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It is about time that something was done to this code especially in the area of housing development. The greedy nature of councils to shift the problem of lack of money in handling their business to look after their constituents.

What is it they do:

They allow houses in say quarter acre blocks to be demolished & replaced by much smaller housing allotments. I think one can build a house/unit/ dwelling on a block having an area of say 450 square metres, this might mean that you could build up to 4 units especially if they are double story, on a qtr acre or similar block.

If so, then the council would get more rates (say 4 times) being paid by these new tenants.

However the greediness of such actions of councils doesn't stop there, because the council in conjunction with the building code (this is the skirt they hide behind) don't insist that the new tenants have to allow space for one or 2 cars to be housed in a suitable part of the building they move into.

What is the problem in this lack of foresight (or greediness) - The policy of making sure that tenants in these new premises have allocated space for their cars will mean that the council will not be able to get as many housing blocks/unit in the qtr acre block, this means that they won't get the rates as much as they think they need.

However the main problem is that now you see the greediness of the councils in allowing overcrowding in housing units being built. The streets are now choc a block with cars, trucks, trailers, caravans etc

Many streets near where I live, do not allow one to drive down the middle of the road where there are cars parked on both sides of the road without having to make an adjustment, like pulling over to the left where there might be a space to allow a car coming in the opposite direction .

I have a daughter & family in the UK near London, & such roads are almost impassable due to the cars being on both sides of the road. Another problem is that the council trucks in the UK where my daughter have great difficulty in picking up the kerb rubbish bins. In many situations, these extra workers in the council trucks have to follow the truck & pick up bags of rubbish & throw them into the truck.

Unless somebody does something to stop forcing the tenants to park their cars etc in the street, we are going to end up like the tenants in the UK.

I won't start on what other things the council are not doing, the above is enough.

Bye for now,

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