



15 December 2016

Local Government Team
The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal
Level 17, 1 Market Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notification of intent to apply for Special Rate Variation – Byron Shire Council

This letter is to advise of the intention of Byron Shire Council to apply for a Special Rate Variation (SRV) to Council's general income commencing 2017/2018 under section 508A of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) as resolved by Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on 15 December 2016 (resolution number 16-657).

Council is intending to apply for an SRV to provide additional funds for the specific purpose of funding additional asset maintenance and renewal programs to reduce Council's significant infrastructure backlog.

Council's SRV discussions have been based upon a range of 7.5% to 12.5% increase per annum, inclusive of rate peg over a four year period, and Council anticipates that its application will fall within that range. Based on the proposed options over a four year period, an increase of 7.5% would reflect a 33.5% total cumulative increase, an increase of 10% would reflect a 46.4% total cumulative increase and an increase of 12.5% would reflect a 60.2% total cumulative increase.

The proposed increase Council intends to apply for is subject to final consultation and confirmation.

If there are any queries concerning Council's intention to apply for a special variation of general income, these can be made to Council's Director Corporate and Community Services, Mr Mark Arnold on (02)

Yours sincerely

Ken Gainger
General Manager

