

Letters, continued ...

Dear Ed,

I am not opposed to the development as life must move on, however I am opposed to 300m² blocks, the minimum should be at least half an acre up to five acres as planned.

DARREN SCHMIDTKE

Dear Editor

We are concerned that high density developments will put undue pressure on the environment, especially in relation to waste disposal. The hills lifestyle is not viable on 350 square metre blocks!

DENISE AND GRAHAM SWEETMAN
STONEVILLE

Dear Editor,

"Hills Lifestyle" to my family means more time to spend together. We moved from Ellenbrook eighteen months ago to get away from the busy and noisy lifestyle, now we find that there will be a "mini Ellenbrook" 500m away from us - so why did we spend all this money for peace & quiet?

NATALIE PRATT
STONEVILLE

Dear Sir

This council seems hell bent on more development, more residents and therefore more shire rates.

To liken residents of this shire to terrorists because they are telling the truth about the expected population explosion and all the problems that will come with it I find quite disgusting.

MIKE ORUM
MUNDARING.

Dear Sir,

For those who have ever lived in a city or suburban environment, the hills represent a genuine escape to a location which offers the pleasures of rural life without being too remote from modern conveniences.

The process of parcelling up large tracts of land to create suburbia in arcadia will destroy what we now have, and take away one of Perth's most distinctive features and amenities.

If the planned development goes ahead, the hills will be reduced to the lowest common residential denominator, and negate everything which the community came here for and works so hard to maintain.

MALCOLM ORR,
GIDGEGANNUP

Dear Sir

Can Mr Beaton assure those with concerns that the proposed high density developments will not see the hills losing their unique character and thus, their desirability as a place to live?

M. MILLER

Dear Editor

To Mr. John Beaton I say this. I would like you to be relocated to a 350 square metre block and be set cheek by jowl next to neighbours who have dogs. These dogs are large and bark at inconvenient times.

Now, John please tell us what the Hills lifestyle means now?

JOHN M. BOYLE
STONEVILLE

Dear Sir:

Our house overlooks a beautiful valley and hill, both of which are a mixture of pasture and bush.

The trees and pasture will all go and will be replaced by houses. If the land was subdivided into five acre blocks, this would be in keeping with the surrounding properties.

Things that will change: about an additional 5000 cars on our road daily; our view will be destroyed; our property value will plummet; pollution, litter, erosion will increase; crime will increase. Our country "hills lifestyle" will be forever degraded.

ANDREW BROWNELL
PARKERVILLE

Dear Sir:

The council will prosper with all the extra rates coming in but what will we get in return? High crime, extra traffic on poor roads, a greater demand on our already stretched medical facilities, extra pollution in the already delicate eco system and the list goes on. If we wanted 300sq/mtr blocks we would move to East Perth or Subiaco.

JANE AND KIERAN WRIGHT
STONEVILLE

Dear Sir:

John Beaton obviously doesn't live anywhere in this area or he wouldn't be so keen to have thousands of extra cars, thousands more people crowding the shops and doctors' surgery, a higher crime rate and other problems that high density living brings. All he is seeing is the extra rates will bring into the shire office.

We have lived in Stoneville for thirty years. I have 60-70 galahs that come in to be fed every day, a couple of injured crows, two families of possums that come to my back door every night for their fruit, and periodically a family of ducks. I would hate that to disappear.

BARBARA CHRISTENSEN
STONEVILLE

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