

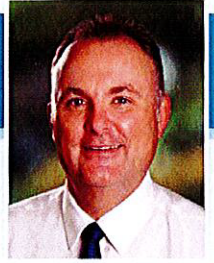


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Dr Paul Paterson  
Chair  
Independent Pricing and Remuneration Tribunal

Via email: [ipart@ipart.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ipart@ipart.nsw.gov.au)

Dear Dr Paterson, *Paul,*

I write on behalf of the Central Coast community regarding Central Coast Council's application for a special rate variation.

I write to express the Central Coast community's strong opposition to the proposed 15 per cent rate rise. As a ratepayer myself, I am furious that our community might be forced to pay for the mistakes and failings of Councillors and Council senior staff.

As you are aware, the NSW Government has no direct control over rates. Special rate variations are determined by Central Coast Council and the Independent Pricing and Remuneration Tribunal (IPART).

As you are also aware, the IPART's decision-making process requires consideration be given to feedback received from ratepayers.

I therefore ask that the IPART account for the community's strong opposition to the proposed 15 per cent rate rise in making a decision on Central Coast Council's application for a special rate variation.

Thank you for your consideration.

With kind regards,

**ADAM CROUCH MP**  
Government Whip  
Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast  
Member for Terrigal

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