



Tobi Elliott is an independent candidate for Local Trustee representing Gabriola, Mudge and DeCourcy Islands. She has lived and worked on Gabriola Island in Snuneymuxw First Nation territory as a documentary filmmaker and advocate for inclusive community approaches to housing since 2012.

Tobi adopts a holistic lens that considers that the health of environment and people as interdependent. Like ecosystems, communities derive their strength from diversity. She advocates for policies that protect and balance all levels of environmental and human needs,

while celebrating Indigenous cultures and Indigenous ways of knowing, and upholding UNDRIP in government and community processes.

Throughout her decade in this community, Tobi has championed an approach of inclusive, adaptive, collaborative decision-making with government and community groups. As chair of the Housing Advisory Planning Commission, Tobi and a dedicated team undertook public consultation on behalf of the Gabriola LTC, helping fulfill its mandate to explore housing options in light of reconciliation, ecological and climate change imperatives. Previously she enlisted educators to teach tiny house building in communities around B.C., culminating in building a demonstration tiny home.

Tobi is completing her Masters in Leadership Studies at Royal Roads University. Her action research project explores how local government and community groups might develop better ways of relating with First Nations. Tobi also sits on the board of the Gabriola Island Land Stewards Society (GILSS), and the Gabriola Co-op Development Network, and serves as the alternate for the Regional Director of the electoral area.