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28th Feb 2014.



The Secretary
Local Government Team
IPART NSW
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NSW 1230.

Dear Secretary,

Please regard the following as a submission against an application by Kempsey Shire Council for a rate rise.

1. Fourteen letters to the local Editor (appended) and over four thousand signatures collected by a local retired councillor have all been disregarded by Council and the General Manager in the decision to apply for a rate rise.
2. Most letters refer strongly to the Council's operating inefficiency and/or faulty figures provided to ratepayers.
3. A broad cross-section of Macleay residents is represented, including ex-councillors, 3rd generation farmers, university graduates, and local business owners.
4. For some time Council has been approached by residents requesting an animal-proof fence around the airport. These representations have been largely ignored despite Federal finance being available.
5. On Tuesday, 25.2.14 a Moonee aircraft collided with a big kangaroo when landing. Damage is quoted at close to \$200,000. No doubt liability compensation will be claimed from Council.
6. Your consideration of the above points, retired Cr Sowter's four thousand signatures in objection and the details of the appended letters would be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

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Bryan Morrow.