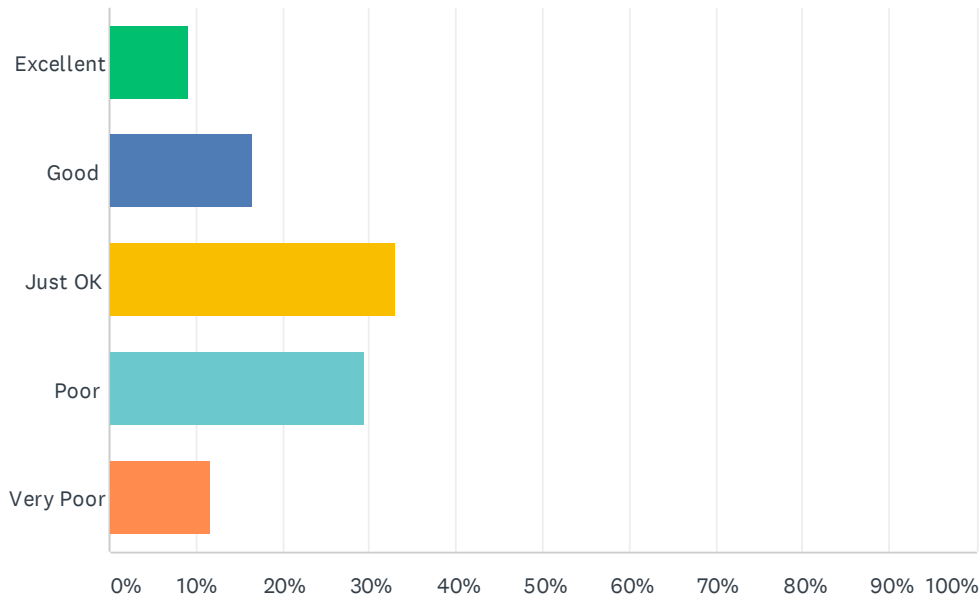


Q2 How would you rate your confidence in the majority of QLDC elected councillors in terms of effectiveness, communication and transparency?

Answered: 381 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	9.19%	35
Good	16.54%	63
Just OK	33.07%	126
Poor	29.40%	112
Very Poor	11.81%	45
TOTAL		381

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#	COMMENT	DATE
1	as community leaders during a time of crisis, most Councillors have been almost invisible - in strong comparison to then Deputy Mayor Simon Hayes leadership during the floods. some have put useful information up on their social media and invited responses and input, which is great. Some might be being helpful behind the scenes, and good on them if so, but not hearing about it as we are of other root-based community leadership and empathy, so thinking it's not happening to any great degree. Some have spoken on social media of the need for a reset and councillor direction/community involvement in setting up the mayor's task forces. But this has not happened, and when questioned why not, no response given. Seems to be a continuation of the pattern seen to date of a majority of passive councillors toeing the mayoral line. They have had no input to either recovery task force or steering group membership or their ToRs. Just like the airport impact assessments. Most are too passive to be useful in a governance or a logistics sense. Apart from Crs Shaw and Gladding, very few ask probing questions at most meetings. Heck, Val couldn't even remember what an amendment was about so she could vote on it! At least she was awake at that meeting. A strong feeling that most councillors feel that Jim's got it under control and they don't want to rock the boat or risk their political capital with him (with the result that they would be sidelined) by suggesting alternatives, asking questions or going against his tide.	5/28/2020 9:16 AM
2	Sent in separately	5/28/2020 8:48 AM
3	There is always a feeling that they are holding back on information, providing just enough but not the whole picture.	5/28/2020 8:17 AM
4	Lack of transparency in the name of progress is not the way any council should do their work. I am all for making progress but when there is a sense of corruption, and there is here, council should work harder to ensure that rates payers are satisfied there is not.	5/28/2020 7:55 AM
5	Again, we are concerned about the transparency of the council and its elected councillors. Also the lack of communication to the rate payers.	5/28/2020 7:26 AM
6	The old ones need to retire. Too many good quality un elected candidates with motivation that didn't get in	5/28/2020 7:23 AM
7	A Facebook post is not working. For your community	5/28/2020 7:08 AM
8	A couple of new shit stirrers who are more interested in self promotion but the core group do a good job	5/28/2020 6:20 AM
9	There are only a small number of councillors who are willing to truly represent the direction that the community wishes. Other councillors have vested interests who place their own agendas ahead of the greater good.	5/28/2020 3:20 AM
10	Most appear to be yes people to Mr Boulton only one or 2 actually say anything and challenge his developer growth sad tone	5/27/2020 11:52 PM
11	Don't trust the leadership at all but think there are some others in there who are great	5/27/2020 10:47 PM
12	Only Quentin, Nikki, Niamh and occasionally Calum have impressed me.	5/27/2020 10:32 PM
13	I cannot find transparency or communication	5/27/2020 10:24 PM
14	Nobody is going to agree all of the time and in hindsight nobody always gets it right but mostly they try to do the right thing	5/27/2020 10:14 PM
15	new ones bring some fresh life, existing really need to wake up	5/27/2020 10:12 PM
16	There are a couple councillors who do an amazing job at keeping the community informed and engaged, plus make themselves available for conversation on a regular basis. We all greatly appreciate this and wish that this was the norm for all councillors. I think we all wish for greater transparency!	5/27/2020 9:59 PM
17	Do the councillors know what QLDC does, who directs who?	5/27/2020 9:52 PM
18	There appears to be very little interaction with the community and the councillors, apart from one or two, appear to be captured by the Mayor, who is choosing to ignore his constituents. This is apparent disrespect by both the mayor and the councillors of the voters.	5/27/2020 9:44 PM
19	Quentin Smith and Niamh Shaw I find excellent.	5/27/2020 9:40 PM
20	I suspect most of the councillors do what their leader, the mayor wants. Excepting, Nicky Gladding.	5/27/2020 9:35 PM
21	Inexperienced & incapable of governing a \$100m business. Populists, little IQ around that table. Has Val Miller found out if there is enough electricity coming through the lines to keep	5/27/2020 9:35 PM

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	people warm yet?	
22	Deplorable performance . Lack of scrutiny of important issues by the MAJORITY of councillors	5/27/2020 9:19 PM
23	Seems to be too many hidden agendas from our councilors and a lack of 'willing' to affect change in the Council	5/27/2020 8:59 PM
24	The lack of leadership shown over the airports agenda has been disappointing.	5/27/2020 8:59 PM
25	There are two groups in council - those who do their best to represent those who elected them & another group who its hard to understand who they represent.	5/27/2020 8:54 PM
26	Boult and McLeod have to go	5/27/2020 8:43 PM
27	Quentin and Niamh and Niki rock, Callum is OK, rest of them suck.	5/27/2020 8:26 PM
28	Councillors who? There is absolutely minimal feedback from counsillors since Alexa Forbes left.	5/27/2020 8:06 PM
29	Probably a majority of Councillors are intending to do a good job but they cant make educated decisions if they are being misled by the mayor and management.	5/27/2020 7:57 PM
30	A few very good. Most seem to be part of the "secret squirrel club"	5/27/2020 6:56 PM
31	Most Councillors appear to lack the fortitude to disagree with the Mayor and CEO. Suspect there is a measure of bullying going on.	5/27/2020 6:55 PM
32	By and large we've had good relationships, and some want to be helpful but seem steam-rolled by some staff and not prepared to really push back.	5/27/2020 6:54 PM
33	Decisions around the airport made in a time of crises.	5/27/2020 6:41 PM
34	Except for Quentin Smith, he's great	5/27/2020 6:39 PM
35	There is a clear 8-2 split amongst councillors with only Niki Gladding and Niamh Shaw engaging with the community. These two are excellent at both bringing important issues to the attention of the community and at representing the community in council meetings. The other 8 councillors seem to be puppets for the mayor, and show contempt towards the community that elected them.	5/27/2020 6:00 PM
36	Dreadful lack of transparency. Ineffective. Not thinking about the community they represent. Not engaged in the community they represent. Blatantly ignore community views and make decisions that do not reflect majority community views. Effective only in making sure the interests of those close to them are catered for.	5/27/2020 5:46 PM
37	Only a tiny minority of councilors reply to inquiries. Councilors mostly shy from consultation on issues with those who are most affected by those issues.	5/27/2020 5:43 PM
38	Based on the Wanaka representatives (and Nikki Gladding). Rest of the council is unknown....	5/27/2020 5:24 PM
39	As per previous comment, officials information requests are slow, delayed or refused	5/27/2020 5:22 PM
40	Too much deference to the advice of officials & far too little robust debate. Too little willingness to ask hard questions.	5/27/2020 4:51 PM
41	Some councillors Seem clueless , some lack detail knowledge and rely on mayor and ceo to make decisions and set direction. Some councillors out of depth	5/27/2020 4:50 PM
42	You hear more from some than others. Would be good to hear each individual councillors thoughts one the response so far and the challenges ahead.	5/27/2020 4:09 PM
43	Mayor and CEO mike Thielan are in each other's pockets	5/27/2020 4:03 PM
44	Haven't heard from them ever	5/27/2020 3:51 PM
45	Do they listen the to the 95% of the locals who want things to change, or the 5% who want things to go straight back to how they were before. Just because that 5% are louder, have more clout and can talk the talk does not mean that they are right. More (tourists, residents and development) does not mean better. Quality of life, protecting our asset and not selling out our environment, our space, our land, our people.	5/27/2020 3:30 PM
46	Some good, some bad. Let down by poor communication from the mayor.	5/27/2020 3:04 PM
47	Believe majority are completing their jobs as the community needs. But see a number of councillors who are pushing their own personally agenda especially on the wanaka side of	5/27/2020 2:59 PM

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	the hill	
48	Val miller and Ferg are particularly hopeless.	5/27/2020 2:59 PM
49	Only two council members have been transparent	5/27/2020 2:10 PM
50	I don't see a vision for change to a post-COVID world among the majority of councillors, or a desire to hold the mayor + CEO team to account. Crs Shaw & Gladding are exceptions	5/27/2020 2:06 PM
51	Does Val Millar do anything? or just sleep through council meetings? (literally)	5/27/2020 1:42 PM
52	Except for Nikki Gadding	5/27/2020 1:28 PM
53	Quentin is good	5/27/2020 1:27 PM
54	It would appear to me that the majority of councillors are weak and conflicted - "yes" people for the mayor and his CEO. There are only 2 or 3 that seem to understand whom they represent and challenge and probe accordingly, long may they survive.	5/27/2020 1:23 PM
55	We only have three Councillors who offer proper transparency and clear logic. Councillors Shaw, Smith and Gladding.	5/27/2020 1:03 PM
56	For representatives of the community you never see or hear from any of them	5/27/2020 1:02 PM
57	There are 3 I have confidence in, Niamh, Quentin & Nikki	5/27/2020 1:02 PM
58	The wanaka based Councillors seem to be doing a good job the rest no	5/27/2020 12:47 PM
59	Feel there are only a few councillors that speak up and question decisions	5/27/2020 12:44 PM
60	Only 2 I feel do well but ham stringed is Nikki Gladding and Neim lady from Wanaka might have name wrong	5/27/2020 12:44 PM
61	There's some good apples in there, but to be honest even by their own admissions, half the time they feel like they have a lack of voice despite being voted in.	5/27/2020 12:36 PM
62	See above	5/27/2020 12:32 PM
63	Only 2 appear honest Nikki Gladding and Niamh Shaw	5/27/2020 12:28 PM
64	They are not listening to the people. They are not listening to (or even respecting) the few councillors who are listening to the people.	5/27/2020 10:56 AM
65	The Mayor is great. Dont really hear from the individual politicians.	5/27/2020 10:50 AM
66	Haven't seen any change in culture since the last election - lack of transparency and lack of representation of the entire district. Qtn centered as always.	5/27/2020 10:47 AM
67	The only time you really see them in action is at Council meetings. On line has been good as can't always get to the actual meetings. Some have a voice others are mute	5/27/2020 10:39 AM
68	There has been nothing but a deafening silence during the COVID crisis from QLDC councillors—a pretty good measure of how they communicate in general.	5/27/2020 10:30 AM
69	Once again we havd a council that promised transparency yet hide behind OIA guidelines so ratepayers can not get the facts of the matter. To many closed door meetings and nood, mood, wink , wink closed door deals going on. Why are the QLDC doing no tender or expression of interest deals with past staff under the guise that they are consultants. We're is the accountability and oversight?	5/27/2020 10:27 AM
70	a few brave , new voices trying to stand up for process and good governance, but they are up against it. Reports back from inside indicate a compliant and non-questioning attitude from many of the old school, acceptance of lack of information and pre-reading material etc for meetings, and a general 'tow the line' attitude towards the mayor.	5/27/2020 9:47 AM
71	The message being pushed to media by council is overwhelmingly Queenstown focused, without following media closely it is easy to feel that non Queenstown areas have little effective representation.	5/27/2020 9:46 AM
72	Half dont live here	5/27/2020 9:29 AM
73	Mixed bag	5/27/2020 9:26 AM
74	There are only about 3 councillors I could put any trust in, the rest seem to be compromised by their own self interests and sycophantic loyalty to our dictator Mayor.	5/27/2020 9:24 AM