaced if development is not carefully controlled.	3.8	232

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
The rural and sparsely settled nature of the island landscape and largely natural shorelines as viewed from the water. It is still possible on		
most of the Trust Islands to see evidence of the traditional farming, fishing and logging settlement patterns.	3.8	233
its ruralness balanced with enough services to make living here possible without ferrying elsewhere.	3.8	234
I value the natural environment of the Trust area and its abundant habitat for local flora and fauna. This is important to me because an environment in which wildlife succeeds is also be healthy for us, with clean air and water, and local food supply.	3.8	235
Quality of Food Local production and soil quality	3.8	
Natural and Human Environment I value the Gulf Islands for their natural marine and terrestrial environment environment, well connected communities, healthy local businesses	3.8	
The uniqueness, diversity & beauty of each island community. Each island is individual in its own right because of its community. It is important to maintain the health & diversity of each island. Each island is beautiful but the differences in the communities must be		
protected.	3.8	
independence people are self-sufficient	3.8	239
We have a wonderful natural environment which should be made available for all to share but for none to exploit in unsustainable ways. In an era when climate change is now staring us in the face, the time to act is now!	3.8	240
the climate other than the winter gloom it is the best climate in the country	3.8	240
I love living in a semi-rural setting Some development should be monitored	3.7	242
It's safe and low pollution Because the islands are some of the few places with not a lot of human activity	3.7	
I value the sense of community. I love that neighbours are always willing to help.	3.7	244
Its 'Object' (mandate) to preserve and protect the Trust Area and its unique amenities and environment for the benefit of All. This 'Object' (mandate) ensures the preservation and protection of the Trust Area and its unique amenities and environment for the benefit of All.	3.7	245
Keeping the waters clean Reducing the shipping traffic	3.7	246
The opportunity to demonstrate to the world that we can balance humans and place. Finding balance is more important then ever.	3.7	247
The unique geography and climate Couldn't bear any other part of Canada	3.7	248

What do you value about the Trust Area?	overall (people	Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
This should be a no tanker zone. It's crazy to allow oil tankers in this area An oil spill here is unimaginable and we shouldn't risk.	3.7	249
Opportunity to get away from busy-ness of city life	3.7	250
the culture and community and green spaces	3.7	251
I think living on an island, in itself is a unique experience. It offers the chance for community and becoming involved in many aspects of livingl Being in a "Trust" area means we have more urgency to add our voices respectfully and try to see how to best accept diversity in population and land.	3.7	252
Low-cost housing is an ecological issue; low eco-footprint housing is the future. No more obscene McMansions! No new roads that ruin wild areas! "Haves" consume more energy & resources as economics drive "have nots" out of housing: Social Justice is integral to Environmental		
Sustainability. More provincial reforms needed: for alternate and Earth-friendly building methods: hemp-crete, non-drywall approaches, & restore owner-	3.7	253
builder rights. Relax the stranglehold of building trades/industry, and the "health" regulations vs. composting toilets. Over-regulation makes housing EXPENSIVE.	3.7	254
Cont. I could strive to meet the 2030 carbon budget by the end of 2020, for example. We could challenge ourselves to reduce our carbon footprint. Reduce our carbon footprint to a meaningful level, one that lines up with the 2015 Paris Agreement, not a politically contrived	2.7	255
target.	3.7	255
The closeness to indigenous land Living in this area I am able to feel the past and Honour the history and current cultural importance and connection to first nations.	3.7	256
In my island, volunteers manage many tax-funded services. This saves huge amounts of off-island management \$\$, and gives us local control Local input & control is a rare privilege in N. America. Small-town democracy is very valuable.	3.7	257
That this is a TRUST not local government in the conventional sense; And that its purpose is and always should be unique: to preserve the		
natural Environmement	3.7	258
The durability of the residents It's not easy to live on a (smaller) island, the tenacity and care of the residents is emotional and prideful and I	2.7	350
like what it says about the area The environment respect for the land and it's peoples	3.7	259 260
Close-knit communities Support each other	3.7	

What do you value about the Trust Area?	overall (people	Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Pristine Nature Our ecosystem is particularly valuable and at risk due to global mass extinction. It also provides natural connections for		
visitors.	3.7	262
That the islands are in the most precious and endangered bio geoclimatic zone in b c It means that the preserve and protect mandate is		
more important than ever	3.7	263
I love that I can still heat my house with wood from the land, AND I support very efficient, safe, low-emission wood-burning appliances. Historically, culturally, emotionally, people depend on fire. Propane and oil deliveries may not always be possible.	3.7	264
National and provincial governments and regulating agencies would have us be like everywhere else. But that should never be the goal of		
Islands Trust. We are a unique subculture and IT should protect that uniqueness.	3.7	265
Our island has a great recycling depot. Ethically disposing of "garbage" is very important for the whole world's environment. Islanders set a		
good example to visitors.	3.7	266
Real estate developers should be educated on how properties are impacted Real estate developers need to know they are developing in		
sensitive ecosystems and water levels are impacted.	3.7	267
Supportive people/community	3.7	268
The island way of life as a refuge from the ubiquitous culture dominated by urban values and practices. In some ways it is still a kind of frontier, where we do things from scratch and rely upon each other more than upon commercial or government services	3.7	269
Forests Clean	3.7	270
I value the preserve and protect mandate because the ecosystems on the islands are so very fragile, and they are under terrible pressure	_	
from our human activities.	3.7	271
I value the unique rural aspect of South Pender With the close proximity to Vancouver it is vital to keep south pender unique and rural. The ability to retreat from 'modern' life Corporate data gathering, unhealthy conveniences, rigid scheduling and constantly being available to	3.7	272
everyone all of the time are hard to escape.	3.7	273
The community Support for one another.	3.7	273
Able to live full-time in a caring community. Full-time living allows for neighbours and community members to help each other.	3.7	275

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
I live on Lasqueti, I value the social diversity on this island It is important because the diversity and social engagement brings about a super		
healthy social system	3.7	276
I value that we have some form of governance where the public can have input, and that the Trust members listen It takes courage and		
patience I know. I don't think any members are corrupt.	3.7	277
It is a beautiful and unique natural area. As population increases and adverse effects of climate change loom over us it is important to		
preserve natural areas.	3.7	278
My island has an excellent Free Store. Every island should have one! Reusing others' clean & usable discards saves my family \$\$, reduces		
mining and manufacturing, saves the environment, reduces landfills.	3.7	279
Salt Spring Island offers a bucolic environment, near Victoria A clean, green, environment	3.7	280
Shared vision Protecting our lands and environment	3.7	281
The predominance of trees. Feels normal, attracts birds, provides shelter from sun and wind	3.7	282
The special and relatively unspoiled natural environment. Biodiversity, natural justice.	3.7	283
Unspoiled - so many natural areas and volunteers taking care of the trails. We are all dreading a big fire on Galiano.	3.7	284
We value accessing potable water. We need to make sure everyone on our island can access water. We need to enforce bylaw breakers who overtake the common amount.	3.7	285
	3.7	265
I value the natural beauty of the islands. It's important because as the population swells more and more land will be developed and strain an already fragile ecosystem. Build more parks!	3.7	200
	3.7	286 287
That it is relatively undeveloped Maintain cleaner living and oceans	3./	287
The natural beauty and close knit community We need to find a balance between our needs and what is sustainable. An island is a	2.7	200
microcosm of the broader world we live in	3.7	288
The trust with its mandate to preserve and protect. The fact that we have made it a law to care for the land, and that residents value the	2.7	200
environment highly and make efforts to take care of it.	3.7	289
The Trustees should be loudly in opposition to the encroachment of commercial enterprises in the Trust zone, including the proposed barge		
landing on the west side of Valdes Island	3.7	290
The degree of independence and isolation from the more than 2.5 million people who live less than 50 kilometers from my little island. I value the fact that as an islander I have a great deal more personal freedom than my neighbours on the Mainland or on Vancouver Island.	3.7	291

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Eradication / reduction of invasive plant species. To help maintain and restore our natural, unique ecosystems as much as possible.	3.7	292
Living in a close-knit, caring community. I feel safe here, as well as appreciated and supported by both close friends and acquaintances.	3.7	293
The natural beauty This is the context for what we do as humans and should be integrated with thought	3.7	294
community	3.7	295
It takes a different kind of person to live on an island. Being a close-knit bunch was a necessity in times past, now it's one of the joys in life Familiarity can make one think it's ok to tell others how to live, what to believe. This takes that joy away from any one within earshot of		
them.	3.7	296
I value the peace and tranquility that the island trust area provides. It provides a respite from my busy life. When I am on the island I feel		
one with nature and in true balance.	3.7	297
We value the farmers and farms on the island. We have access to fresh vegetables, fruits, meats and eggs. Almost everything you would like to have access to on the island.	3.7	298
environmental protection Trust islands are what other communities should be- regulated and controlled to prevent environmental damage	3.7	298
from overgrowth and development	3.7	299
It seems that what we value the most about living in the Islands Trust Area is the very thing that is most at risk. We must protect this area from our own garbage before we can point fingers at others. Respect and conservation of our ground water is also important.	3.7	300
Healthy Lifestyles Marine and land-based recreational hiking, walking, kyaking-boating	3.7	301
Need lower income housing on the islands to encourage more housing options	3.7	302
Quiet natural environment, away to be in nature and away from the city	3.7	303
I am grateful that this is in place to preserve the islands and save them from development. This is a beautiful and sacred part of the world		
that should be accessible to all residents and visitors, not just the wealthy.	3.7	304
Island self sufficiency with wide range of businessesencourage success.	3.7	305
It gives me a chance to be part of a small, off grid community. It's a wonderful way to live in and appreciate our natural surroundings. The excitement and awe of children as they watch fish spawning, eagles arriving, dolphins and whales returning.	3.7	306

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Local food production (island markets, farms and gardens)	3.7	307
The islands are unique and we can't forget that	3.7	308
The weather, scenery, wildlife, atmosphere and lifestyle. Because, these are the things we need to make life enjoyable.	3.7	309
We need to preserve the land for food production, not big mansions. Reduce unwanted development and reduce anyone from getting out of the ALR.	3.7	310
Forest Fires How can we be prepared on our island for a huge forest fire? Do we have the equipment to support community members to take up arm & defend the island.	3.7	311
I value a variety of things, but most of all is the island landscape itself. We live in a beautiful, safe area for many people to live in.	3.7	312
I value being a volunteer in my community We should all support each other by participating in activities, events and organizations that lift one another up.	3.7	313
The preservation of undeveloped land providing wildlife habitat and views. Preservation of parklands, Conservancy areas & Crown lands benefits everyone: boaters/ferry passengers, island residents, visitors.	3.7	314
I value the engaged citizenry who care deeply about protecting what is special about these islands. This tells me that I live in a caring community.	3.6	315
Lifestlye Much of the trust area has the potential to keep a culture that is being lost to corporate interests and exploitation	3.6	316
Local decision making. People who live on islands know them the best	3.6	317
interesting residents it is good to be stimulated, challenged or amused	3.6	318
the opportunity for the islands to be the greenest cleanest most beautiful and progressive place to express our love of our planet climate change is real, and very scary	3.6	319
I worry about the destruction of special places and cultural heritage Once it is destroyed it can never be restored	3.6	
It is very peaceful Because there is not a lot of development on the islands	3.6	
values of preservation once this islnd is over-run, you can't reverse the process	3.6	
Overdevelopment of islands, they are not clear cut. Concerned about fish farms and Styrofoam on beach. Toxicity of water and marine life wellness. We plan to live on the island full time and have already observed concerning impact to the environment in the 10 years we have		333
been there part time.	3.6	323
Access to nature and the centre of ganges	3.6	324

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Conventional building practices are out of step with the Climate crisis. Septic systems alone take out 30+ trees, use immense amounts of		
water. Build low impact smaller buildings with echo features like composting toilets, solar power, post and pad or Cob building style,		
reusable materials etc	3.6	
To have a say in what goes on at very important human level	3.6	326
We need rapid reforestation for carbon sequestration so must protect standing forests as an emergency response to climate change. balance between protection and economic sustainability	3.6 3.6	327 328
the bio-diversity and protected ecosystems as we struggle to confront climate change, I've realized the Islands Trust is already gifted with the	3.0	323
tools - they just have to use them!	3.6	329
The community The activities and bustling nature of members of this community Allows me to engage with people every day. I am	3.0	323
constantly interacting with others.	3.6	330
I love it when the mass of tourism LEAVES at summer's end. We islanders need the SHOULDER and winter seasons to recover from the		333
summer onslaught. Our local communities need to regroup to play hosts again.	3.6	331
Its mandate to preserve and protect the islands We face unrelenting pressure to develop and grow on islands that have finite resources.	3.6	332
No big concrete parking lots	3.6	333
The biodiversity is very important to me, forest cover, dark skies, sense of interconnected community dependent on healthy ecosystem Concerned about environmental protection, climate change and burgeoning human population growth and concurrent food carbon footprint	3.6	334
The strong sense of community among islanders. We watch out for each other. We make our own entertainment.	3.6	335
The warmer than average Canadian winter climate. Peaceful, low crime, Quiet, Clean air except from Harmac from time to time. Warmer		
climate allows year round activities that otherwise could not take place elsewhere in Canada	3.6	336
Trust policy and practice should not threaten the island way of life by trying to imitate the sort of burgeoning regulation everywhere else. IT must resist pressures for "development.," but must also resist pressure to conform to ways of the wider world.	3.6	337
Wetland projection is paramountbuffers must be strong where development is attemped Foreshore aquaculture is also negatively		
impacting natural marine life we need lobbying for limits to foreshore development	3.6	338

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Abundance of locally grown food, especially in summer. Healthier, fewer GHGs, pesticides,	3.6	339
Climate (not too hot, not too cold, not to dry and not too wet) Living near the ocean at this latitude is my ideal for a truly livable climate that		
still has interesting seasonal changes.	3.6	340
I share in the principle of protecting these islands and there resources, not only protecting, enhancing them. Without enhancement the resources will dwindle and disappear, for example planting Gary Oak and Arbutus, and preventing unnecessary land clearing.	3.6	
I value the community and friendly faces of the islanders. It's important because people tend to smile less in the city.	3.6	342
I value water use and and how water impacts other properties. Households are effected directly due to dry wells and water shortages on islands.	3.6	343
In the west Howe Sound islands people know one another better than they know their neighbors in the city. I like the sense of community.	3.6	344
It is a trust for all of bc and beyond	3.6	345
No pollution	3.6	346
Open space sense of purpose	3.6	347
Our natural environment Climate change, over development, a threat to our natural environment.	3.6	348
There is just the right mix of conveniences and essential services.	3.6	349
lack of litter	3.6	350
Connecting to nature - weathering the gales, the steady rain, the days the clouds meld with the ocean, the heat of summer, tides, the flora		
and fauna In an ever increasing "smart" mod con world, one power outage and one is thrust into "survival mode" with huge respect for old		
indigenous societies	3.6	351
I value our community spaces We need places to gather outside and inside. Without these spaces, we would be surrounded by private		
property.	3.6	352
Keep bitchumen tankers completely away from North Pender Island. This is far too dangerous a risk in our beautiful unique area. The		
tankers that already anchor around North Pender should be charged high fees for future leaks and contamination costs that would effect the		
area.	3.6	353
Keeping and protecting all of what makes this so special In order to have access to this environment for everyone and for a long time into		
the future we need to protect and preserve what we can!	3.6	354

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Rural nature. Protection of the area from rampant development and habitat destruction. The province continues to allow the destruction of irreplaceable natural areads	3.6	355
Community Plan designations need to state the intention to live in and preserve the natural ecosystem, not clearcut and landscape as is the rule, How can the "unique amenities" be preserved without expressly preserving the forest environment?	3.6	
I value the Trust's work to prevent overdevelopment and protect both nature and sufficient resources for the residents not to exhaust livability The island has limited carrying capacity, we don't want the ecosystem to collapse under the weight of human exploitation Low development potential, while high parkland areas. We can have preserved natural ecosystems, while still living in them, and	3.6	357
appreciating them.	3.6	358
Need increase in farming opportunities Make it easier for farmers to live on farmland.	3.6	
That we seem suspended in time, progress is not always a coveted path. The world surges forward and on Piers, we have the luxury of being		
a little slower. Until recently, only the fire dept had gas/diesel vehicles.	3.6	
the ability of this predominantly wild area to clean our air health	3.6	361
Firefighting procedures for the small off grid islands that receive zero government services firefighting equipment supplied to these		
communities supported by the taxes that are paid by residents	3.6	
the concern for sustainability of our environment self explanatory	3.6	
don't add more policies that negatively impact the environment. I feel like I live in a nature park.	3.6	364
Need to encourage latest technology such as solar panels and composting toilets rather than using building codes designed for large cities		
Match ecosystem and preserve things by reducing un-necessary construction and systems	3.6	365
The Islands Trust area is a remarkable milieu of unique macro/micro ecosystems in (this part of) the world. It is because of its/their		
uniqueness that they are so vulnerable to human activity-of-all-sorts.	3.6	366
We need to balance the valuable natural beauty of these islands with the needs of providing a home to a restricted number of human		
residents. People are already here and their lives have had an enormous impact on the land but we do need to realistically and strategically		
plan for human needs	3.6	367
rainwater harvesting should be allowed for potable use as technology allows just like people have solar panels. there needs to be better		
enforcement of STVRs to protect water.	3.6	368

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Coastal beauty The Gulf Islands are some of the most beautiful places in the country. The diversity of coastal ecosystems need to be		
protected.	3.6	369
I value my lifestyle while living on this island. There are many things that bring me joy! I enjoy the natural beauty, walking - biking		
everywhere, rural environment, knowing my neighbors, living on a large acreage of land.	3.6	370
I value the lifestyle that I can have here. I can live off the grid. It is important to me to be self sufficient and close to nature. It is important		
to have building codes the are unique to our sites.	3.6	371
It is comfortable to say hello, good morning to everyone you pass by It's a happy feeling	3.6	372
The fact that North Pender Island is what I call a "Working Island". That is to say, on the whole, there are sufficient facilities and		
tradespeople to make "the world go round".	3.6	373
Conservation of forests, streams, & coastal environment	3.6	374
I value families on the islands, however, we are losing so many of them because they don't have permanent locations. We need to create		
affordable housing complexes. Can you help us Islands Trust staff?	3.6	375
I value living on an island with a tight knit community	3.6	376
This is my home and I love living here! I have a farm, I maintain the farm and the farm feeds me. We all love these islands because they are		
are home and we feel supported and loved.	3.6	377
the sea wildlife, recreation, openness, beauty, calmness	3.6	378
Commercial and global brand development forces are largely absent on the Gulf Islands. We are living on the edge of and between some of		
Canada's fastest growing urban centres. It is truly amazing the islands have been able to stay rural.	3.6	379
I value community, history, contribution, connection, generosity, individuality, acceptance. An appreciation of these is getting harder to find.		
Differences aside, there's a set of shared values across the ITA. It's what draws us there, keeps us there. It's what gives lives purpose,		
meaning.	3.6	380
I value the beauty of the Strait of Georgia I live here	3.6	381
That it has remained relatively unchanged except for increases road traffic It is still relatively rural	3.6	382
In protecting the islands, we protect the diverse wildlife and sea life of the area. We need diversification of all species.	3.6	383
Living among nature instead of a place which dominates nature We should all appreciate the opportunity we have because we live on these		
islands	3.6	384

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Also value the cleaner water and air, and the close-up living with nature. It's a learning experience about the other creatures who share the		
land, sky and water around us, and makes us tailor our actions so as not to harm th	3.6	
Darkness and starry skys	3.6	
Enjoying the natural environment and amenities of the islands I love living here and I call this my home	3.6	387
I value everything about my life on the islands We can't take for granted the amazing island where we get to work and live on. The beauty		
along should make people be in awe.	3.6	388
I value the opportunity my children have on this island, especially the programs that tie nature and education. We also have countless		
opportunities for them to connect to nature on their own.	3.6	389
Its natural state. Relatively preserved coastal Douglas Fir habitat. Slow pace of life. Peoples self reliance. Coastal Douglas Fir is an		
endangered ecosystem. However it is the whole ethic of preservation which is important about the Islands Trust	3.6	390
Potable water	3.6	391
The Trust area is a kind of refuge from development pressures to maximize the economy at the expense of the ecosystem. We need to see		
nature close-up in order to appreciate it and save as much as possible for future generations.	3.6	392
Rural island lifestyle, views, being close to nature, observing wildlife, shoreline access & views - a world away from city lifestyles. Yet close enough to be accessible for weekend get aways or full time living for those independently employed, or retirees	3.6	393
Its beauty and tranquility. Good for the soul and the mind.	3.6	
Access to nature Recreational purposes	3.5	
Ferry traffic this summer was obscene, Fulford Harbour was often backed up with outgoing vehicles. We lack the capacity to handle this	3.3	355
many people, if there was a disaster requiring evacuation we would have been toast.	3.5	396
Open community and inclusivity = Happy people	3.5	
Community Supportive and involved	3.5	
I believe that embedded in this system is the best possibility for local grassroots government and solutions. This is a key part of democracy.	3.5	399
Preserving and Protecting means ecological education for new land owners, visitors, trades persons, business owners, full timers, and weekenders. There needs to be continued education for all users of this UNSEEDED Coast Salish Territory as it is not ours to degrade we are		
only the care takers	3.5	400

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Commitment to a preserve and protect mandate	3.5	401
I love the fact that we live on an ISLAND. After the last ferry arrives, we're on our own. The drawbridge is up. If any hooligans drive around making doughnut tire tracks, they are catchable.	3.5	402
Our small year round community needs protecting too and that means affordable rental housing built in ways that blend into the natural surroundings. We need to keep our young families here. They are our workers and our future and our hope.	3.5	403
The real pace makes room for intersectionality. Not overwhelmed by corporate interests. People still have say. All people potentially have		
say.	3.5	404
British Columbia should take responsibility for fisheries enhancement and management programs. DFO has tried to manage the fisheries and west coast work / life / environmental balance with little to no success. Time for west coast effectivevness	3.5	405
Creating space for our very young and their families must be a priority as they are an integral part of a Living Island. Affordable child care	3.5	406
NO BIG BOX STORES and NO GIANT SUPERMARKETS on my island (yet). I hope that economics as well as IT policies, community plans and Land use bylaws, keep our island businesses small and locally-owned.	3.5	407
Safety for children. Neighbours look out for kids. Ferry is a filter that helps bring a certain type of visitor, discourages urban drug-and-gang type OF COURSE we want our children to feel safe, and yet have the freedom to play outdoors in woods and on beaches.	3.5	408
Access to community connections I enjoy accessing community organizations and places to connect to build connections within our community.	3.5	409
Affordable housing does not translate to density We shouldn't put 12 units on a 6 acre property. That's too many people on a property. It		
doesn't fit with the island character. We shouldn't do this!	3.5	410
I really value the friendliness of all Penderites.	3.5	411
Need food and water security	3.5	412
Salmon enhancement program development. (early 60's) We were well aware of the lack of the governments ability to manage west coast fisheries.	3.5	413

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To many layers of ineffective governments involved in our west coast resources and not enough real community involvement. It is clear that		
west coast communities should have the authority and accountability to manage their own areas and own future.	3.5	414
We always hope that Islands Trust will help us protect our values by enforcing those who do not follow the rules. On a small island, everyone is a neighbour, so direct conflict is avoided. Having outside "enforcement" assists in island overall peace.	3.5	415
have to deal with water changes and dry spells need to manage water changes and supply	3.5	416
The Salish Sea is a lovely concept that reminds us of the civilizations that developed here before they were overrun by the European migration. It gives us a sense of place. We share the forests, beaches and sea with a thousand generations of people who were here before		
us.	3.5	417
Transportation between our islands, especially in the case of smaller islands - improvement districts. Pollution, accessibility, cost	3.5	418
I really enjoy living on this tranquil island. I hope I will be able to come back here after I've left the island for a while to go to school & work a bit.	3.5	419
I value our coastal forests and everything living in them We had some difficult times when logging was occurring on Galiano, but we pressed on and ensured we protected the forests. Trees are life.	3.5	420
Though we differ politically, my neighbours share the same 'Preserve and Protect' approach that we have. Helps in building a community, something that is much harder to do in the city.	3.5	421
rural not pestered by bureucrats and neighbours	3.5	422
The ability of the Trust to shape development. Without this the islands would be destroyed for the short term profit of developers.	3.5	
Democracy Everyone has a say	3.5	
Having a unique community identity. Pride of place can lead to better stewardship.	3.5	425
I can express my creativity on my private land. In the city everyone is trying to push you around. My property is my kingdom and a buffer from the crazies in the world and on the island.	3.5	426
Seven-generation Seasonal Residents My family looks forward to many more generations enjoying what we love!	3.5	427

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We need to carefully consider the need for very limited development of housing and services for the human population. If we don't take		
charge of responsible decision-making, these islands will become even more playgrounds or gated communities for the wealthy.	3.5	428
preserving the natural and rural aspect of this unique region and its diverse ecosystem in a world thats losing so much of its natural		
landscape	3.5	429
I value the traditional values of the islanders. The trust is destroying the traditional values by valuing place over people through their		
micromanagement of permitted activities.	3.5	430
These islands are a sacred trust offering precious ecological components that need to be treasured and protected. So much of the earth has been manipulated and ravaged to meet human needs, that we need to appreciate the importance of honoring what remains.	3.5	431
It is my home, therefore it is important to me	3.5	432
Loving nature and wildlife	3.5	433
Our small, rural isolated island We're next to large centers who come and visit the islands, which is great for the economy in some ways. However, put pressure on our potable water.	3.5	434
Rural, big lots (property), narrow windy roads and not so busy. It's really just a feeling one gets from the narrow windy roads and open space		
and countryside.	3.5	435
Access to potable water!	3.5	436
I enjoy living on this island because of the natural environment We participate in a variety of activities on the island, water and with other		
community members. We love living in a place surrounded by good people.	3.5	437
We have a great road system here on the island; however, we need to improve them to include bike lanes and proper walking lanes.		
Increasing our safety would make things more accessible.	3.5	438
A future for our youth. Encourage modernized form of representative govt. with more elected representation.	3.5	439
Back to basics living and realizing what is truly important. Knowing the rewards & what it takes to build and live in a rural/remote area. Living		
tends to be simpler & residents more likely to be responsible for maintenance & upgrades of their properties & daily needs. Good		
experiences.	3.5	440
I value our community transportation network It's always a joy when people use the community bus system and hitching locations. We also have a great community bus and three ferries to use.	3.5	441

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
I value the community connections and natural world. I enjoy the rural aspects of Hornby, but enjoy the buzz of tourists in the summer		
months. We are a diverse community, but we are all here for a reason.	3.5	442
I've lived on these islands almost my whole life. I value the family connections and community support I receive daily. It's an opportunity to		
raise young families and connect with others.	3.5	443
My wife and I most value the close exposure to nature with seabirds, sea mammals, deer, otters, mink and wild forests so close. Near		
pristine seaside areas like this are almost entirely gone. Being able to live in one is an amazing privilege.	3.5	444
The Trust & Island life is not just for full-time residents Full-time residents often seem like they love the Island(s) more than part-timers, and		
are more entitled, but even visitors love it just as much.	3.5	445
The trust should have more authority and CRD budget should transfer to the Trust Split authority and jurisdiction makes planning clumsy and		
ineffective	3.5	446
I like the community spirit on Pender. People are generally friendly, helpful and cooperative and caring. These are my values, and I want to		
live in a place where others share these values.	3.5	447
Preserving the natural landscape and water ways	3.5	448
I value living on island where I can access the natural environment, especially beaches and the ocean	3.5	449
I value the protection it affords to the natural environment. Climate change and increasing demand on access to the natural environment	3.5	450
It is time to embrace the First Nations world view. The islands and its plants and animals are viewed as their Relatives. We have to stop		
thinking about the islands as a "resource" for exploitation and care for the land.	3.5	451
Our islands are a peaceful oasis, no better place on earth. The majority lives with respect and acceptance of opinions that differ from their		
own. The majority balances those so opposed to eating meat they drool at the prospect of more control over Agriculture to eliminate the		
raising of animals.	3.5	452
Rural, less developed area; lack of streetlights, low population density; forest; birds and other wildlife; quiet. Since moving here my health,		
energy and happiness have all improved significantly.	3.5	453
We live a beautiful rural community of islands. We should all know we need to take better care of it, and teach one another how to to do		
this.	3.5	454
We value the natural beauty & wildlife, all in a community setting Conserving nature in all communities is fundamental, all while residents,		
wildlife & visitors learn to live together, it's a circle of life & living	3.5	455

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Economic health of ea community needs to be protected along with environment. Without an economic base the community will die. It is		
community members & landowners who protect the local environment in the long run.	3.5	456
The Islands Trust Area is one in which a different sustainable approach is being tried between the needs of humans (part of the ecosystem)		
and the eco system itself. Like Biosphere Reserves, it can be a model of sustainability.	3.5	457
Island community Sense of belonging	3.4	458
Peaceful environment with minimal motorized vehicles	3.4	459
Sable Fish Farm is 24 /365 days a yr. pure noise for nearby rez Noise pollution that was promised in 2014 still not dealt with! Mental health-		
no one should have to listen to that all night long, every single day. Too much. Still too much.	3.4	460
The air quality is usually high, the light pollution is low enough for astrophotography, and the forested areas are breathtaking. The aesthetically pleasing aspects of this place will lead to its destruction due to over development. It will become a suburb.	3.4	461
I love the concept of Preserve and Protect. I believe that it fits with First Nations concepts as I understand them.	3.4	462
I would like to see accurate per capita carbon budget defined for British Columbia. The per capita carbon budget needs to be consistent with the 2015 Paris Agreement. Once communicated, citizens could modify their behaviour.	3.4	463
I love how much preserved land there is on my islandRegional Parks, B.C. Parks, protected Crown Land. I value TREED LAND, not only for beauty and habitat, but for carbon sequestration and oxygenated air.	3.4	464
Population pressure challenges us everywhere. Housing economics have squeezed out all but retirees and the most well-off & more land gets subdivided. Rural sprawl threatens every habitat on Salt Spring. Top priority: concentrate ALL new housing near centre(s): walkability,	-	
bikes & buses & NOT cars!	3.4	465
I value heritage on our island, European and First Nations equally. It's important to share history, learn and support others who've been		
here since time immemorial. We need to value archaeological sites.	3.4	466
The diversity of each one can explore something new at each one	3.4	467
I've lived mainly in Vancouver for most of my life. Throughout the year, but more in the summer, I've come to Hermit Island in west Howe Sound. Hermit Island (13 ha) is more or less in a natural state, except for trails and four houses. It was never logged. I want to preserve that		
wilderness.	3.4	468

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Living in the Trust area is the next thing to living in a park, and that is fine with me even with the high taxes. Because these islands are a		
haven of tranquility and alternative life style for residents but also the thousands of visitors we get here in the summer	3.4	469
Raising awareness of vulnerabilities Lack of attention to at risk areas can bring action too late	3.4	470
Sense of community Year round residents dependent on being able to keep people on the islands through affordable housing.	3.4	471
Creating laws that make sense Sometimes people need to be supported to make good choices in order to do what's best for the		
environment and the place we live in.	3.4	472
I value adequate safe, affordable housing No community members should be driven out by real estate speculation.	3.4	473
Island communities are tolerant, inclusive. People are politically & socially educated, and activists (though not very racially/ethnically		
diverse). Little bigotry against gay/lesbian/trans. Support for Indigenous cultures. Activism for social justice. Thoughtful discussions. Political		
awareness.	3.4	474
It has the potential to mitigate climate change. Our forests and how we do agriculture have a huge potential to mitigate climate change.	3.4	475
Lower carbon foot print starts with our Transportation Electric Ferries, foot passenger boats, Electric carshare on each island for		
visitors/land owners, free transport for goods/service affordability	3.4	476
Affordable housing does not equal density	3.4	477
Aging on the islands is a challenge Support networks	3.4	478
Neighbours that want to keep it that way	3.4	479
That there is an interest in working with Indigenous people to protect their heritage on the islands Our island experience would be richer and		
more ethical if we engage in active communication with our Indigenous neighbors.	3.4	480
weather summers and winters are mild	3.4	481
The community itself. The shared values that lead to activism and advocacy when our islands are threatened e.g. the problem of vessels		
docking in the Salish Sea offshore.	3.4	482
Untreated waste water is negatively impacting our environment	3.4	483
Our waterfront beach and bank eroding	3.4	484

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
That the Trust is a federation of separate islands, joined together by the provincial mandate. The Trust Policy Statement applies to all the		
islands and sets a uniform basis for local land-use decisions	3.4	
Our home Our say	3.4	486
I am not required to lock all my property up and carry keys to get access to them. It is important to minimize Governmental bureaucratic		
control. I like my freedom	3.4	487
Reliable income is especially difficult to find in cities with many people only able to dream of life on an island such as we are blessed with. To		
stay afloat financially on an island takes innovation in employment and elected government committed to listen and support what the		
people decide.	3.4	488
However being close to the ocean does not come without concerns. It seems you cannot travel anywhere without finding a negative impact		
we as humans leave behind.	3.4	489
Islands trust could encourage Ride Sharing on large islands Reduce need for cars purely to go to and from the ferry	3.4	490
I really love living in the gulf islands. I've spent my whole life here, and I couldn't imagine my life somewhere else. We have access to coastal		
shores, parkland, and great food! I love swimming during the summer and catching moon jellies.	3.4	491
Independence Ability to create a living environment on my property thyat reflects my needs and philosophy	3.4	492
Preserve & Protect Mandate The mandate of the IT represents a unique opportunity for a local government to honour the health of the		
environment above economic interests	3.4	493
Rural, low density population Less impact on nature	3.4	494
Herring fishery - concern it is dying	3.4	495
I value the beauty, quietness and size of our community I've read somewhere that a population of 10,000 or less is considered a balanced		
community. There's a range of workers and mix in population.	3.4	496
wild not overly developed, space	3.4	497
Action on improving water resources.	3.4	498
I value a place where I can call home and where my family can grow safely in a tight knit community	3.4	499
The incredible natural beauty. The Salish Sea is a region of unique natural beauty that must be protected and preserved. Any development		
within the area must be sympathetic.	3.4	500
I appreciate my community more and more as the days go by. I have a strong sense of community and many people support my daily living		
here.	3.4	501

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Public docks and other marine spaces However, we should improve the dock at Miners Bay and other locations around the islands. Some		
people find they don't feel safe on some of the docks.	3.4	502
Active transportation We need roads build for cyclists as well as cars.	3.4	503
I value the Trust as a representative public body safeguarding shared as against private interests especially on development issues. It's important that big money should not dominate the way that the islands' economy and fragile environment develop (and are developed). I value the quiet rural atmosphere This fits my personality	3.4 3.4	504 505
diversity of interests whatever you are into, your tribe is here (on SSI at least)	3.3	506
I'm concerned that too many people are using the resources of the islands and this will negatively impact wildlife. There are too many	3.3	300
pressures on nature and restrictions need to be put in place to preserve and protect them.	3.3	507
Decisions get made without First Nations input It was their homeland	3.3	508
Although it can be difficult to clearly differentiate between IT and CRD I believe that it holds the best possibilities stewardship of the area.	5.5	
This is our best chance for human survival within our ecosystem.	3.3	509
My privacy and freedom of choice is most important to me. Those are my values	3.3	510
It's safe. Nothing like a moat to keep the bandits out. Aside from the home grown ones.	3.3	511
The only parts of the trust policy statement that really matter are those that are directives and are required. I hope you do not weaken		
4.4.2. Directives assure that protection is given. 4.4.2 protects scare water resources.	3.3	512
Affordable livable spaces are a necessity across the country-lets create a non urban solution to this issue on our Islands As a rural geographically isolated area we must create solutions like tiny home villages with echo facilities and water catchment for minimal impacts Green area, not overpopulated Ferry service will not accommodate any more visitors and there is not a proper infrastructure in place to	3.3	513
handle population increase	3.3	514
It is imperative for IT to base itsOCPs and LUBs through the lens of the coastal Douglas fir protection framework;	3.3	515
Businesses are either grouped together or designed well Attractive, unlike highway sprawl of the Duncan area of Vancouver Island Covenanted forest lands Protecting forests for future generations	3.3	516 517

What do you value about the Trust Area?	overall (people	Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
For the IT mandate to have true meaning it must be able to regulate through legislation forestry activity, lot coverage, vegetation removal,		
dwelling Size, and permeable surface amount.	3.3	518
I think by having a group of Islands that have a shared vision and some power to control the land uses on the Island is helpful some of the		
time. The very small islands would have very little power and infrastructure to do good land management without belonging to a larger		
group	3.3	519
Although I have briefly visited many of the islands in the trust in my long life, I don't have a good sense of their diversity and particular		
issues. I'm glad that a body like the Islands Trust unites this diversity and I hope that it protects it from the rampant growth we see		
everywhere else.	3.3	520
I value elected officials who actively support the values I have noted above. We are going to need bold leaders prepared to further		
environmental values in a time of growing climate chaos.	3.3	521
There is always a strong force to try and profit at any cost (not just in the Trust Area); profit and development are not everything People see		
this area as a resource to develop and make money from, and that should not be the goal of being here.	3.3	522
Hummingbirds are year round on Pender Need to monitor changes on existing natural resources because of climate change.	3.3	523
I do not like seeing old, decrepid and abandoned boats washed up on shore (Port Browning). They sit on the beach for months and nobody		
does anything. Action needs to be taken right away to get rid of the boats as soon as they hit the beach and stop the damage to the beach		
and the view that results	3.3	524
Provincial-level action may be needed for a true "update" of rules/regulations and an OCP that will Preserve and Protect. Reforms needed		
include: (1) HomePlate style housing: walkable, w/shared spaces & gardens and near transport. (2) Reform Agricultural Land Act to allow		
worker housing!!	3.3	525
Red cedars are dying moisture deficit and rainfall pattern	3.3	526
Ferry's make it a gated community It is more difficult for people looking for theft opportunities	3.3	527
I value the community connection on our island Many families & individuals have been leaving b/c they cannot locate permanent &		
affordable homes for themselves. We are losing our diverse community.	3.3	528
I value reconciliation initiatives on the islands and Indigenous history, culture, and influence Justice! And indigenous cultures have many		
wise, sophisticated, and beautiful things to teach settler cultures.	3.3	529

What do you value about the Trust Area?	overall (people	Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
It establishes a common funding capacity with property taxes the same on each island. It allows a fair sharing of budgeted financial resources		
across the whole Trust area.	3.3	530
The ocean I was born and raised in Nanaimo and have a deep connection to the ocean and the area from Ruxton to Newcastle Island. We		
own on Mudge and Ruxton	3.3	531
potential livable way be with nature.	3.3	532
Being truly connected with neighbors, buying locally produced food and goods. Living more simply and reducing our impact is important for		
our wellbeing as well as that of the planet.	3.3	533
We need to allow suites in homes on acreages which have wells and septic systems that comply with standards This would provide		
affordable housing without increasing the # of buildings that may cause demand for small lot subdivision or multifamily dwellings	3.3	534
The population continues to grow and newcomers may want more development. Realtors and chambers of commerce encourage growth		
The policy statement must ensure that "amenities" means natural features, not community benefits	3.3	535
And further, regarding our behaviour, we will have to 'bend' to the will (as it were) of the principles and processes of the ecosystem-writ-		
large. For humanity, as a consequence, without ceceding to naieveté, there (would) will be turmultuous times ahead for the human species		
in the course of	3.3	536
Safe rural community It's sad that rude, aggressive bylaw enforcement is ruining things. The shutting down of our garbage service against		
community wishes was offensive,	3.3	537
Can't attract young people - no economy, no housing	3.3	538
The Islands Trust must keep realistic, keep in perspective that our situation exist in other parts of the world. No need to reinvent the wheel.		
History repeat itself. Lets take advantage of other people/culture experiences.	3.3	539
Value the accessibility to and from the island via BC Ferries We are able to travel on ferry to and from Gabriola and I can live on an island and		
work in the city. I know I am privileged.	3.3	540
Access to the environment Protection of the environment	3.3	541
I enjoy living here for half the year for so many reasons, but especially the people! Everyone is friendly and approachable, people live on the		
island because they like the outdoors - exploring beaches and mountains, or hosting a farm.	3.3	542

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
I enjoy living on an island who supports families. Families are able to connect with others, however, many people are being forced to leave.		
But, the don't want to. They want to live here full time and build a community with one another. Why can't more families stay? Why do they		
keep leaving?	3.3	543
I value the sense of independence and the feeling of a less regulated society and freedom, to a limited extend, to pursue my own interests.	3.3	544
Many hard working, community contributing people are leaving the island because they can't afford to rent or own land on the island. We		
are losing a lot of trades people who's skills are being felt through out the community. We are bringing lots of off island tradespeople.	3.3	545
Saturna has been my sanctuary since the mid-60s. I value conservation and the absence of growth and development. I value submitting		
myself to nature. The more we sever our ties to nature, the less well we all become. A walk on the beach or in the woods isn't just pleasant.		
It's health, sustenance.	3.3	546
Slow growth, except for high density area in Northern part of island for lower cost housing including apartments/condos We need to slow		
our development down to continue to protect the island!	3.3	547
Natural beauty Preservation of our Health and the health of the planet	3.3	548
I enjoy being able to build on and improve our property Having activities one enjoys is important	3.3	549
I feel privileged to live and work on the islands The place we call home is beautify for it's natural world along with the community members		
who live in them	3.3	550
Inter-island initiatives It would be great to improve modes of inter-island transportation between the islands. We are all friends and family,		
but very little is communicated.	3.3	551
The natural rain coast habitat Good for the soul, a barometer for the entire planet	3.3	552
We need to mandate water preservation in bylaws and building code. We need to prevent deforestation on public and private land. Without		
IT action on water and forest preservation there will be devastating long term consequences	3.3	553
Proximity to major urban centres Life on an island can at time be less than fulfilling	3.2	554
there are already too many people moving here ,cashing out from elsewhere people move here with the expectation of "urban" srvices-not		
understanding our rural nature	3.2	555

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Artificial Reef programs were a key component in developing and enhancing a combination of dive tourism and providing habitat for marine		
life. Dive / Marine tourism provides first hand experiences to some that will become life time advocates.	3.2	556
RECONCILIATION - Acknowledge aboriginal title in Trust-Imperative to open up dialogue between settler culture and disenfranchised		
indigenous groups Start a Trust fund to increase lands set aside for reserves- repatriate land close to reserves which come up for sale for		
indigenous stakeholders	3.2	557
Indigenous peoples have lived here for millennia Settlers have an opportunity to work toward reconciliation	3.2	558
Marine protection redirect water from riparian system	3.2	559
Recreational fishing Very little fish is taken by local fishers. We take what we need and use it just like the indigenous people Tourism is negatively impacting the island as it is making housing hard to find. Tourism/AirBNB is lowering the rental market availability.	3.2	560 561
Being able to go and leave the island using BC Ferries I feel that our ferry service has been reduced, and Islands Trust representative isn't	5.2	55-
advocating on our behalf. Increase ferry runs!	3.2	562
Naturalist natural changes in nature which can be removed/changed due to climate	3.2	563
People on Galiano are trying hard to do something about climate change	3.2	564
We own private waterfront property here. This land has very significant meaning to our family. So far no Bitchumen oil spills effecting our waterfront property. This is a real concern. We pay far too much money for Islands Trust on property tax We're effected by tourism on the island and can't manage the increase	3.2 3.2	565 566
Changing Climate, real concerns of loss of our waterfront area and land.	3.2	567
Changing Chimate, real concerns of 1033 of our watermont area and land.	3.2	307
I value the trust getting out of my life as much as possible. I do not want them to micromanage my life in order to further their agenda.	3.2	568
Need to protect waterfront visible by boat and remove fish farms from our ocean . need a seal cull to protect chinook stocks in the georgia		
straight to protect the resource for future genertions.	3.2	569
Being part of the mandate to preserve and protect this beautiful area. Same as the question above.	3.2	570

What do you value about the Trust Area?	overall (people	Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
I value reasonable controls applied equitably to all. That is the proper way to live. However in the trust area it seems the ends justify the		
means resulting in extorting land from large property owners.	3.2	571
Availability of the Internet - accessibility	3.2	572
Diverse communities with an abundance of committees gives islanders an outlet for spare time, often resulting in a a real sense of		
ownership of issues People often get so deeply involved in 'the issue', they feel entitled to just say no because they can. They let personal		
feelings dictate reactions.	3.2	573
I value our safe, quiet communities. However, we have a growing homeless population downtown Salt Spring. We've witnessed aggressive		
behavior from some of the people. We require on island facilities, as the RCMP are chronically under staffed and 75% of the issues seem to		
stem from mental health.	3.2	574
I value the intention and the mandate of the Islands Trust. I understand that protecting nature involves guiding the way that people live		
through zoning and the OCP.	3.2	575
We love having a part-time community on Saturna. We appreciate the protected areas and parkland, community connection and community		
involvement. We enjoy the rural area and control of development and growth. We purchased our property because of what the policy		
statement has achieved through out	3.2	576
Forest preservation is a climate change priority. We need to build forest policy around tree cutting, and CRD Ecosystem preservation.	3.2	577
Management of forests ecosystems	3.2	578
Preservation of a quiet, rural lifestyle which everyone should have an opportunity to experience. Leave outdoor parties and noise behind in		
the city. Protecting the quiet & natural qualities of the islands. being able to listen to the wind, watch the stars, observe wildlife. Protect		
large lot zones.	3.2	579
Should share weather station data from all of the public schools in the islands Storm warnings that are more local	3.2	580
I love and appreciate the biodiversity; however, we seems to continue to hurt and destory the flora and flauna on the islands. Most islands		
believe we "own" the island, therefore we can do what we want to it. Thankfully for Islands Trust that helped reduce that mentality. We		
need to do better though	3.2	581
I value living in a quiet community surrounded by nature, but close to the city where I can commute to work	3.2	582
I value the absence of development both industrial and residential in a beautiful natural surrounding of islands and sea.	3.2	583

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Penalty fees It is NOT acceptable that anyone can walk onto someone's property and fine them, they must prove the just cause first and		
then send a warning letter.	3.2	584
Value promity to Victoria and Vancouver.	3.2	585
Existing services on our island It would be great to know where our garbage will be collected or not.	3.2	586
calm the people are prepared	3.2	587
I value the considerable amount of parkland and natural areas that exist within the Islands Trust Area. Experiencing natural areas are a vital		
part of my well being and healthy lifestyle.	3.2	588
Close proximity to city Easy to get away to	3.1	589
too many part-time residents with little commitment to "Community" our "commons" is being destroyed	3.1	590
Anyone who says "low-cost housing is not an Islands Trust issue" should NOT be holding the sacred office of Trustee. They should reconsider		
their irresponsible and/or lazy approach to public policy.	3.1	591
Control of lobbyists that do not reside on the islands Perfect example: sanctuary zone imposed on Pender Island and Saturna Island. There		
were no whales in the sanctuary zone until late August 2019.	3.1	592
It is not possible to protect the islands if the bylaws are not enforced. More money should be spent on taking long time violators to court.		
Because of lax enforcement violations are rife over the island.	3.1	593
For me, the mandate of the Islands Trust must include the preservation of a certain alternative way of life as well as protection of nature. If the goal were merely to guard nature against human intrusion, the ideal would be a Trust area that is pure parkland with no inhabitants. Reducing carbon intensive transportation methods I want to invest in electric charging stations and community bus systems and improving	3.1	594
hitch hiking advertisement.	3.1	595
I don't understand the role and justification for the Islands Trust Area in the present day well enough to identify what I might value about it. I		
would like to hear a clear, contemporary justification for the Islands Trust.	3.1	596
That it has a special authority to manage land use only through provincial legislation. Because it is is not pressured to balance land use with		
the delivery of community services, unlike a municipality.	3.1	597
Living in the natural forest ecosystem The Trust area is worthy of having been declared a park	3.1	598
We are at the beginning of reconciliation	3.1	599
Need to place to replace red cedars inter-plant between dead trees	3.1	600

What do you value about the Trust Area?	overall (people	Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Should have a shared rainwater catchment in order to get a building permit. Occupancy granted without a permit being in place.	3.1	601
Third-generation Seasonal Residents My family has been summering on Denman since the mid 1980's	3.1	602
In an island community it's easy to be involved in meetings, volunteer, have your voice heard, to feel you make a difference where you live. Delphi Technique: Used to gain community consensus for pre-determined outcome. People under impression their input affects results		
when it does not.	3.1	603
There seems to be no consideration of reducing staff in the light of the overlapping workscope (with CRD). Taxes go up and up for no good		
reason. Plans expand for no good reason.	3.1	604
I feel free there. There is no government telling me what to do.	3.1	605
As many people as possible should have access	3.1	606
Please consider a review of workscope and staffing levels. Taxes should be lowered.	3.1	607
I value the rare ecosystem we all live and appreciate We live in the Trust Area and we need to continue to protect the waters and lands in a		
range of ways.	3.1	608
Limited subdivision Less impact on services and nature	3.1	609
The Coastal Douglas-fir forests CDF forests are rare and endangered and 25% of their remaining extent grow within the Islands Trust Area.	3.1	610
Commitment of IT to reconciliation Recent efforts have illustrated that the IT is "walking the talk" when it comes to reconciliation		
something the provincial gov't has yet to do	3.1	611
Islands Trust has expanded beyond the original brief.	3.1	612
Concentrating village population increasing density	3.1	613
Future development should concentrate on existing urban areas. Population density in the islands should not groe Allowing extensive		
residential development would stress the water supply.	3.1	614
Population build-out reduced due to establishment of the National Park lands	3.1	615
Reduce our own carbon footprint through energy use How do I reduce my own electricity or water? Where do they come from?	3.1	616
The IT does not manage the area well your focus is on nature, not on people	3.1	617

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Each Island is a unique and rural community It's sad the Trust is taking the 'Preserve and Protect' mandate to the extreme. Harassing our		
garbage service into shutting down was utter stupidity.	3.1	618
Short Term Property Rentals Allow people to make an income on a limited income Island, full-time or part-time living, don't discriminate	3.1	619
I enjoy tourism on our island and STVR However, we need consistent regulations regarding STVR and B&B that support conservation of		
potable water.	3.1	620
I also deeply value the lack of light pollution at night and appreciate being able to enjoy the night sky. Seeing the stars and other planets are		
part of the experience I value in my life.	3.1	621
Council members need to be held accountable for projects on there own land that go against island trust rules in first place. Have heard of or seen to many back door dealings with local council members to have any faith in current Island trust council members. New blood!	2	622
they arent trusted by the people who live here to support our community.	2	623
Need to zone for affordable housing and streamline process.	2	624
Bring down the costs of Islands Trust on private land property taxes. We are taxed highly to be directed all the practical, basic things we can't do on private property and yet we are not protected from future bitchumen oil spills from passing tankers nor future high waters of	3	024
climate change.	3	625
Productive fisheries Part of the web of life	3	626
Recreational fishing This brings badly needed revenue to the islands and supports current available hospitality businesses	3	627
Proof of rental problems Where is the research to prove to people that we need rental spaces on our island? Why are we putting so much		
energy into this project?	3	628
New Community Plan designation FR Forest Residential At least state the intention in the Community Plan even if powerless to enforce.	3	629
The Islands Trust was easy to work with getting the architectural plans I designed permitted. easybuildingplans.com The project was able to	_	
move forward quickly	3	630
Get away from a checklist	3	631
Tasked simply with land use management it has expanded into irrelevant side activities with a tax spend vastly outstripping inflation.	3	632

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
I recall BC Tel coming to change out our wooden crank phone for a new dial phone. Listening in on the party line was a way to be informed!		
Historically, new trends have come to the islands later than other parts of the country. It's part of what makes this a good place to raise kids.	3	633
A lot of these side activities duplicate work done by other areas of government e.g. CRD. This is a sad waste of tax payers' money.	3	634
Change focus of questionnaire. I value clear views away from awaiting cargo ships and other industrial boats There was no consultation with community members about	3	635
anchoring large vessels off the gulf islands, why weren't we involved?	3	636
Individual Community Plans for each island to identify the unique features of each re: development, access, services, lot sizes & what is sustainable Islands Trust staffing & local reps are much more responsive & a better planning tool for local issues than governance by other		
levels govt.	3	637
Reduced sound pollution	3	638
We live on an island and we have access to a crown corporation ferry. We have three different ferries to come and go from the island. I value anywhere, where we are able to open the door and the dog goes out and comes back when called.	3	639 640
Less consumer commerce Allows communities to be unique rather than homologous as the rest of society.	3	641
The theory of the planet being at risk sure represents some consideration. Also existed precedent critical period in the environmental changes. Can we predict Mother Nature or prevent it to take it course. Starting to teach values within family setting maybe a better action plan.	3	642
slands Trust is the only serious, if not the best social institution we have at this time for peeking into the 'reality-coming' and trying to raise our collective awareness of its dark side if not attending to its wellbeing hereforward. Though, arguably, Islands Trust does not (yet), understandabl	3	643
I value the mandate To serve and protect means that we give attention to our environment. A voice to the land the water and the air and how we respect all this.	3	644
The Islands Trust and the Canadian society has to move forward. All cultures are part of the CDN Society, decision must be made in all consideration. Decision should reflect a worldly future not a sent back in time. Canada was based on multiculturalism; Canadian of all descents contributed to it.	3	645

What do you value about the Trust Area?	overall (people	Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
I appreciate our mighty community & how strong we can be at supporting one another. However, we have so many new people moving to		
the community, so it can be difficult to get to know everyone.	3	646
I value the lower cost of real estate I can enjoy a vacation home without economic concern	3	647
Where is there room for critical comments? This a completely unbalanced survey and so biased toward supporting the IT that meaningful		
results are unlikely	2.9	648
I value my Right To Breathe Clean Air people who choose to burn trees (creating toxic carbon and air pollution=death) rather than value		
them (as they claim) are Part Of The Problem .	2.9	649
Trust Council spends to much time asking other levels of government to protect and not enough time and money using the powers it does have to protect. The whole purpose of the trust is to protect but its actions in that regard are often too weak.	2.9	650
Boaters who visit the islands are dismayed to find that the CRD Government docks are full/overflowing with yearly moorage, some of which		
are derelicts It's important to have dock space for transient and visiting boaters. Annual moorage should be reduced so that at least one		
finger is always open.	2.9	651
Community determined We need more options to shape our own government, but I do appreciate our model of individual governments	2.9	652
People who choose to live need less regulation and lower taxes	2.9	653
Rural feeling anbiance	2.9	654
We need to continue to restrict what people can do on the islands. It can be frustrating as it can help the many, but not the few. Islands		
Trust has teeth, so you need to continue to use them!	2.9	655
Keep rural feeling thru keeping average lot size At 2 1/2 acres	2.9	656
dealing with this challenge. In pedestrian terms, 'we ain't seen nothin' yet'. Islands Trust, at this moment in time, despite the best of intentions, still gives over to human socio-consumptive desires thus still having a disturbing effect on/in the Islands Trust area(s).	2.9	657
Each Island should be permitted, by a 3/4 vote of it's residents, to reject any initiative, policy or by-law of the Islands Trust . The interests of the Islands Trust and its policies may be contrary to the interests and wishes of the residents of a particular island.	2.9	658

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
I appreciate the Islands Trust and all what we do, but I'm on a fixed income & my taxes are getting higher every year. How am I expected to		
keep up? Do we really need to spend 4% of tax payers money to IT as Bowen residents?	2.9	659
I understand the value of Islands Trust as a Bowen resident but, Islands Trust needs to communicate what your doing on the island. Please be present. I've heard word that anti islands trust campaign is being launched, so I would hurry and communicate to your tax payers. Please. Our community of neighbors on Hornby is a delightful mix of sensible, caring, friendly individuals. Hornby attracts exactly our type of	2.9	660
residents. Life is short. Sharing a wonderful island with other like minded nature lovers enriches it.	2.9	661
Sense of community encouraged thru island living Encourages dialogue and respect	2.9	
easily accessible to Vancouver I want to recreate close to where I live	2.9	
First thought would be to replace the majority of the Islands trust council with younger bodies, not folk that will be dead in 10 years. It is important to have both walks of life young and old, not just retired or aging council members with old ways and no vision but there own. There is a lot of corruption with in the islands trust There are a lot greener community's with better economy that don't have the trust	2.8	
This place holds little value to me beyond sentiment. I was raised here, and have memories of a less densely populated place, town is often impassable due to the deluge of tourists that we invited.	2.8	
that they let down the local residents regularly and create an atmosphere of hostility towards them there is little trust in their governance	2.8	
they focus on the wrong things important things, like housing, dont get addressed for many years, causing us to lose long term residents	2.8	668
Perception needs to change regarding air pollution from wood smoke. It is toxic, outdated and extremely harmful to us and the environment. Not "natural".	2.8	
Neighbours who burn wood affect everyone's health, and even those inside their own homes. The right to clean air is everyone's right.		
Particularly Mother Earth.	2.8	670
I do not value taxation without representation	2.8	671
The format of this survey itself limits free expression of input and demonstrates the mindset of "regulation." This is an example of how NOT to conduct a "discussion."	2.8	672

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
air pollution people are burning wood and garbage like there is no climate crisis. This needs "babysitting" bylaws and enforcement.	2.8	673
Too many cars. Cars need to get out of Ganges. We need a parking survey	2.8	674
Shorelines set back from the sea on Galiano need to be looked at.	2.8	675
Our independence from outside influences such as private individuals and government agencies (2.8	676
Dying trees and scrubs We have a few red cedar, a field of sword fern and huckleberry plants dying on our property. We live in a dry part of		
the island.	2.8	677
Can the existing infrastructure support the islands capacity? What does those trends tell us? What's the cost of living on an island? Can we		
be more sulf-sufficent?	2.8	678
I value some of the friends I have made on Mayne Friendships are important	2.8	679
The rural nature of the islands so close to the city. It is what makes the island compelling.	2.8	680
Please save me from the trust. The trust is destroying my enjoyment of my property through micromanagement.	2.7	681
Quality of Air Health kids outside are exposed to toxic PM2.5 from way, way, way too much wood smoke. Phase this out . For Good.	2.7	682
Wood Smoke is The Other Second Hand Smoke. Replace with energy efficient solutions like heat pumps, solar, and proper insulating of dwellings for example . Zero Emissions.	2.7	683
Without enforcement, protection is useless. Heavy fines must be issued for not following the established and new rules and guidelines. The Island Trust must be expanded to include all islands on the east side of Vancouver Island from Wolf Island to Triangle Island.	2.7	684
Fines are not high enough.	2.7	685
Zoning has left us with no value added things	2.7	686
All Gulf Islands should be configured into Municipalities as is the rest of the province. I would happily entrust the care and custody of my	2.7	080
Island to a duly ELECTED municipal council; not some faceless beaurocrats isolated in Victoria!	2.7	687
I once valued the ability to go fishing two or three times a summer. But, due to a thoughless knee jerk law, it has become difficult to do so.	2.7	007
Save the whales yes please. But they spend more only minutes near Pender in a huge archipelago, while the whale watching boats harass		
them all day.	2.7	688

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
I value the weather and I am concerned about Global cooling, not Global warming. I do not believe there is a crisis I enjoy the mild climate	2.7	689
I value the green spaces and park areas and protected areas on the island This is why I moved here from Alberta 15 years ago	2.7	690
Building codes need to enforce chimneys/wood stoves - there was a real reason why new homes were not putting fireplaces inside. All smoke creates carbon and is toxic: wood, pellets, biochar. No such thing as "safe amounts."	2.6	691
That all points of view regarding climate change and inclusiveness is embraced. Science and "beliefs" conflict- creating wood smoke is counter "climate change" and "nature lovers".	2.6	692
The trust is a redundant local government. The taxes to support the trust are wasted. It is important that CRD, RCMP or Island Trust enforce clean air quality. Wood smoke is second hand smoke. Toxic, and not "carbon	2.6	693
neutral" The trust is a waste of money. The national park has satisfied the reason for the trust's creation.	2.6 2.6	
many people appear to value it therefore air pollution right HERE, from wood smoke, the invasive and fire hazards of bloom and general		
water mis use needs bylaw enforcement. Thanks full robust economic, resource based economy	2.6 2.6	
Resistance to change The saturday market is making lower ganges unsafe to navigate, and has for decades. We need a parking lot, and some way to enforce	2.6	698
traffic law, it is incredibly dangerous to have vehicles parked on either side of the highway.	2.5	
Freedom from bureaucracy "local" govt. are responsible for air pollution from wood burning- make the paradigm shift to eliminate the over use of this out dated	2.5	
practice. it is unhealthy for us all Encouraging U. Vic to establish a goodly chunk of an Agricultural degree program on Salt Spring Island	2.5	
Property is a good investment	2.4	703
Closeness to Vancouver I work there	2.4	704
The practice of burning wood needs to be immediately phased out- it is not Green, not healthy, and is anti environmental. Science has proven this. Health of children, wildlife, plants, water systems and the planet are all affected by this out dated unhealthy practice.	2.4	705

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Canada's Salish Sea is a unique part of God's creation. In our fear of bad neighbors we make policies to protect us from others choices. WW2		
Hitler feared Jews, N.America feared enemy sympathizers ,neighbors were destroyed & we're disgraced. Wexit is real, we need neighbors.	2.4	706
We need to get together as a community and dissolve the islands trust. The trust is a waste of money with no purpose	2.3	707
More	2.1	708
Having more dangerous	1.8	709
Question should be " about the Islands Trust" and the answer is NOTHING! The IT constitutes nothing to the well-being of my Island,		
and subtracts value by obstructing the small projects we attempt.	2.7	
Trust hasn't done a goddamn thing, taking our money.	2.5	
Show 'cause' in Policy Statement language.	2.9	
I don't have a third. My general comments above summarize it.	2.6	
I don,t see the Islands Trust as valuable at all. Its work scope is covered by CRD The community plans are in place for each island. All		
regulation can be executed by CRD.	2.7	
The IT needs radical reform or should be disbanded.	3.3	
The plan should be to phase out the Islands Trust. The work is not needed.	2.8	
I love living in the area but deplore our dysfunctional local government. The IT is a big spending bloated bureaucracy.	3.1	
		Comments entered near the end of engagement so
I value the preserve and protect mandate of the Islands Trust and the accessibility of our island trustees to ensure that the diversity of all		not enough ratings to
indigenous living creatures - from forest to ocean floor - is not diminished by increased population & development	3	rank.
		Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to
world class seafood Mari-culture is an important contributor to local economies and a valuable food source.] 3	rank.

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Care for the well-being of our local residents, including adequate and affordable housing. We don't want to morph into a gated community for the wealthy. We need young people and a whole range of demographic groups.		Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
I value how trustees attempt to preserve and protect the natural environment while balancing that with economic activity and development. This balance creates communities that are different from island to island. Diversity of people and lifestyles maintains the local economies of islands	3.1	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
I value the diversity and difference of the Trust area. Small is beautiful.	3.1	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
I value the land-use bylaws promoting and protecting marine life, and terrestrial flora and fauna Diversity of people and lifestyles maintains the local economies of individual islands.		Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
I value the natural beauty and the ruralness of our island. I love the trees, the wild spaces, the birds, plants, fungi, the animals, and the night sky. I love that I can tuck myself away inside all of this.	3.6	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
I value the rural character of the Islands Trust Area, that includes being generally quieter with a slower pace as compared with a large city. This rural character is important to my sense of calm and connection within our community.	3.1	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.

What do you value about the Trust Area?	Star score -	Auto-generated
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	had opportunity	Exchange software
	to rank each	
	other's	
	thoughts 1-5)	
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		the end of engagement so
we think the islands trust is restrictive, negative and is all about saying no check out Peter L's introduction does this look like a warm		not enough ratings to
hearted caring guy that would try to find a yes?	3.6	rank.
		Comments entered near
		the end of engagement so
Community connection among farmers Farmers on the island depend on the connections we have with each other. This interdependence		not enough ratings to
creates resiliency.	3	rank.
		Comments entered near
		the end of engagement so
I value our Official Community Plan and it's bylaws. The Islands Trust mandate of Preserve and Protect should have enforcement		not enough ratings to
capabilities. It is important so that we can regulate growth and protect our natural environment	3.1	rank.
		Comments entered near
		the end of engagement so
Island life is precious, therefore awareness of the fragility and balance between human interface with the natural world should be controlled		not enough ratings to
preserve and protect	3.3	rank.
		Comments entered near
		the end of engagement so
It's a unique part of the world with spectacular environment and special, diverse communities Balancing the environment and community in		not enough ratings to
a sustainable way so that all classes can participate in a healthy community and environment.	3.4	rank.
		Comments entered near
		the end of engagement so
		not enough ratings to
It's geography		rank.

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Our islands need bylaws for protection my concern is more is not always better. The more bylaws there is, the more property rights are diminished. We do not have the right to vote for the majority of the IT members so the Trust is not a democratic govt. Property owners love and protect the land.	2.7	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
Some building restrictions but not enough enforcement With no enforcement, bylaws are nearly meaningless	3	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
The care and concern for our natural environment. So that it will still be much the same for the long term for the benefit of all British Colombians.	3.3	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
limited development more nature than human development	3.1	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
our Island is quite remote and with mostly cottagers and a few full time residents. It is very peaceful and has a relaxing and uncomplicated atmosphere with little outside interference. We deal mostly with the SCRD on municipal topics		Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
As a unique place to live close to nature, especially the Salish Sea and all of the aquatic life. Being able to be on the water quickly and feel like I am really away from it all and still be so close to civilization is what I like the most.		Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
Climate change is a big concern. Oceans rising, Flooding, forest fires. all threaten our environment. A Very large role For the Islands Trust. This should be the Island Trusts no. 1 priority. Now!	3.3	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
Diverse community with young families, working class, artists, farmers, elderly all having a place in a healthy community. We need creative planning to allow for more smaller, lower impact housing that will be affordable to working and creative classes.	3.3	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
I like living among like minded folks on Gabriola because of the unique culture that is present. It is the first place I have ever lived (and I have lived in many places both rural and urban) that I have truly felt I belonged.	3.3	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
Stand up for the herring of the Salish Sea one of the last spawns and it is being decimated before our eyes	3.2	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
The LTC volunteer member who represents our area is our liason with the I slands Trust nothing more and nothing less. Collectively, we the Land Owners have the say as to what occurs on our Island and not the Trust. We would agree to many changes in future if needed.		Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.
We are on the Cusp of making Major Social Decisions Housing Is only one decision. Land change permits must not be difficult The Springwater needs help to beautify!	3	Comments entered near the end of engagement so not enough ratings to rank.

What do you value about the Trust Area?		Auto-generated Ranking by Thought Exchange software
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in these times, have the moxy to really drive changes in human behaviour(s) which would substantially attend to the furture-coming.		the end of engagement so
Notwithstanding this, no question and while this is arguably counterintuitive but absolutely necessary we must decentre ourselves as		not enough ratings to
(the) privileged species.	3.3	rank.
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		the end of engagement so
		not enough ratings to
I think we should encourage sustainable tiny home villages Ecologically compatible with the environment	0	rank.
		Comments entered near
		the end of engagement so
		not enough ratings to
I value the islands as a place for all ages so we can be a strong community supporting each other	0	rank.
		Comments entered near
		the end of engagement so
The Islands Trust is too big an organization to stay on top of with all the meetings and lengthy minutes recorded which makes for a very		not enough ratings to
tiresome read .We need a smaller Islands Trust that works alongside our Land owners and not against them. Let the Islanders be your guide.	0	rank.