Dear Council Members,

I am writing to formally request a **review of the Mid-Western Regional Council’s Smart Community Strategy (2024–2027)** in light of **constitutional law, democratic accountability, and fundamental legal rights** under **Magna Carta 1215 and Common Law principles**. For those of you that may have forgotten or are ignorant of these facts, Australia was founded on English Law and Magna Carta 1215 stands as Our Constitution.

Upon thorough analysis, I have identified several **key issues requiring immediate attention**:

1. **Lack of Democratic Oversight & Public Veto Rights**
   * The strategy implements **AI-driven governance, data analytics, and surveillance technologies** without explicit **community approval or democratic control**.
   * Magna Carta 1215 (Clause 39) guarantees that **no policy affecting rights should be implemented without lawful public judgment**.
2. **Privacy and Surveillance Concerns**
   * Initiatives such as **CCTV in CBD, drones for compliance, pedestrian sensors, and AI-based analytics** raise **serious privacy violations**.
   * **There are no outlined safeguards** against **misuse of collected data, excessive monitoring, or potential rights infringements**.
3. **Public Funds Allocation Without Full Transparency**
   * The strategy commits **significant taxpayer funds** to **technology-driven projects** without **explicit public approval**.
   * Magna Carta 1215 (Clause 12) states that **no taxation or levies can be imposed without the people’s common consent**.
4. **AI-Driven Decision-Making & Legal Concerns**
   * AI and automation **cannot replace human judgment in governance**.
   * **All policy enforcement must remain subject to the lawful judgment of the people, not machine algorithms**.

### ****Action Required:****

To uphold **Democracy, Constitutional Law, and Public Rights**, I formally request that the Council:

1. **Provide written clarification on the democratic process used to approve this strategy.**
2. **Confirm whether residents will have a legally binding veto over AI-based policies and automated governance systems.**
3. **Disclose safeguards against unlawful surveillance, including who has access to collected data and how privacy is protected.**
4. **Ensure that no penalties, automated fees, or resource restrictions will be imposed without lawful due process.**
5. **Allow for public inquiry and legal review of the financial commitments associated with AI-driven governance.**

**Until these matters are resolved, I urge the Council to suspend all AI-based enforcement, surveillance expansion, and data-driven decision-making that could infringe upon Constitutional Rights.**

I await your prompt response on these serious legal concerns.

Sincerely,  
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