Sounds very good. I like the idea of XML (or whatever) based toolbars that sent text commands, it's nice clean expansible design.

I disagree on 5 personally, I find it very difficult to read heavily commented code. I want to be reading the code, not what the comments claim it does. And when written properly Upp code needs very few comments, just some hints here and there where something strange is going on.

What would be a real benefit IMO is something like <summary> in VS that lives in the code but can be hidden by TheIde. This would help when you just don't know what a function is supposed to be for.