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Dear Mr Lam *Stephen*

Public Consultation on Arrangements for Filling Vacancies in the Legislative Council

In response to the captioned public consultation launched in July 2011, the Institute has carried out an opinion survey requesting all its members to advise their preferences on the arrangements for filling vacancies in the Legislative Council.

The Institute is pleased to provide you with the results of our opinion survey. Please find enclosed our written submission with the above opinion survey results for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

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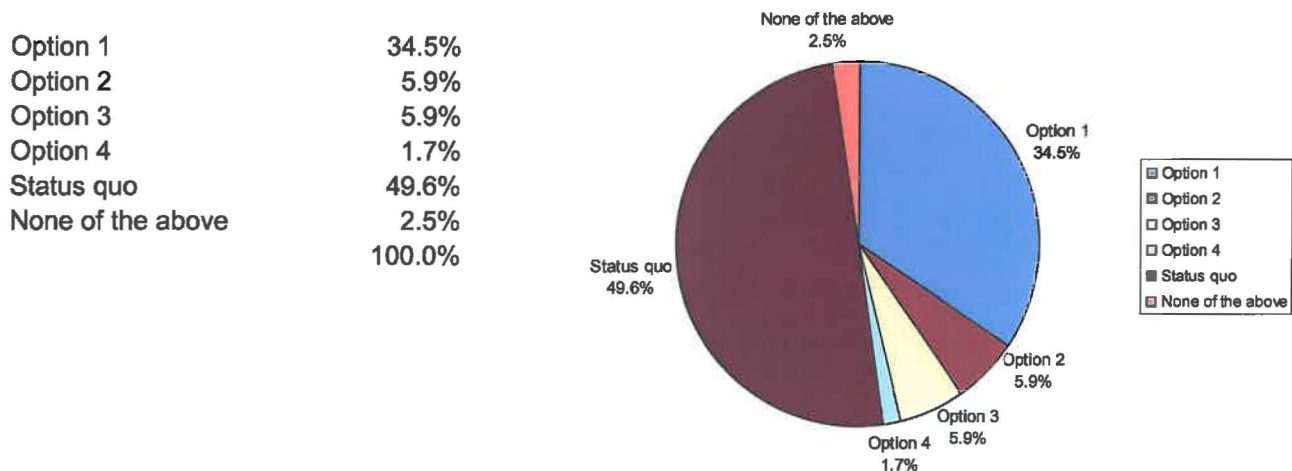
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**Written Submission to Respond to
Public Consultation on Arrangements for Filling Vacancies in the Legislative Council**

In response to the government public consultation on the arrangements for filling vacancies in the Legislative Council, the Hong Kong Institute of Architects has carried out a survey requesting all its members to advise which of the following options would be their preference :

- Option 1 : Restricting resigning Members from participating in any by-election in the same term
- Option 2 : A replacement mechanism using the same candidate list followed by a precedence list system (the Administration's revised proposal)
- Option 3 : A replacement mechanism which does not cover causal vacancies arising from death, serious illness or other involuntary circumstances
- Option 4 : A replacement mechanism using the same candidate list, followed by leaving the seat vacant when the list is exhausted
- Status quo : Replacement using by-election, not restricting resigning members from participation, no legislative amendment is necessary.
- None of the above

Out of a total membership of 3,547 members, the Institute received 238 responses (response rate 6.7%). The responses are as follows :



The majority view at 49.6% from the survey carried out is that they would like the status quo to remain. This means that they consider no change should be made to the current arrangement for filling vacancies in the Legislative Council.