Dear Dr Boxall,

RE: Review of the Funding Framework for Local Land Services

Council has been receiving regular reports with regards to the implementation of the new Local Land Services model, and generally support the thrust of the proposal. Similarly Council has been receiving reports on the funding framework, and IPART’s review of this.

At their December 2013 Council meeting, Council considered the submission by the Local Land Services Board of Chairs, to IPART, and specifically objected strongly to a number of points in their submission.

Council resolved to

Resolved

1) That Council make a submission on the IPART draft report into the funding framework for Local Land Services by the deadline of 20th December 2013, with the following principles –
   a) That Council objects to Councils being responsible for the collection of LLS rates for land below 2 hectares, unless suitable cost recovery is allowable;
   b) That Council objects to any proposal to make Council (and other public land) subject to LLS rates.

Council rejects the notion that it be responsible for the collection of rates for land below 2 hectares, and objects to the proposal to make Public land subject to LLS rates. Council also supports the submission by REROC, as a member Council of that organisation.

Please contact the undersigned should you have any further enquiries with respect to this matter.

Yours Faithfully

Adrian Butler on behalf of Urana Shire Council.