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Divisions (Question 1 to 5):

- 1) (1) The Townsville City Council, needs to revert to a divisional system ASAP, it is unrepresentive at present . Townsville is one of the very few if any who do not have a divisional system WHY? are we the only one in the batalion in step ? (
- 2) All councils should have adivisional system, especially in the larger towns and cities, otherwise the interests of people in a particular area or areas, can be ignored, townsville is a good example, the old twonsville city area was well run and well maintained until the unification of the two councils the voting system for that election was not based on divisions and as a result the elected council has been progressively assett stripping the well run areas to fund shortcoming in the the northern beachers, and there is bugger all we can do about it under the present unrepresentive system.
- 3)
- 4) No, leaving the decisions with the councill wil only serve to allow the incumbant to suit them selves and deny us the right to have a divisional representitive system, the townsville city council will never supprt a divisional system that how they got in the in the first place .
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Conduct of elections (Question 6 and 7):

- 6) The responsibility should be with the Electroal Commission
- 7) No don't givr them any more options they only abse them, and we suffer

Conduct of elections (Question 8 and 9):

- 8)
- 9)

Candidates - requirements and conduct (Questions 10 to 15):

- 10) Can't comment
- 11) Not really, in larger cities Eg brisbane , townsville etc, the system ahs moved to a political one , with teams based on either the liberal or labor parties even if they don't declare it officially
- 12) Yes
- 13) Yes
- 14) Yes
- 15) No

Candidates - requirements and conduct (Questions 16 to 19):

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Candidates - requirements and conduct (Questions 20 to 24):

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24) yes , they are self serving and annoying.

Voting (Question 25):

25) yes

Voting (Questions 26 to 30):

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Voting (Questions 31 to 35):

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Voting systems (Questions 36 to 38):

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Other (Question 39):

Other) Please redivide the Townsville city into the original two councils and send the bevely hill billies back to Thuringowa along with their unfunded of balance sheet,pre election undeclared debt , which has now been brought on to our balance sheet and seen the rates in the old townsville city sky rocket with subsequent loss of services and unbelievable rate increases to fund the debt. Reduce the number of councillors to around 8 from the present 13 all on 100k minimum plus the mayor, this is gross over representation, and cussy jobs for the rate payers to fund. If you applied the same representation ratio to federal or statre governments we would have thousands of MPS. Sorry to down load all my frustration here but there seems to be no other outlet to get a hearing, in short the amalgamation of the two councils in townsville has been a disaster for the original Townville city area, and without divisional representation there seem to be no prospect of it improving. We used to have division representation In the old Townville City area and have had for many years , it bought cost efective representative

servised to the people, that's just a memory now.