

## **METCHOSIN RESPONSES**

## Amalgamation Yes Questionnaire 2018 Municipal Election

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- 1. Are you in favour of a <u>citizens' assembly</u> process to look at governance in your community and its relation to the region? Why or why not? Please explain.
- 2. The current Capital Region District Board consists of municipal councillors and mayors who are appointed from the 13 municipalities. By legislation, these municipal appointments are responsible to represent the interests of their home municipalities. Do you think that regional interests would be better served if the entire CRD Board was directly elected by voters region-wide? Why or why not? Please explain.

## METCHOSIN CANDIDATE RESPONSES: (NOTE: Candidates listed in alphabetic order. Mayoral candidates denoted with "M")

Name	Q 1: Supporting the Citizens' Assembly Model?	Q 2: Electing CRD Board by all voters, region-wide?
Darren Brown		
Brian Domney		
Shari Epp		
Norman Hardy		
Andy McKinnon	I'm not in favour of a Citizen's Assembly. I've heard clearly from our citizens that they don't want amalgamation.	I support the existing system. It gives Metchosin a voice at the CRD Board. A region-wide elected Board might not contain anyone to represent the different, distinct rural interests of our municipality.
Jenny Miller		
Marie-Terese Little	As a potential Metchosin District Councillor and Metchosin resident I am not in favour of the citizen's assembly process. However, I am in favour of the democratic process. Metchosin residents have spoken loud and clear and voted over the past 30 years that they want to stick to our District of Metchosin Official Community Plan (OCP); this does not include amalgamation.	No, I do not think that the CRD board should be elected. Appointment process seems to be working well. Why create needless work and spend money where it is not needed or wanted.

	We have a strong, eclectic, educated, and united community in Metchosin who are overwhelmingly interested in:  1. Adhering to our environmental policies including protecting the watercourses and water bodies, riparian wet-lands, marine shorelands, wild life habitat, and heritage sites.  2. Preserving and protecting agricultural land and parks for future generations.  3. Ensuring that the type, intensity, and rate of residential and commercial development is consistent with the rural character of Metchosin.  Given the unique rural and development-restricted community and the wishes of the community, amalgamation is not compatible with our Official Community Plan.	
Kyara Kahakauwila		
John Ranns – M ACCLAIMED		