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Firstly let me happily admit to being a NIMBY as it is evident most residents in Linden Park are and rightly so when what is proposed for the suburb of allowing blocks to be subdivided down to two hundred square metres per property. Already in Linden Park and surrounding suburbs we've seen more than enough of rules being over flexible to accommodate the whims of developers and in some instances home builders where we end up with land being virtually covered in both house and impermeable paving to the extent that in the future will without doubt create flooding, it's quite evident when there is heavy rainfall and storm water systems only too readily overflow. By allowing a block of land where one house sat which allowed its storm water to run out onto the garden and there's certainly plenty of evidence of that in the suburb being subdivided into three or four properties which cover most of the land pour out onto the street is asking for trouble especially in a sloping area such as Linden Park, when the storm water drains are at capacity water sheets across roads as it looks for lower ground – pity those in the future in the lower reaches of Glenside as water swirls around there ankles in their lounge rooms. And for what to stack the suburb full of Chinese a large percentage who won't even live here having become "Australian Citizens" happily living in Shanghai, even those who live here frequently let their property look dreadful with over grown "lawns" and picturesque rubbish bins sitting proudly in the front garden, again there's plenty

of evidence of that happening already it would become a nightmare with 200 SQ blocks.

As I recall all of this nonsense started at the same time as the significant tree legislation was virtually rendered useless to appease developers which has allowed far too many significant trees removed through nothing more than greed – it's cheaper to remove a tree than put in stronger foundations. Unfortunately the Burnside Council sat on its hands and didn't even try to protect these valuable assets and we've seen the result, a good example is where in at least three suburbs Medallion Homes acting for themselves or a developer had acquired large block with gardens having some of their trees on or near the boundary which could have easily been retained totally cleared to have usually three houses built without a hope of creating future shade. As for not allowing councils or residents have a say in what is going to happen in their suburbs reeks of corruption and certainly allows people to come to their own conclusions on what may have transpired to have got to this stage.

Furthermore there seems little point in having numerous councils throughout metropolitan Adelaide, maybe that is the plan, as there is little more than parks and street trees maintenance plus libraries to be supervised all of which can and should be done by competent overseers in amalgamated council areas.

The government needs to ask itself is

Residents of Linden Park DO NOT WISH FOR THESE PROPOSALS TO PROCEED.

Burnside Council DOES NOT WISH FOR THESE PROPOSALS

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Developers DO WISH FOR THESE PROPOSALS TO PROCEED.  
Whose interest does government wish to accommodate –  
there are far more voters in favor of these proposals not  
going ahead than there are of the White Shoe Brigade who  
do.

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