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## Hello

I've read your excellent paper and am really pleased to see some of your findings. My two comments relate to Car Parking in Residential areas.

In fairness many house owners with garages (including myself) are unable to use them as car parking spaces as they are too small. Surely, when developers submit plans, there should be a review of the dimensions of any garages to see if it could feasibly accommodate a family car. By simply dismissing garages as non-parking spaces unless they are double sized is, in my view, incorrect. Developers should build garages which are fit for the purpose of storing a car and your regulations should ensure this is defined.

Secondly defining the number of parking spaces based on the number of bedrooms could be open to interpretation by developers. A small third bedroom could easily be defined as an office - though of course "suitable to be used as a bedroom". Such a definition would require only one parking space instead of two. Could this definition not be tightened up?

Kind regards