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I am not trying to write the Planning Act but do have a comment to make.

Why is it that when a person constructs an addition to their house without any submission and therefore no approvals and the Council becomes aware of the addition and finds it non compliant in various ways, the action the Council takes is to contact adjoining owners and “asks” if they have any objection to the addition. It appears that if the majority of adjoining owners do not have an objection, the owner is asked to submit plans.

The adjoining owners do not know the rules and regulations of the Planning Act, etc, whereas the Planners are “supposedly trained” in the rules and regulations and are supposed to adhere to them, therefore requiring the owner to alter the structure to comply with the rules and regulations.

I find this a “copout” by the Council and the easy way out.

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