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Representation by Population without taking into account geographical and cultural differences is a flawed concept. Look at our provincial government. The Province is run by the GTA and they don't understand, nor do they care about rural Ontario.

Similar situations exist here in Prince Edward County. Ameliasburgh has different problems than we have in South Marysburgh and even South Marysburgh is different than North Marysburgh in several ways and definitely different than Picton. We need representation by a Councilor living in each of these Wards.

The problem is not with the number of Councilors but rather the quality. We need men and women who are able to objectively look at a situation not only from their Ward's point of view but The County as a whole. If there is a real problem then try and find a compromise. If a Council cannot work together, then it will be just as dysfunctional with nine members as with sixteen.

I wonder how many residents know or ever contact their Councilors. Do they even need three Councilors in Ameliasburgh.

A smaller Council must have representation from each Ward.

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