

NEAR Community Polls Experiment

Proposal 1: **Registered Voters**

*The GWG is exploring how to use transparent, on-chain processes, involving a DAO ([example](#)), to gather feedback on key issues through polls / voting. To develop and evolve the governance framework of NEAR Digital Collective (NDC), insights are needed from participants in the NEAR community. This requires identity management **to make sure each person gets only 1 vote**.*

Key Considerations: Temporary Experiment for Polling - Not Representing NDC

- Voting on questions / decisions (non-binding signals) will enable registered members of the community to voice their preferences in a reliable way.
- Conducting activities via on-chain polls / proposals would reflect ecosystem principles.

This document outlines a vision of successful coordination using the [Astro DAO](#) platform.

Objectives for the DAO ~ Learning Together and Building Trust

- **Onboard registered voters / participants as council members in the DAO**
- Drive community engagement for adoption → legitimacy
 - Join with NEAR accounts + profiles (we can provide wallets to new users)
 - Share useful feedback via polls / proposals (use guides on wiki / forum)
 - **Rationale** ~ Make Better Decisions Together

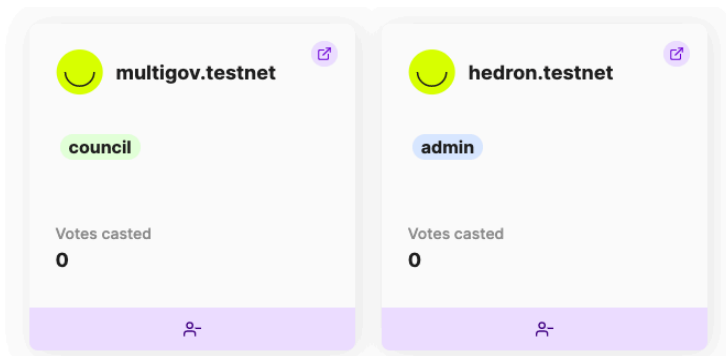
Staying open to feedback increases accountability, which builds trust in the GWG and NDC.

Next Steps ~ Establish “Admin” group members + initial “Council” members

- Finalize initial permissions and create DAO (see example below)
- Establish an off-chain process to add new members ~ forum post, etc.

Testnet Demonstration

You can interact with [“Gov DAO” on Testnet](#) in order to experiment and learn 😊
(only members are allowed to create polls, according to the current permissions)















Role-based Permissions:

Key Details













- “Admins” have restricted permissions, so they can only propose / vote on membership.
- The “Council” of verified members has full permissions.
- Only DAO members (Council + Admins) can submit proposals.

Permissions can be updated based on suggestions.

Creating / Submitting Various Proposal Types

	admin	all	council
 Change DAO config	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
 Change DAO policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
 Bounty	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
 Bounty done	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
 Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
 Polls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
 Remove members	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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 Function call	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
 Upgrade self	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
 Upgrade remote	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Voting on Specific Proposal Types

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Off-chain Registration Process

1. Submit NEAR account ID and other necessary data (e.g. Near Social profile)
 - a. Forum group ([example](#))
 - b. Other ideas?
2. Review by Admin (TBD)
3. Admin proposes + approves new members of Council
4. Share link to Polls (simple interactions with registered voters)
5. Analyze insights gathered from the community 📦

All are welcome to join the [Governance Community Group](#) on Telegram.

Thanks for all your feedback!

Evolving the Membership Criteria

PHASE 0: Decide Admins

→ Necessary in order to create the DAO

- TBD

PHASE 1: 0-100+ Members

→ Criteria / requirements in terms of community involvement

- Admin group is responsible for only approving recognized contributors
 - Minimum forum activity
 - Minimum on-chain activity
 - Near Social profile
 - vSelf aggregation

< *Process of Reassessing the Criteria* >

- *Forum discussion*

PHASE 2: 100-1000+ Members

→ Criteria / requirements in terms of SBT (non-transferable NFT) ownership

PHASE 3: 1000-10000+ Members

→ Criteria / requirements to be determined...

Potential Onboarding Process: Forum Group

Example: <https://gov.near.org/g/CommunityDAO>

Step 1: request membership (template provided ~ see below)

Step 2: group owners (DAO admins) review, propose, and approve qualified members

Step 3: follow-up message via the forum (with a link to the Polls page)

Access

- ☐ Allow users to join the group freely (Requires publicly visible group)
- ☒ Allow users to leave the group freely
- ☒ Allow users to send membership requests to group owners (Requires publicly visible group)

Custom template to display to users when sending a membership request