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I am not in favour of my local council, Leichhardt, amalgamating with other council(s) because

I would lose the close contact that comes with small ward size.

It would be much harder for independents to get elected as the size of the ward would necessitate party backing and hence entrench the party system at local government level.

My council is big enough that any efficiency gain due to increased size would be minimal. In fact the inefficiencies of my Council's staff would probably be worsened.

An argument about reducing the amount of governance in Australia would be better directed towards State Government rather than Local.

Rates may rise as a result of amalgamation with a lower value area.

Regards,
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