Gerry Wood, Independent Member for Nelson, says that with so many independents standing at the next election then maybe the idea of a consensus Government could be a possibility.

He said a consensus government based on models in Canada could be modelled to suit the Territory.

Gerry said consensus government would allow the best people from all sides of politics to be Ministers instead of picking just from one side only which limits the talent you can pick when there are only 13 or 12 members in Government.

Gerry says consensus government allows all members to participate as a Parliament working to achieve common goals. This would be in contrast to the way Parliament operates these days with a concentration of effort going into negativity instead of striving to achieve positive outcomes by working together as a Parliamentary team.

He says consensus Government still allows alternative views so it is not a love-in as some people suggest.

Gerry says with the instability of the present system it might be an opportune time to try something different and consensus government could be real option.

Attached is the Canada report