

List of questions posed at the community meeting of Whitehorse Jan 19, 2026

LFN 2026 Constitution

1. Questions regarding the mediation offered from SERNAC to deal with the issues between LFN and Lower Post
 - Chief responded – refused help from SERNAC, as they are the ones who caused this issue in the first place
2. Lack of communication to the membership
 - Not enough newsletters sent out
 - Does not seem to be a priority
3. Residency requirements
 - Lots of concerns
 - Some said 3 years in community is too much
 - What about people who need to be absent from community for medical reasons – will this be considered?
 - As of now, the way the Constitution is drafted, it only provides for the exception of education outside of community
 - 3 years in the community gives you a chance to understand the issues and challenges the community deals with and see what is going on, before running for Chief or Council – (explanation provided by a member of the Constitution Committee)
4. Mention of “traditional territory” in the Preamble
 - Perhaps need to be removed to avoid confusion
5. How are members living outside of community such as Whitehorse consulted/involved?
6. Section 5.4 should be redrafted as not clear enough
7. Some members mentioned wanting to vote for the Deputy Chief

8. People asked how much was spent for this process (as they had concerns that the money wasn't spent in other departments such as language)
 - Chief responded about 80K – Constitution process – very expensive
9. Concerns on how the voting data is stored – contact simply voting

What we heard?

- Members want unity (David from LP) – wants LFN to unite with LP
- Others (one in particular) thinks this wont bring unity
- Some members do not want to go to Lower Post because the residential school was there
- How this Constitution is passed matters – the modelling, etc – people want to be more consulted
- Lower Post had many opportunities to be there, and did not attend those meetings
- The 1998 Constitution was never enacted but it was voted on