

## PART 4 - SELF-GOVERNANCE

### A Logical Step Forward

Such a 'Transformation of Society' will, no doubt, happen soon because:

- a) it is urgently needed - for a variety of reasons, such as epidemics, climate change, growing division & social unrest (in both 'The East' and 'The West'), and,
- b) once it is realised that 'there is only one of us here, i.e. One Self', it will be clearly seen that 'Self-Control' must be the next stage in our evolution, i.e. politically, for, given this enhanced perspective, how can there be any permanent 'them and us', rulers and ruled?

### A New Arrangement

But, for this 'cultural metamorphosis' to occur, History has shown that, for its success, it will require the physical constr-

uction of a very different, 'civic framework', in which it can take root & prosper, based, it is suggested, on the following 'progradical', i.e. progressive &, then, more radical, adjustments to the status quo.

### Principal Features

Further to the reforms already taking place, such as the establishment of National 'OWT' Parliaments (and, eventually, one which is Global), increasing charitable donations and the practice of devolution, 'Self-Managed, Intentional Communities' would be constructed, locally, everywhere.

Each of these 'SMICs' would eventually consist of: an administrative 'Centre'; its 'Catchment Area'; responsible-to-it, 'Designated Zones'; the absorption of all property, lying within its borders, into 'Community Registration, Stewardship & Caression'; and, a well organised, classless, egalitarian system of 'Direct Democracy.'

## Re-Settling The Land

Accordingly, a myriad of decentralised 'Hubs of Self-Rule' would emerge out of the current scenario to which 'evolving people' - initially, from urban, overcrowded 'areas of discomfort'? - would be invited & assisted to relocate and into which, via this participative method of decision-making, they could put their own details, in harmony with nature and their 'neighbouring' co-creators.

Then, as these adjacent 'SMICs' take shape - no doubt, using ecological building techniques & materials (often re-cycled), localised manufacturing methods and non-toxic, agricultural ways - they would become interconnected, via 'Clerical Coordinating Councils', into mutually aided, self-sufficient (as far as possible), Regional Networks which would also become horizontally linked, globally.

## 'An Elevated Civilisation'

Hence, the worst aspects of 'our primitive society' would simply fade away and evaporate (such as engaging in violence & warfare; causing damage to the planet and its atmosphere; accepting remote/distant bureaucracies; &, tolerating homelessness, poverty and neglected/congested areas), while humanitarian concerns (e.g. the survival of all with dignity on a level playing field; the restoration of that 'sense of belonging', so missing from today's divisive world; and, the replacement of 'the accumulation of the greatest riches', as the main purpose of Life, 'by the doing of the most good') supersede economic interests.

And so, after a well planned exodus, mainly from the city, to suitable places elsewhere, 'A Sustainable, More Advanced Society' which is 'Non-Authoritarian' (see Part 5) would, in due course, be created!