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**INQUIRY INTO DEVELOPMENT OF THE TRANSPORT
ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

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I am extremely concerned that our traditional suburbs and lifestyle are set to be destroyed without any of the below issues being addressed: 1. There is a lot of evidence that there are tens of thousands of properties currently empty long term, many owned by foreign land bankers and speculators. Taxing these properties will not work as for most it will just be a cost of business. These hoarders must be forced to either rent the property out or divest. Furthermore, foreign buying of our residential real estate should be banned immediately as has been done in Canada and NZ. 2. No planning for infrastructure to support a massive population increase. In many of these areas the schools and hospitals are already bursting at the seams. Australians, particularly families, don't want to live in (often poorly built) dog boxes creating wind tunnels and treeless suburbs. To destroy our suburbs when so many homes are sitting empty is criminal.