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Worry beneficial enterprises will erode /decrease the ability to reform local government boundaries.

If so, no to them. Many local governments (in their current boundaries) do not deserve another mechanism to hide under. They are not viable, and are not efficient in today's modern world.

Worry lead to more money wasting.

I can agree with the argument for Regional local governments, in small towns, large towns, and major regional centres. It is much more difficult for them BECAUSE they are far from Perth metro area. So I agree that they should have ability to have commercial enterprises AND ability to take over enterprises IF the current/previous operators 'have left town'.

Think major land (fact page) should be \$5m. (not \$10m.)

We need six weeks warning at least.

I'd say ten weeks warning is better.

The public doesn't like wheeling and dealing by entrepreneurs with large public land assets.

Those land assets sat for years. You don't expect them to 'disappear in a matter of days' .ie. Less than two weeks.

Salaries for Mayor's should not have continued at their new high levels. When 'reform' was put on hold, the money should have been taken back.

I agree that large local governments of Stirling, Swan, Wanneroo, Joondalup, and City of Perth Lord Mayor should get.

Yet not Bayswater, Belmont, Canning, Gosnells, Armadale, Fremantle.

You are kidding. They are laughing their way to the bank. Some are merely padding out their retirement funds.

The Western Australian public is not getting \$135 500 worth of quality effort (let alone the extra allowances.).

Many persons in State Agencies work ten times harder for \$65 000.

I remind you again, 'public monies'.

Plus \$ paid to Council Members should be slightly decreased. Keep for large LGvts.

Reduce others to ~ no more than \$22 000 per annum. That is roughly 11 months of meetings.

The money is to allow/entice quality candidates to the Council member positions.

Reform of monthly meetings AND agenda papers.

Younger persons. Yes regional Western Australia needs.

This entire consult should be split between metro AND regional Western Australia.

Due to the vast discrepancies.

Plus difficult to comment on metro local governments BECAUSE of the differences across the 33 of them.

Complaints Management.

Failure.

Charter/s have been in place at several local governments. Yet it still has failed.

Not to internal person. Need to Minister and/or Department of Local Government(state agency).

Publicly available Charter.

Ombudsman. Needs more power.

Recently a local government CEO used Year 2018 reasons to excuse their behaviour in 2016. But the limits of the Ombudsman power (\$, time, legislation) meant this is where it seemingly ended.

For those readers who don't understand, there were no Year 2016 excuses, therefore the behaviour was unacceptable by the CEO. Yet the Ombudsman's office won't go further.

Therefore an example of how the State Agency needs its powers strengthened.

Page 4. Victorian – Review Process. Yes that para.

Page 5. See pen.

Plus I have to scan that 'Role of Government' survey set. Still not on website.

No time now to type in.

I'll send all in next few days.

Regards
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