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Submission:

1. if council has to consult with community - are you then informed of the community's vote which in respect of the proposed rate rise here in Coffs Harbour 67% are totally against the rise

2.our council rates for admin and governance are over 60% higher than average for the whole of nsw , so why have they employed an extra 30 - 50 staff in the last 12 months increasing that cost even more

3.I am totally opposed to the rate rise - we are told to live within our means and yet our council announced in the same issue of the Advocate (local newspaper) although 67% were opposed to rate rise they were not only applying for the extra they were borrowing \$ 2.2 million for stage 1 of the Jetty Foreshore re- development which is not even approved by a majority of the community.

4. our roads are a total disgrace, as fast as a hole in a major thoroughfare develops eventually it is filled with hot mix only which then sticks to cars and quickly develops into a hole again.

5. how can they justify a trip for 4 to Japan at a cost of \$25000 when many more people could be involved via large screen Skype without such wanton waste

6.it's a disgrace that elderly people in my area are having to ride their motorised mobility scooters on the road as there are insufficient footpaths - never mind young mums with children in prams

This submission also represents my elderly parents (living in a nearby street)and my husband and many other rate payers who don't have the skills or means to access the internet