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Divisions (Question 1 to 5):

1) No

2) No

3) Yes

4) No. Townsville City needs divisions so residents have a Councillor that is responsible for their division. As the case is now, no Councillor is responsible and it makes it very difficult to get any kind of response / answer to queries.

5) no

Conduct of elections (Question 6 and 7):

6) Electoral Commission of Queensland should be responsible.

7) No. ECQ should continue to conduct the elections for LG in Queensland to ensure that the elections are absolutely impartial.

Conduct of elections (Question 8 and 9):

8) Yes

9) Nil

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

10) Yes

11) Yes

12) Yes.

13) Yes, you can't represent the residents of an area unless you live there and experience the issues first hand.

14) No

15) No. The Mayor of a city needs to be elected by the residents of that city.

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

16) Yes

17) No, current arrangement is sufficient.

18) Yes.

19) No as long as all details are disclosed within the 15 weeks from the conclusion of the election.

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

20) No

21) No

22) No changes required

23) No.

24) No. In the larger areas of Nth Western Queensland (for instance), most candidates have no chance of door knocking, or meeting their constituents face to face.

Voting (Question 25):

25) Yes

Voting (Questions 26 to 30):

26) No

27) Yes, Rural Sector, Island areas and large remote areas.

28)

29) No. For a voter to place their vote at any polling booth within Queensland would require All polling booths to have an allocation of ballot papers from all districts.

30) No.

Voting (Questions 31 to 35):

31) No only residents.

32) no, only residents.

33) No.

34) No, One Person One Vote.

35) Shouldn't be allowed.

Voting systems (Questions 36 to 38):

36) First-Past-the-post. This system provides a quick answer to the winning candidate.

37) N/A

38)

Other (Question 39):

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