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**ELECTION CODE
REVIEW
COMMITTEE**

ESTABLISHMENT AND MANDATE



The Election Code Review Committee (ECRC) was established by Chief and Council in October 2024.



The mandate of the committee is to provide strategic recommendations to Chief and Council on the amendments to the Election Code by supporting community consultations and gathering community input.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Per the Code, the ECRC is composed of **nine members**, as follows:

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| 1) Councillor Willow Walker | - | Chair/Council |
| 2) Brian Jones | - | Co-chair |
| 3) Councillor Marcie Peters | - | Council |
| 4) Alexis Grace | - | CAO |
| 5) Nancy Murphy | - | Band member |
| 6) Brian Forseth | - | Band member |
| 7) James Bobb | - | Band member |
| 8) Doreen McIntyre/Quentin Charlie- | - | Band member |
| 9) Simone Jimmie | - | Enrollment Officer |

JOURNEY SO FAR

- The committee has discussed and identified several issues raised by Band members regarding the current Election Code, including:
 - **Eligibility requirements for Chief and Council**
 - **Council composition**
 - **Length of term for elected leaders**
 - **Nomination and voting processes**
 - **Possibility of fulltime Chief and Council offices**

ENGAGEMENT – PRELIMINARY SURVEY

- **Between October 15th, 2025 to January 18th, 2026, the Committee invited the Sq'ewqel community to share their input on composition and eligibility:**
 - **A total of 117 responses were used**
 - **100 of these were confirmed to be from Band Members, representing 13.4% of Sq'ewqel's total voting population (18+).**

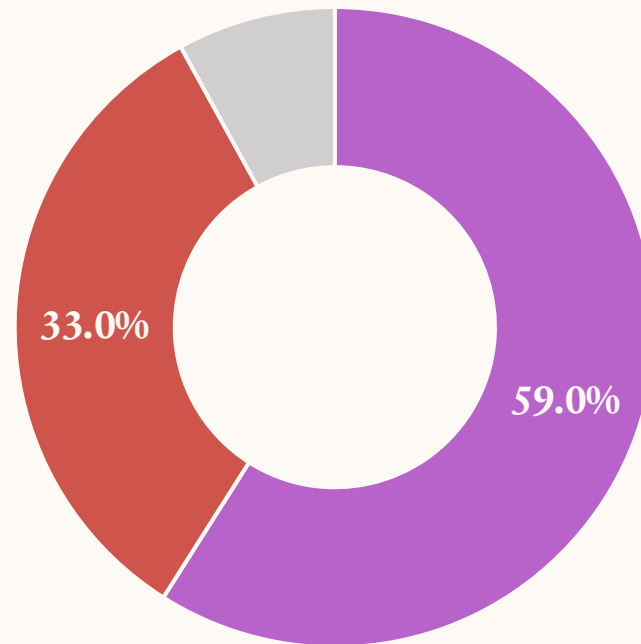
Here are a few key results...

SURVEY RESULTS

Out of the 117 responses...

On what basis should Sq'ewqel's Chief and Council members operate on?

- Full-time basis
- Part-time basis
- N/A



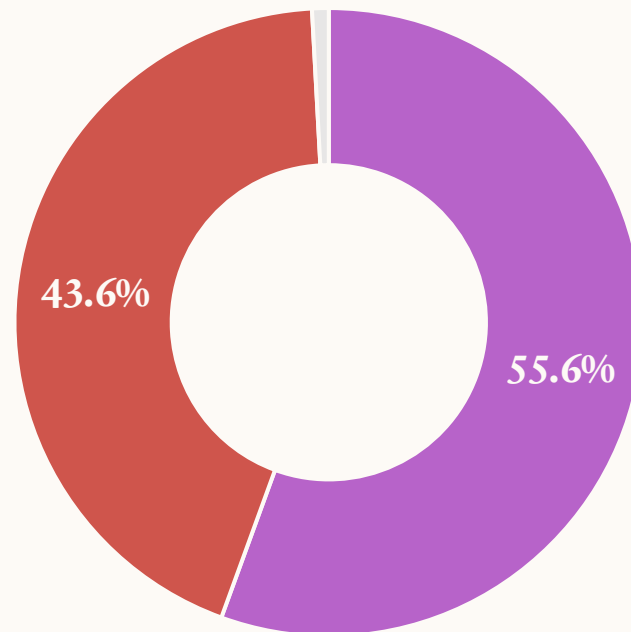
Most (60.7%) suggested that Chief and Council should run on full-time basis.

SURVEY RESULTS (CONTD.)

Out of the 117 responses...

Should an individual be required to have prior experience as a Councilor before being eligible to run for the position of Chief?

- Yes
- No
- N/A



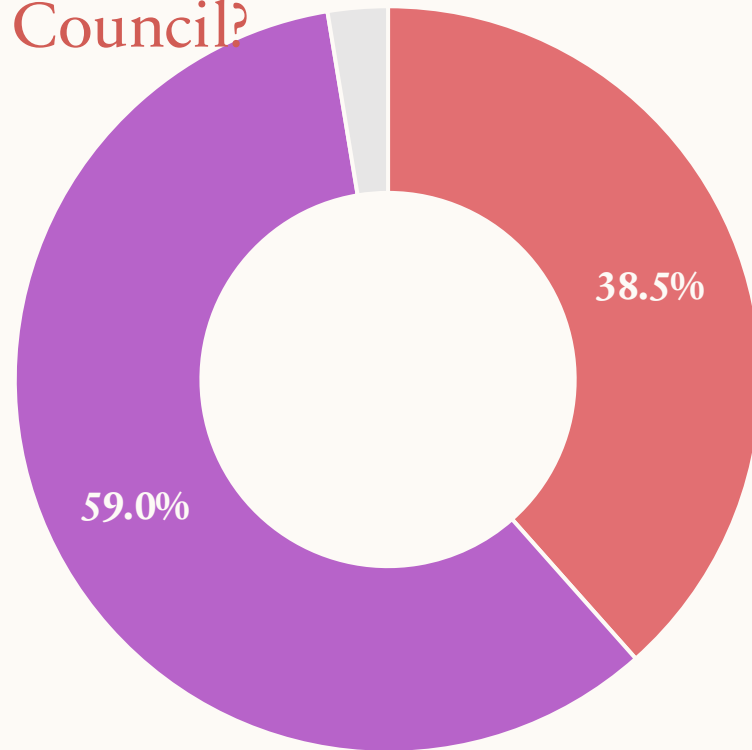
Most (55.6%) said that prior experience as a Councilor should be required to be eligible to run for the position of Chief.

SURVEY RESULTS (CONTD.)

Out of the 117 responses...

What qualifies someone in 'good financial standing' to be eligible to run for Chief and Council?

- Absolutely no debt (0\$) to the Band.
- Some debt to the Band but also has an active repayment agreement that is paid on time.
- N/A

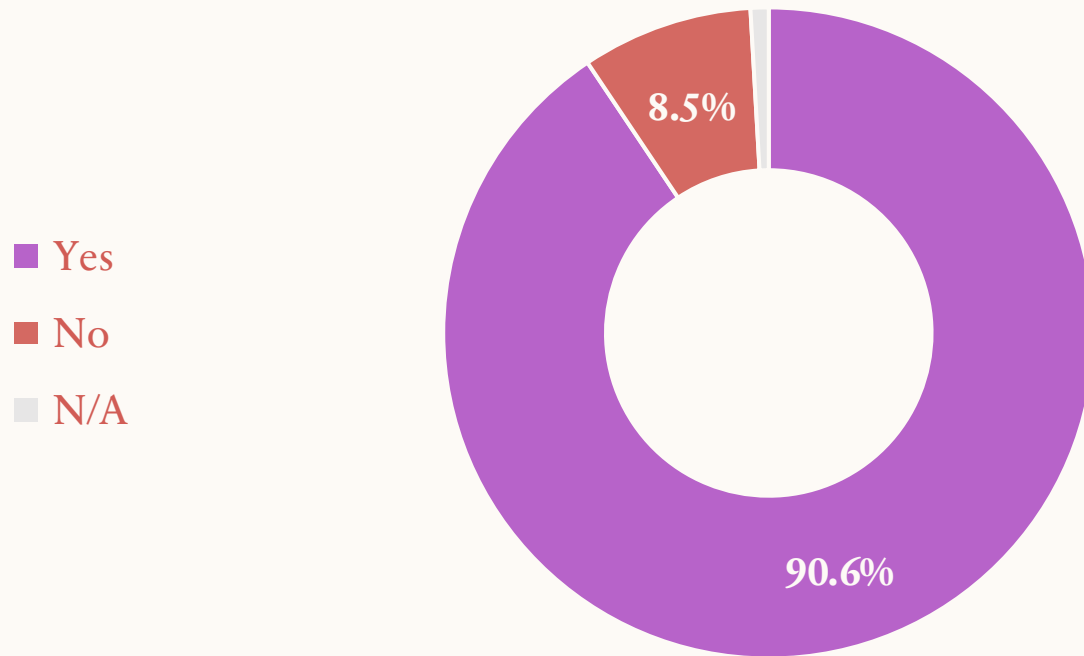


Most (59.0%) described 'financial good standing' as an individual who may have some debt to the Band, but with an active repayment agreement that is paid on time.

SURVEY RESULTS (CONTD.)

Out of the 117 responses...

Should a nominee require a Criminal Record Check to be eligible?



Most (90.6%) said that a nominee should require a criminal record check in order to be eligible for a position on Chief and Council

... with more research to come!

****NEW****

POST-ELECTION SURVEY

- As of today, a post-election survey is now open to gather input on the recently concluded election process.
 - The survey will remain open until May 21st
 - For those who responded, there will be a draw for two grocery gift cards valued at \$100 and \$50

*Please take a few minutes to share
your thoughts!*



MOVING FORWARD

- We have only just begun our engagement journey, and your support, participation and voices are essential.
- Please feel free to come sit with us, ask questions, or simply have a chat.

*Your voice matters in shaping the future of our
Elections!*

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