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	4 Frin Walls Wallen						and us members of the community need a say. The 3 minutes during an open forum is not enough. At this point ir time it is our only means of getting our concerns heard. The Administration is NOT working and so many in our community cannot afford the rate increase. As I live in the old Gosford Shire, my rates went up 40% with the harmonisation and rate increase. All of this needs to be considered by IPART, along with the current	in
	We need better services. I come from Wyong and we had no		cosford has paid less rates than wyong but all the money has gone to Gosford as their					140
	Name Name		t wyong has for years and we won't have this problem.	Even with the increase we are less rates than most council's in our area by some way.	I have seen what they have put up for the changes and I am happy.		services. I spend more on my Foxtel than rates and most people spend more on smokes and beer. Give them	No
		The community is aware that Councinsolvent.	ncil mismanaged the funds it provided through rates over many years to the point it became	Effectively doubling rates over 10 years at a level above inflation is not reasonable or affordable for ratepayers.				
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	Council should be tasked with developing an operational plan	that will enable it to generate sufficient Residents are not a bank that you c	can keep going back to and taking more and more funds off after you waste the funds they			Now they are claiming they need to increase them a more than 100% over seven years to address the original		
		rird tier of government can operate 'considers' the feedback from reside council.		THIS IS NOT DEMOCRACY.				No
		, ,		Most of the population on the central coast would be affected by these increases as cost of living has out shone the CPI			organisation to provide for the well being of the coast and community. For some unknown reason we have been rorted by bad and incompetent management. If this was a body corporate it would be sacked/ terminated. Has been difficult in contacting council and they have now changed their account system for rate collection (Nottingham) without any discussion or early promotion to which has now had some in a panic on what needs to change with their auto debit. One failed payment would be 'jumped' on and person(s) penalised for non payment! There is so much that needs to be explained without the threat of reducing services (which are in motion now)	
							Roadside service and insurance. The majority of these overpaid morons also charge Council for private use petrol. EVERYONE should find their own way to and from work and a car pool established. These measures would save money to either pay off their debt or be used for the services that were non existent even before the	No
	This Council got into enormous debt without any explanation a solution is to raise rates and sell off assets. What about look	ing inwards at staff levels and						
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Part	Name Name and ensure that the area is well maintained by way of mowing	, weeding and trimming. We dont enjoying a break. I wasn't hand pick	ked for a survey like some residents and sporting organisations who were into		Council for some time. The administrator said he had spoken to a handful of people when at the meetings but this doesnt		increased rates, services not being provided only leads me to believe that this Councils only way of thinking of improving things is rate increases. The organisation is to top heavy, outdated by management and needs to move	e No
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Part	We're more like ratepayers to them. It's disgusting.	We're more like ratepayers to them	n. It's disgusting.	We're more like ratepayers to them. It's disgusting.	We're more like ratepayers to them. It's disgusting.	We're more like ratepayers to them. It's disgusting.	We're more like ratepayers to them. It's disgusting.	No
Part	of the lost/misapropriated money before putting up rates. By a	llowing a special increase, it will only be in the black again.	ove the minimum amount as upon finding the lost/misappropriated money, the council will	Many rate payers are pensioners or self funded retirees, with a fixed income and no means by which to oncrease income. This additional burden, due to council mismanagement, should be borne by the council not the ratepayers. Other means of cutting costs must be determined. Wage reductions, staff reductions. AND NO MORE USE OF CONSULTANTS.		in pay or benifits. Stop the use of consultants, if we do not have competent personnel on the council, terminate them and get some	and unreasonable amount. Punishing the ratepayers for this mismanagement without strict and enforceable punishment of the council and it's administration is sending the wrong message.	s No
Part	Name Name suppressed suppressed W22/180						\$1,515.94 for the period 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 to \$2,205.38. and I over the the last 12 months I have seen services decrease, in particular maintenance of public parks, reserves and local roads on the Woy Woy peninsular in the poorest condition they have ever been severely potholed and many requiring replacement. The waterfront reserve in Blackwall has been getting maintained by locals that live there, many of whom are in there 70's and 80's. Central Coast Council has become a dictatorship under the Administrator and Council management team in my view, with ratepayers being treated with disdain. I also note recent property valuations completed by the Valuer Generals Office has seen local properties UCV values rise, in my case I have seen a rise of 55% which in the not to distant future will see me paying an extraordinary rise in base rates should the current rate calculation method continue to be used. I strongly oppose Central Coast Councils application to extend the period of the rate temporary rate increase, just I as did the initial rise of 15% on top of the equalisation that was imposed on those in the old Gosford Council area Greg Thompson	t t
	years. They have not changed the culture of the establishmen culture., have less public meetings and less availability to liais not seen any improvement since they have been granted the hiring of more staff. The community is desiring parkland, roadways maintained an occurring and our areas are looking shabby. Why should the r	t, are not transparent in their spending e with council. The ratepayers have last rise for three years, other than d roads repaired. Very little of this is ate payers be asked for a future rise We have not been given any notific covering up and maintains secretar		seriously on financial viability of households , and rents for tenants. Also with other rising inflation cost and fuel cost	Council has not provided transparent communication to ratepayers.	property assets have occurred but there has not been a significant change in mid and upper level staff reduction in administration or IT areas. This has led to a loss in confidence at community level as council staff are viewed as top heavy with the greatest need for workers for e.g. roads and parks maintenance personnel being reduced resulting in negative visual impact. This affects the wellbeing of ratepayers as they view their environment as	The council has focussed on two methods for repairing the problems encountered with funding Sell assets Raise rates The council should focus on real cultural change within administration, prove that this has occurred.Be transparen in its actions. Have a greater number of council meeting to show that they are performing their duties with due care for the community and the responsibility to the rate payers that the council must now incur. The council has not improved its reputation under the current administrator and this needs to be addressed as	
	misappropriated funds of 600million has still not been explain bargain rates and infact the land they sold was also resold at a	ed or found, they sold of land at a profit of many millions in a space of 3						
Part		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			I cannot and have not seen them			No
Part	13 Kay Hunt W22/183 Confidential	Confidential			Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	No
Property of the content of the con	individual ratepayers, 600 odd, and there are many more rate from Council. His idea of community consultation is in the form get the rate rise services will be cut. He can't cut services any Name Name , has been since this debacle happened. The	payers that haven't heard anything of a letter which advises if they don't further, the Central Coast is an eletter is holding ratepayers to any of community consultation takes place.	ultation only took place on a small scale. My entire street was not contacted at all. His idea ace in the confines of his head. Mine and many others assessment of Council, it is still stop	We do not receive value for money. The proposed purpose of the variation is to become more top heavy, employ more beurocrats with bloated remuneration packages for feel good projects for a small number of the community. It won't be used to better our current infrastructure, which is desperately needed, it will be a slush fund. No one has stood accountable and these same people are still in those positions. Zealand. This to me means, he sells everything for agreed vale and then on sells for large profits. This is poor business leadership. We should not have to pay for this		of staff, staff vacancies not being filled at lower levels, staff taking on more work for the same pay, not replacing equipment, can't buy spare parts for equipment, so yes productivity is very low. Intervention of service levels have plummeted. Can't contact people via phone it's all through email, then they decide if they want to contact you back. Broductivity improvements: there aren't any, staff are fed up being lumped with more work. Outdoor staff are	be ashamed collecting their salary each week and blaming the community for this mess. which pays an annual salar of \$517,000.00 plus.	 No
Part	Name Name	looking for other methods to manag	ge finances without creating further burden on the taxpayer who is certainly suffering a loss			will further lose services. The previous productivity improvements involved allowing everyone to take redundancy (a very expensive move) and now contractors and new staff need to be hired to fill the void. Hiring new staff costs lots of money	rise) or else. It's bad enough we have families and small businesses struggling from the continuing aftermath of covid, cost of living and inflation at a high and now we are being expected to fork out another increase when we didn't cause	No
Part	Specifically addressing this item, the different revenue require Council has claimed publicly, they have restricted services, ar the publicly known debt (cash reserves that needed to be reparted by IPART for 3 years, provides rates. The current administrator has been quoted as stating: The plast station of the restriction of the rest	ment hasn't been determined. Id sold off significant assets, to fund hid, near \$200 million). Is some extra revenue to the present day In to repay loans includes writing off - about \$110M – over a 10-year			that This is addressed in the Administrator's Progress Report where he states "Acting CEO Rik Hart, along with our new CFO, Natalia Cowley, and our new Chief Operating Officer, Mr Ryan, are well advanced with the development of new financial reporting systems which will play a major role in ensuring this does not occur again. They will provide the community with online access to Council's financial position at the end of each month. This information will show how well council is adhering to its budget and how the cash reserves are being used. The last bit - online access to Council's financial position, still doesn't appear available - of course, such information would have to be treated as untrustworthy - but none the less, this speaks to the fact they haven't delivered on a key item the community		Council has repeatedly claimed the need for a rate increase, however they can't deliver a clear financial plan that shows they have correctly costed and forecasted their way out of the mess they've got. A plan that covers total revenue, a plan that shows total costs, a plan that clearly shows services delivered and how those are costed in. Instead, we are with service cutbacks (that doesn't seem possible, they dont appear to do a lot of service anyway), and longer delivery times of those services, if we dont accept a rate hike - again, without	
signates of special segretaries of processed filtre based of such as high increased. Supprised Su		In fact, the public hasn't seen any d	distinct financial documents that clearly show a requirement for funding, i.e. an appropriate				I would appreciate IPART remaining with the original decision - 3 years and then the rates revert. This was	
So Geoff Cook W 22/188 Confidential Confiden	16 suppressed suppressed W22/186 being produced off the back of such a high increase.	should be externally audited for acc		a long term rate increase?	some years ago. Why are we still asking ratepayers for more money?	that reason alone that I would not support a rate increase.	understood to be sufficient to satisfy the original issues identified by Dick Persson, and we accepted that.	No
Rock RICHARDS W22/189 Confidential Confident								No
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		lineso (Nothing has been shown to rate payers.		Yes

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						I support the proposed rate increase extension for an additional 7 years. Ipart cannot judge the current council and its plans, on the actions of past administrations, going back decades. In the period since day 1 of amalgamation, all previous directors have been removed from Central Coast Council, along with some of their underperforming succesors, managers and general staff. New blood has arrived with a commitment to improving the overall performance and financial stability of Council. Few on the Central Coast mourn the loss of the badly run former Gosford and Wyong Councils. Neither group of Councillors and Senior staff was fit for purpose, and the NSW Government made a culpable error of judgement in forcing amalgamation of these two bodies. In my opinion, both councils should have separately been placed into	n
		Council has laid out the extent of services that will be cut if the rate rise is not approved by Ipart. Council has clearly laid out the financilal impact on ratepayers of the increase. Council has also made it clear that failure to achieve the requested increase extension means that Community services will b hardest hit as they fall into "non essential" expenses area. Counil pools will close through inability to maintain. Council halls, used for community and charity purposes, will only be available at greatly increased hourly rentals, or if the organisation can't pay, access will be denied and vital communal activities will cease due to lack of suitable venues. Support for landcare, bush			Council, under the current Administrator, has made significant steps forward in improving council efficiency, and has plans in place for continued productivity improvement. Where safe to do so, without endangering the public, council has deferred capital works and other expenditure, to harness and get the most from its very scarce funds.	administration, for a whole variety of reasons, and once cleaned up, then assessed as to whether amalgamation was in fact needed. Currently, Central Coast land is going through a massive increase in value, due to high demand from developers and from people wanting to move to a more affordable region to live and work. In the last year the increase was 34% on average. In time this will flow through to council revenue via rates on inflated valuer general land	
Name Name	Community surveys have clearly established that ratepayers and residents DO NOT want any further reduction in services. In fact surveys have shown that we are looking for a greater level of service. This can only be achieved via an increase in Council revenue. An increase in rates, to repay debt incurred by the previous administrator to keep council afloat, while maintaining and hopefully improving services, appears to be the only way to go to provide council with a guaranteed	care and dune care will cease and current staff supporting these functions will be terminated, including environment staff. The result will be a degradation of the environment that volunteers have spent millions of equivalent dollars protecting at virtually no labour cost to council. Sporting clubs will be required to maintain their playing fields, while still paying hiring fees. General staff in areas such as those processing development applications will be reduced, resulting in the council area being considered "too hard" for developers to function in due to the time takeen for development approvals to be processed. This will result in reduced housing construction and reduced new business development on the central coast. The government's population increase goals for the central coast, as set out in the long term planning documents, will not be met, and this will	The proposed increase extension for an additional 7 years is in the main affordable. By comparison with lake macquarie			valuations. Ipart shuld take this factor into account, and could perhaps approve a sliding scale of increase, with the latter years tailing off, as the natural increase from valuations comes into effect. Finally - should Ipart refuse the increase requested, then it must recommend that Central Coast Council be taken over by the NSW Government, which must be then obliged to provide all the funds necessary for the proper provision of services and administration of the Central Coast LGA. Failure to do this would leave the current Administrator with on option but to place Central Coast Council into bankruptcy, as it clearly does not have the	1
21 suppressed suppressed	W22/191 base level of income, before increasingly difficult to obtain government grants.	lead to stagnation of the LGA.	Central Coast rates at lower levels than its nearby LGAs.	the proper processes in placing the increase proposal before of properly constituted and held council meeting.	received very good value for money from the expenditure on largely long term, high quality infrastructure.	financial resources to perform its statutory obligations.	No
Name Name	Central Coast Council is spent restricted funds. The Police should be called into investigate this, as it was a breach of the Local Government Act. they knew it and so I am opposed to any rate increases. The residents should not have to pay for	Central Coast Council is spent restricted funds. The Police should be called into investigate this, as it was a breach of the Local Government Act. they knew it and	was a breach of the Local Government Act. they knew it and	breach of the Local Government Act. they knew it and	this, as it was a breach of the Local Government Act. they knew it and	Central Coast Council is restricted funds. The Police should be called into investigate this, as it was a breach of the Local Government Act. they knew it and	
22 suppressed suppressed 23 Maureen Connell	W22/192 W22/193	So I am opposed to any rate increases. The residents should not have to pay for	So I am opposed to any rate increases. The residents should not have to pay for	So I am opposed to any rate increases. The residents should not have to pay for	So I am opposed to any rate increases. The residents should not have to pay for	So I am opposed to any rate increases. The residents should not have to pay for I would be financially devastated if the central coast council raised the rates for such a length of time they are proposing, I couldn't cope, I'm depressed just contemplating it, please ipart consider the rate payers who have had no part in this debacle that the Central Coast council have created	No No
Name Name	\$6mil+ vanished!!! I don't see anywhere in the above criterion that Council can apply to IPart to			Having said this, and with respect to my community the average ratepayer in the street would be unaware whether above			
24 suppressed suppressed Name Name 25 suppressed suppressed	W22/194 increase rates in order to support Council's resourcing model!@ W22/195 Confidential	As a ratepayer I am aware of the requested increase!! Confidential	severe impact on a high percentage of the population. Confidential	mentioned documents were made available for scrutiny. A total white wash!@ Confidential	The cost containment for the ratepayer is reduction in services thus adding to the ratepayer's dissatisfaction. Confidential	Confidential	No
	W22/196		lam a single old age pensioner and have trouble with the current cost of living increases if this rate rise is to go ahead I would have to look at selling my house through the fault of council mismanagement	I personally have not seen these documents	The council has retrenched people giving them payouts and then remployed them how can this be seen as cost saving	This council relies on ratepayers paying for their errors and omissions which caused this problem without any responsibility from them to reduce staffing costs	No
Name Name	that are barely being done right nowmowing, and park maintenance, pot holes!!!.let me tell you those services aren't even there to be cut, nor should we be blackmailed into supporting this	I feel the administration has always been spinning a story on how there are no other choices and keep running surveys with a population sample so small (600) meant to be the representation on the entire coast. The surveys that do go out in the wider communityhave leading questions with options that aren't really options. Eg. Do you support a rate rise or if no rate rise the	not happen again. Why should we support a 10 yr increase when no one feels the council by is being managed nadequately. The local government ministery is not stepping in when they are the ones who missed out of half billion			With the prices rising on local real estate, so will the ratesI believe the serious vote of no confidence in the	
27 suppressed suppressed		cut of services	dollars worth of red flagsthey should be held partially liable for their failure to the ppl of NSW		Would love to see some consultation on this with community.	current administration should be taken into consideration before approving anything over 3yrs already approved.	No
Name Name 28 suppressed suppressed	I am a member of the community and like many others I see no need nor do I desire any further revenue as there are no changes to service levels nor any additional projects. There are too many highly paid staff, particularly management that are not required and far too much waste. Address the current issues with council before any approval is given to waste more rate payers money. Sorry to be a spoilsport but do you realistically think this council needs a handout as they are	Again as a member of the community I have not seen any evidence that supports any further increase. Council's communication falls within the definition of	Any further increase is not reasonable for the majority of rate payers. Health services employ a substantial number of locals and their pay has not increased. These massive hikes can not be justified. The majority of money is to continue to pay the large salaries of the hundreds of council staff - a reduction in pay and number of management staff would be a good place to start and getting back to basics - roads, paths and general maintenance and garbage services.	The central coast council appear to minimize any consultation with the community and any notification of documents is done in such a way most rate payers never see it.	There have been no reasonable proposals to implement any strategies to rain in costs in council or improve productivity. There has been no real improvement in years in the way this council conducts itself except to justify paying exorbitantly high salaries or far too many managers, directors and the like without any need to justify these costs to the very rate payers they want to rip off and make pay more.	A royal commission into the functioning and accountability of local councils is urgently needed. Further more any council staff found to be guilty of misappropriating funds/grants/expenses should face criminal charges and be made to repay these funds. In addition there should be transparency and accountability to rate payers at all times	
	incapable of staying within a budget and everyone has to have a budget and there are consequences for not staying within its parameters. Of course this council just believes it can keep hitting the pockets of its ratepayers. Thank heavens for ipart and hopefully you can show this council that it has a budget and further to that it's service to its ratepayers is really non existent and is invisible to most of the people it is supposed to represent. Furthermore their selling land on hue	According to council we the ratepayers are in full agreement with all they are up to and fully informed. Sorry to rain on your parade no never heard from council and maybe they don't exist at all and are a figment of our imaginations.if only that was true. You cannot keep giving this band of people more money at the expense of hard working ratepayers and	The vast majority are retired and most on fixed income in form of a pension. Any increase is going to be a burden on their budget and as stated earlier every has a budget and yes there is a bottom in the barrel To suggest this will not have a	Where would I see these and second would I understand them as I am sure they would be. Prepared by well paid beauracrat		It is very rare for me to put pen to paper however this is affecting us all and sometimes you have tn make your	
Name Name 29 suppressed suppressed	hue road for the princely sum of 27 million dollar's and then the purchaser flips it for 127 million dollars yes a great performing council looking out for us ratepayers AND THEY WANT MORE MONEY	please don't forget the vast majority who are limited by pension allocation which will put many in hardship. This council is not capable of delivering services to its ratepayers only going cap in hand to ipart hoping for any win no matter how small or large. Show us how they have lifted their game and also services just watch out for a smokescreen		who is well trained in saying a lot while not really saying anything. Maybe they have selected a MASSIVE amount of us ratepayers and got their approval come come now let's be realistic I doubt this has happened. Make sure all procedures are followed and verified as this council has a history	duties and improving productivity. Of course this council is not worried about productivity it's all about the money and how to get past that infernal ipart. You are a pain in the xxxxxx so just keep up the good work and as one politician said KEEP THE HONEST.	point of view heard. This will affect me personally and as such must voice my opposition to any further funding of this money hungry council who knows no boundaries when it comes to slugging the ratepayers., if they were genuine and shown productivity increase yes maybe but sorry have a bad history and nothing new to report here	
Name Name 30 suppressed suppressed	W22/200 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	No
	, not giving them more of what they've misappropriated for years!	The community KNOWS that it DOES NOT need a rate rise. What we need is for the State Government to take responsibilit for their failings to appropriately oversee council and prevent the disaster in the first place. ALSO, we just need competent people who can actually do the job. If you give them this rise, I am absolutely 100% convinced they will squander away huge	Coronavirus. We are paying a huge increase for many things, with NO increase in wages. Impact of this ridiculous and		so the little kid comes back and says "I promise not to any more lollies" and you're just going to accept that??? Get real. They have proved over MANY years they can't do their job. NOTHING suggests that they		
Name Name 31 suppressed suppressed	They need to be out and start with fresh new talent who can actually do the job, not well well well well and start with fresh new talent who can actually do the job, not well well well and start with fresh new talent who can actually do the job, not well well as	more \$\$ and will be back to you in a few more years to try to get your permission to do what they are already doing our money and NOT be responsible for it	impacted is if IPART had the power to order all relevant employers etc to significantly, dramatically and immediately increase our wages.	What? I don't even know what this means, so obviously they have NOT done this.	can. NO rise until the END of what you have already given them, and THEN they MUST show what they have done, and that that must be SIGNIFICANT improvement.		No
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The current rates notices are very unclear. Information provided to date has been all over the place and it basically feels they refuse to do anything until they agent more money to waste It is unclear what the council intends to do with the rate rises, other then continue to pay the wages of many councillors without even allowing ratepayers to have an election! This is very much a hidden agenda termed only with respect to a % increase. We know the reason for the increase is gross negligence of councils responsibilities to oversee correct fund management and now we are supposed to believe that even every year as rates have increased there is now an overwhelming need for a massive rate fike to pay for what? Bad management with no accountability or mass convictions for the crime. The community is NOT aware of the need for an extended rate rise, they just need someone who listens to what the Community wants and needs. 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The Council was not heid accountable in the past for the overspending that was taking place. If the increase were to take place it is primarily to catch up on overspend and not for the advancement of the Community. It is laughable that we are called Stakeholders when avery rate paying resident on the Coast is absolutely appailed by this situation. It was brought about by a community of the past for the authorization of the transportation of the coast is absolutely appailed by this situation. It was provided that the past for the paying resident on the Coast is absolutely appailed by this situation. It was provided that the past for the paying resident on the Coast is absolutely appailed by this situation. It was provided that the paying resident on the coast is absolutely appailed by this situation. There is no justification for such a rate increase. 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Name 48 suppressed	Name suppressed W22/221 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	No
	Name suppressed W22/222 Better organisation and running of council. Reduce wages of high payed administration, better still have elected members before a decision like this is met. Where did the money go. It's madness to ask for more and not tell where our money went. Judicial inquiry please	They ignore residents and rate payers and make their own polls to suit their wants. Being able to trick old people to amend their polls seems to be what they are good at	45% raise is to much	They will leave a mess and run with cash in pockets. Needs to be an election		Needs to be fair and have a judicial inquiry to explain where money went to the people it was taken from. It ange people when it's asked of them to pay 45% more because it was lost, while the administrations gets payed a ridiculous amount of money and want more from rates and Water. Getting screwed over as they fix polls to their favour	
	they cannot afford to complete should flag as concern. Council should focus on reducing projects			This may have been exhibited, however not promulgated other than a letter to ratepayers worded in such a way to state there is no option but for a rate increase. Consultations consist of voluntary surveys which are difficult to locate, with one sided multi-choice criteria leading to a single outcome.	The biggest opportunity to curb spending and increase public opinion would be to cease expenditure on	As a rate payer I do not agree with the requirement for a rate increase without significant reform within Central Coast Council and demonstrated improvement.	No
	Currently CCC is not effectively and efficiently delivering current basic services. Examples are where mowing and related maintenance occurs, plastic and similar rubbish is simple driven over and left with no attempt to clean up prior to carrying out work. Example 2, where an area is marked for potholes to be fixed, some are filled and		I can only comment from a personal view, that the impact of a SV would be very difficult to accommodate as we are self funded retirees, with no other income but our superannuation and minimal savings.				
	others missed. Those filled are so poorly done, that it is just a waste bitumen, which is removed by the first truck to drive over. Example3, where stormwater drains blocked and overgrown which could easily be cleaned by the	for cur and gutter suggest their systems cannot be relied upon by ratepayers having confidence we are being charged the correct amount. It is difficult to question or challenge charges because Council does not answer their phones.	While too some it may suggest we are well off as self funded retirees, we get none of the concessions afforded if we were on the age pension. Our health costs, vehicle costs, utilities etc are all totally funded by us, and these costs are increasing.		It appears as previously mentioned, the SRV is to reduce debt and underpin commitments made to lenders, which appear to have been given in that a SRV would be provided just through a		
51 suppressed	suppressed W22/226 mowing maintenance tweak, I object against changing the rates increase from 3 years to 10 years. The council has somehow spent \$600 Million dollars they did not have available and now want the rate payers to bail them out.		The impact of the SV rates in addition to the amalgamation increase for the former Gosford council has been a lot and forces lots of people to struggle paying the rates.	no comment	matter of process.		No
	I have yet to see any real investigation into where the money went and who is responsible for it. I further have not seen any sort of recognition, or dare I say apology, from the council that they have messed up.		I am also aware that the council is now also applying to increase the water rates on top of it. As said before unless they are slashing salaries, making people who are not performing redundant, and there is a real				
Name	million I absolutely DO NOT support extending the period of the special variation rates from 3 to 10	We only received a Flyer in the rates notice advising that they are seeking support for the SV rates to be extended to 10	investigation into finding out where the money went and who is responsible the rates payers should NOT have to bail them out. In any other job people would be sacked or put on a performance plan and the council just thinks they can get the money from the rates payers.				
52 suppressed	Council has been community groups to cut services if they don't get the rate rise (or whatever word they are putting on the rise) . They have sufficient to maintain	The community is not confident in the administrator or his ability to right the wrongs in the culture of council management .	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		Council has not delivered on productivity or cost constraints . They in fact have hired more staff . Upper	This council needs review. The current administrator does not have confidence of community and in seeking a	No
	Name suppressed W22/228 community services if they cut mid upper management as they promised and as yet have not done. They have hired more.	They are not transparent and community . A minor mention of possible 15 percent increase, but no dollar amount was included in rates quarterly account. Not projected with the new valuations in the area to give a true picture of projected costs .	Ratepayers have not had sufficient real wage and or pension rises to cover cost of proposed increase coupled with extra cost of rising land valuations, council will already receive significant rate rises	Many of council meetings have secret meetings that are not in public minuted domains . The ccc seems to ask continually for more but has not delivered even with the 12 month increase they currently have . The area looks very shabby.	management wages are comparable with state government heads and not in keeping with local councils roles and responsibilities.	further rate rise is showing his ineptitude in managing the significant impact of the current issues on the community	No
Mountain Districts Association Carol						I am writing on behalf of the Mountain Districts Association. We are a community group based in Mangrove Mountain and have approximately seventy members. We are constantly receiving complaints from our members about the high cost of council rates. We were expecting a 15% rate rise, but in fact, the rates of the residents of the former Gosford Council were triple that! This was due to rate harmonisation as well as the 15% rate rise. My own rates rose by \$900 per annum, and this is common. We cannot be expected to keep paying these exorbitant rates! As a rural area we get little for our ratesjust garbage collection and occasional slashing of the verge. Our roads are full of potholes and we have no kerb or gutter. The community is tired of having to constantly apply for grants if we want any work done in this area. We strongly object to continuing to pay these very high rates.	is
54 (Poppe) Name	Zouroudis W22/229 Name Council didn't manage funds appropriately why should rate payers who were previously paying high suppressed W22/232 rates be asked to pay more. We will not be able sustain oppoing rate rises.	Yes we know they miss managed funds and a moderate rise was needed. However the large increase they are applying for far exceeds community expectations and understanding	The rates on the Central Coast are already above those paid in other council areas in greater Sydney a further rise will see unreasonable rates here.	I am unaware if they meet this	Productivity is bear minimum the roads are so poor, pedestrian access to walk is poor, all they do is collect bins and they are often late	We ask that you do NOT let Central Coast Council keep charging them. Central coast council should not be rewarded with high rates for poor management. Coat of living is becoming a big challenge for everyone higher rates will push people to breaking point.	No
55 suppressed 56 Kellie	suppressed W22/232 rates be asked to pay more. We will not be able sustain ongoing rate rises. Marriott W22/233 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Dig challenge for everyone nigher rates will push people to breaking point. Confidential	No
	Leslie W22/234 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	I am Not in agreement with this Special Variation rate rise application by Central Coast Council. Husband and I arrived on Central Coast in November 2017 not for a minute being aware of what had preceded us in council business and/or what was to follow. We have not voted in a council election up here and as individuals do not feel we have to be "punished" by excessive rate rises for 10 years to cover bad financial decisions and poor admin practices that have led to the massive black hole of debt that Council has dragged us into. But it's not only the debt situation is it? It's all about the way Council has been run over many years including lack of proper guidelines to help steer councillors, managers, financial operatives et al towards proper and appropriate outcomes which should have benefitted the people of the Central Coast rather than land us ALL in this current predicament. My husband and I came to the Central Coast to retire happily, comfortably and quietly in our later years. Not Happy Jan!	Confidential	No
58 suppressed	suppressed W22/236	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	No
Kennath	Barrington W22/237 Confidential Cottam W22/238 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	No
	Name The articulation of the " different revenue path" does not seem to have been thought through	The evidence that Central Coast Council is aware of the situation is questionable. Details of cumulative increases have NOT	The existing ratenaver hase particularly on the Woy Woy Peninsula is being challenged to meet unaccentable increases	There is community concern that the approval and adoption process is a fait accompli and the whole process is simply an	Theses documents successfully show the alarming lack of properly planned progress in recent years, and the	The NSW State Government seems to be allowing Central Coast Council to self-destruct while the Administrator	ur's
Name	Suppressed W22/240 adequately. The sale of assets, including land, needs to be further examined. Name suppressed W22/245	been clearly communicated.	in an apparent concession to political wants.	exercise in obscuring the fact that decisions have already been made.		Central Coast Council should not be given the go ahead for another rise as they clearly have not changed the wathey operate, roads, parks and other maintenance areas have grass growing knee high, potholes not being filled of fixed. Simple development application take months and sometimes you have to reapply, They have done nothing they said they would do, No one was held accountable or just got a slap on the wrist, we ratepayers are continual getting them out of the shit, yet they do not change, so why would you increase rates again? Until they are held totally accountable they will not change. Regards Brett Ferguson.	or g ally
	Oviousley the caliber of staffing in the year 2017-2020 is not of our previous decades. Financil Reports are not being understood.			The NSW Government has failed the Central Coast dismally \$10million was not enough at AMALGAMATION			
63 Holon	We need Councils to go outside the box and form a Commercial Staffed Body Corporate Identity where we can employ much needed outside sector staffing. Orchard W22/246	With an only delinquent 4% of unpaid rates - obviously salaries being paid to the ELT was too high, with under productive results.	With the NSW Auditor General's Land Values being put forward for July 2022 no rate rise should be necessary as Land Values have increased in the Central Coast Area by	The OLG failed the Central Coast dismally Polotics has failed the Central Coast dismally.	Being a resident of the Central Coast for over 30years, it is beyond belief that dutifully our rates were paid and State Governments have failed us.		No
	Orchard W22/250 Increases in the CPI and Land Values should be sufficient as a Rate Increase.	As a rate payer, I am trying to get my head around our current economic condition.	The question is wether Central Coast Council should implement a change it the rating system and go to a Residential - Base Amount and apply a lower Residential Rate in the \$ on Land Value to achieve an equable outcome for all.	Ratepayers have not approved the SV, only the Administrator - and-ELT have to fund their income.		As a community representative I have regularly attended Council Meetings, the Elected Councillors are not responsible for the Central Coast Council's current economic condition. Department Heads are responsible for our current economic condition.	No
	Name					I do not support an increase at all. Council have not even attempted to cut back where they should. A decrease is services that are essential while promoting new activities that do not benefit the constituents and wasted funds of sending out letters attempting to scare the people into supporting their rate rise or they won't fund their community projects, not to mention increase in costs for employees by 13% when they were supposed to cut jobs is a disgrace, especially when you can't even get a hold of someone on the phone or a call back in regards to inquiries. They are after a money grab from the community for an easy fix instead of putting in the hard yards to	on nity
bo suppressed	suppressed W22/258 Ratepayers in the 2257 postcode area have already been hit with up to a 34% rate rise. Now CCC wants to hike it even higher for the purpose of paying back a huge debt incurred through incompetence. The rate increases will not even be directed towards essential infrastructure works,					fix the problems they created.	NO
	has been or is likely to ever be provided. The need for curbs, gutters and drainage, has never more obvious, after recent heavy rainfalls. You only have to look at all the local streets with water pooled in roadways lacking proper drainage. you're telling us that as local residents we will pay more and		The impact on ratepayers will be hardship in a population that is largely made up of pensioners and retirees, many of whom are already struggling to make ends meet. It is grossly unfair to pass on huge rate hikes to the older sector of the population which has no renewable source of income. Ratepayers did not incur the debt and should not be expected to fund the debt.	Council seems to be representing its own self-serving interests rather than those of the local population with a lack of transparency.		Selling unproductive land/assets such as the Central Coast Water Authority would help to clear the council debt without the need to pass it on to the hapless ratepayers. CCC must be held accountable for its mistakes and tak ownership of its past bad decisions and reckless spending. All CCC employees should undergo individual performance assessments covering the lead up to the current financial fiasco. Those found wanting should be thones to take a hike.	ike
	Ipart did not listen last time, why now? Central coast have already been subjected to a rate rise in excess of inflation & basic requirements. It was a cover up for poor management of the Iga. Residents have seen no benefit from the previously allowed rate increase. Residents are not a money tree. Rate rise will impact locals & for what benefits? No one has been advised where the additional money will be spent or benefits provided to either myself or the community. My rates have risen significantly the last year, & while I can afford it now if they rise further, with no benefits it will impact my spending within the local community and day to day living. I am tired, paid more than my fair share & simply over covering a failed organisation that has taken no responsibility for the current predicament.						
67 Andrew	When the previous council are being held to account a rate rise may be justified. In the meantime it is not acceptable to bleed the ratepayer with no plan on going forward. Once again , the council is mismanaged.	Joke	Joke	Joke	Joke	Joke	No
	Regarding need/desire for service levels/projects and limited council resourcing alternatives. The survey that the council instigated and foisted onto a handpicked sample group and where they were only given two choices:- rate hikes or service cuts, REJECTED THE HIKE CHOICE. And this was by a very large margin.		15% is a very substantial increase compounded over the 7 years that the council is seeking. Wages have been stagnant over a decade but the cost of living has risen in that time. A trip to the supermarket reflects that. Once the fuel dockets meant something and necessitated a spend of \$30. These days a weekly spend of \$120 is not out of place and it's only for basic food. Imposing a 15% rise means prioritizing ones spending for the extra money that has to go on rates.		There has been no productivity improvements. No effort appears to have been made to streamline the workforce. A recent example of the repair of one road pothole where eight (8) workers turned up with their trucks and a roller. It shows that the middle management has not sat down and worked out a work schedule and the number of personnel required for each job. Services have already been cut and the Administrator is foreshadowing further cuts should the proposed increase be not approved. The new CEO has settled and is with the council's lack of productivity. It's been 10 months and he still does not appear to have gone through the council hierarchy and determined whether they are productive. Two LTEs left just before last Christmas but no reason was given. The most productive part about the Administrator and the CEO has been the enthusiasm with which they embraced a future proposed rate increase. They even hiree consultants to prepare the submission. It appears that the current personnel is	Please see attached file	Yes
	Jeffrey W22/262 Confidential Bean W22/263	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential		Confidential Having read a considerable number of reports re the proposed rate rise of central coast council I would like to raise the following points When the two lga were amalgamated councillors and senior level staff all received large pay increases. I presum this was because they were now responsible for a larger workforce. It would also appear that council accepted voluntary redundancies from anyone applying. Apparently There was only one forced redundancy. This resulted in essential depts like planning which actually makes money, losing many staff positions. Finance also lost experienced staff that prior to the amalgamation had been responsible for successfully producing the same IPART reports that council is now outsourcing. The amalgamation was meant to generate cost savings as well as staff reductions in back office areas like HR, payroll, IT and finance. Where are the strategic reviews or targeted reductions in these areas compared to pre amalgamation. The across the board redundancies should have been more targeted in generating these cost savings whilst maintaining front line staff and services. Councils failure in this area should not now be directed at rate payers with increased costs. These highly paid back office areas need to be reviewed and trimmed to cut costs.	

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71 Robert Pickett W22/264	There is no doubt Council could use unlimited funds as they have proved they are very good at spending it. The question is, how much is enough and my view as an ordinary rate paying citizen is, increases are tolerable if we are getting value for money- we are not. With one hour of your time I can clearly illustrate waste and lack of efficiency.	, Council ha <u>s comm</u> unicated their need for money very well. Well done But what has not been communicated is the inefficiency and lack of productivity- come and see.	The impact of a rate rise of this nature would be reasonable if we were receiving reasonable benefits- we are not. Quite the opposite as we go further and further behind with inefficient administration.	I'm sure these formalities were approved and adopted as one man, is the Council. This was against a background of 70% of the public opposing his actions.	Strategies, modelling and proposals sometimes do not stack up against reality, recent council actions have exhibited this. The replacement of 2 directors, is an example of cost containment but this action should have been 100 times greater to get real profit and productivity back into this organisation.	A brief overview as I see the reason for the need of a rate increase. A sloppy bungled amalgamation of Gosford and Wyong Councils that allowed staff (perhaps with union support) to manipulate the process of amalgamation and gain massive staff benefits and the joining of the Councils. The Councillors were also at odds with our first mayor Jane Smith gaining control with political manoeuvring and as Ric Hart acknowledged run the Council. The meetings of Council with Councillors and the Public Inquiry clearly demonstrated what a debacle this was with no one accountable. This wasteful bureaucratic culture unfortunately is still prominent in the council administration today and is still out of control despite well meaning efforts from several administrators,
Name Name 72 suppressed suppressed W22/268	see that a thorough analysis has been undertaken by the Administrator AT ALL.	This was certainly NOT communicated for the 3 year rise. And I am on the community consultation email loop. If I didnt know the full impact of rises when I actively engaged with CC Council, how is the average ratepayer meant to????	There is nothing reasonable about an organisational mismanagement leading to massive deficit and debt, then asking the shareholders' to pay it out! In any company the management would have been shown the door but the Central Coast Ratepayers are being asked to accept that those who caused this are still within the Council and that WE have to pay for their mistakes (that we have no evidence they have learnt from)? How is that reasonable??? We are literally paying for their mistakes and being told to sit down, shut up and do what we are told.		As said before, select areas were chosen for cost cutting and no evidence that they were the most effective methods. If they were the bottom line from Council would not require more imput. Cut Executive salaries by half for a start. Why does anyone in this failed Council earn more that State or Federal Politicians. They have not earned that. Cut the fat, not the services.	I am an accountant, parent, community volunteer and ratepayer. I operate my life organisation within a budget and do not put my hand out for others to pay for my lifestyle and are offended that this appears to be the attitude of Central Coast Council. Arrogance, hubris and an belief in their immunity from public questioning or the requirement of internal introspection appears the lived culture. That ratepayers, already struggling from cost of living rises are being asked to fund the end fiscal results of that culture is unconscionable. I ask that IPART decide against these increases and that the people earning the big bucks look closer to home for cost savings without resorting to threats and blackmail of the CC ratepayers.
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75 Joshua Cain W22/270	the true nature of its financial position and what the true intent of the required funds are to be used	I believe that the community is not aware of this rate increase there has not been clear communications with the community and or any form of feedback provided by a large number of residents, this due to the lack of local representatives having the ability to discuss the matter and the lack of information provided to residents. It appears the council did a cherry picked survey of 100 people on this matter, using some simple maths, using a population of 327,736 people according to the 2016 census. They have communicated this and surveyed less than 0.030% of the community. Central coast council put themselves into this predicament. I have seen nothing of my rate money and the 30% it went up.	during hard economic times and the impacts of a global pandemic. With the cost to living rising, inflation on the rise and the imminent rise to interest rates this will be felt hard across the community. With residents having to better manage their income and expenditure on a personal level it would be appreciated if the council are to do the same instead for	Due to the lack of local representative this was adopted on the option of one. this should be discussed and consulted either by the local community and or local ministers.	I don't believe the council has proved any productivity and or cost containment since the last rate peg. The initial culling of staff and assets within council provided a economic benefit in the short term, but does not provide sufficient evidence that this has increased productivity. It has just meant that either new assets will be required in the future to carryout these works or the sourcing of contract will be sought to provided these loss of services.	No No
76 Jogn Mortimer W22/272		They have made no effort to fix this problem except fleece the rate payers. If they get another rate rise this year I'll be broke. I am an old age 71 years old pensioner. My CPI didn't nearly cover the last increase. They made this mess no extra money except the rate peg.	As above. Living on the poverty line now. Stay at home, one shower every two weeks. One meal a day. Yet council keep hiring people and doing nothing.			No
Name Name 77 suppressed suppressed W22/273	All the same reasons apply as were lodged when the original 3 year tempory rate rise was applied. If the council (administrator) can not pick up his act and get things in order then he never will. The residents of the Coast have already suffered through miss management, other councils get the job done with much less money coming in. Surely it's a case of putting people in charge who know what they are doing, remove excess staff, don't waste time on half doing things and then having to go back and do them again. Land valuations have already gone up which because rates are based on them means that the		People of the Coast have been left behind the eight ball. Loss of income following covid restrictions, loss of work &/or now unemployed. They do not have the money to pay increased rates. There are also a very large population of retired and low income earners on the coast which includes myself. I do not have money coming in to cover these rate increased and what little superannuation I have is bearly covering my current day to day expenses. NO increase in rates please.	I don't know what IP&R documents are never mind have seen any. Where are these documents being displayed? How and when was I supposed to have been told about them?	I have not seen any thing on these documents. I have received both rates and water accounts. If the council really wanted rate payers to know about it's IP&R documents etc they could have put something in with the rates notices.	Please, please do not approve a further rates rise extension. It is unaffordable to the residents of the coast.
Name Name 78 suppressed suppressed W22/274	I'm sure every Council would like that luxury. Other alternatives have not been fully explored by council. Services have been cut locally with a focus on withholding visible services (such as cutting grass, removing the Imagine sign at Tascott)	The Council has not performed well in this area. It's communication system for the first rate variation was very poor and this current process is even worse. The administration lacks the professional ability to convince ratepayers on these issues. People see reports of the improving budget position and can accept to a degree ,the recent rate increase, but people have no real voice because of the current Councillor suspension (which I totally agree with) and I for one don't want to see an 'open cheque' for 10 years, granted with the current proceeds in place.	for 10 years. This is particularly important when we realise that elected Councillors will probably be in place later in 2022 believe it is a dangerous process to simply give the newly elected Council, a rate increase without annual justification. The Central Coast is in the middle of a boom, how can they justify increasing rates? Record number of people are	.1	How can a Council under administration, lock in any productivity and cost containment strategies when an elected Council will be in place in 2022 ? It is not unreasonable to think that the newly elected Council wail want its own strategy put in place and will feel encouraged to do so if the rate increase is already in place.	This application is simply unwise and inappropriate. The rate position needs to be reviewed annually after the three year period when an elected Council is in place and when water tight justification can be provided for such an increase. What ratepayers DO NOT NEED is to remove this annual justification from a new Council which may very well be prone to excess spending when a rate increase is guaranteed.
Name Name suppressed W22/275	and efficiencies to achieve the savings, not increasing rates on residents.	the increase. The community does not support a further increase.	ever been.	increase with no regard for the community.	Council are inefficient and ineffective. A rate rise is not the answer, improvements must come from council first	I have paid higher rates with Wyong since 2011, now more after new council mismanagement. I live in Summerland point. I don't have curb and guttering, my house floods with new section of road that was put in. Our main road was fixed by locals 3 times in 6 weeks after a storm because council did not fix it but they spend millions at terrigal. We should not even be part of ccc here!!!!! No more increases
81 Robert Cable W22/277	,					Councils must be provided with guidance on maximum and minimum INDIVIDUAL rate changes. The current system of VG valuation multiplied by the peg rate is crude and in the past has resulted in individual rate increases on residential properties in Hornsby GLA of over 20%, and at the same time decreases to some property owners of over 10%. This is grossly unfair in times of wage and income restraint and general cost of living increases. An individual cap of close to CPI would protect individual rate payers with certainty in their budgets.
Name Name 82 suppressed suppressed W22/278						Central Coast Council, even still, are acting in ways that show they have not learned from this debacle, and there is major concerns that they will spend this extra money without due care. The sensible thing to do would be to maintain income and reduce services, so they cannot get into strife again. Especially after a pandemic, this area is hurting financially, and rate increases are just not justifiable. At the best of times, this should not be allowed as we are bearing the brunt for nothing less than without benefit. We should not be slugged with this rate rise. This may also affect house prices in the area.
Name Name 83 suppressed suppressed W22/279	have to agree to the increase in rates over the next 7 years!!! This is absolutely outrageous!!! The Woy Woy Peninsula has been neglected for DECADES. We are angry that our money has been misappropriated by previous councils and we have to pay for it. We also want some controls so this	The Central Coast has seen a massive increase in population and on the Woy Woy Peninsula the infrastructure is decades old, the roads are in appalling condition and we have only one lane with no-where to over take. I am on the road all day with	The increase is totally unreasonable and when you take the recent increase in property values, mine has increased 2600 since 2009 but the majority increase has occurred within the last 2 years, taking it from from a low socio-economic area. We need infrastructure to be upgraded in line with this increase. Over the last 12 months the Central Coast has been inundated with people moving up from Sydney during COVID-19 lockdowns, a major increase in population. On the Woy Woy Peninsula alone there has been a large increase in DAs building town houses where single family homes once stood. We need our council to have a long term vision in keeping with the natural beauty of the area.		I have not read this but wouldn't believe it anyway.	No
Name Name 84 suppressed suppressed W22/280	There is certainly a desire for council to get service levels back to where they had been previously, But with what equates to a 40% rate rise last year with the massive rise and harmonisation of forme GCC and WSC rates there is certainly no need nor desire from residents to pay more for these services. Many in the community suspect that CCC has been purposely neglecting mowing and basic jobs around the community to try to push the narrative that a further rate rise is required to perform these most basic of duties.	We have been sent a few letters trying to explain where costs are allocated etc but it's so non descript and vague that	After the massive rate rise last year and the harmonisation it's just not justifiable, especially seen as though this financial situation was self inflicted by bad decisions, rampant partisan councillors with their own ambitions ranked higher than the regard for rate payers and abysmal governance and management. I am a 41 year old with three kids at home and earn just over \$100,000 a year, my rates have gone from \$424 a quarter to \$546 because of last years decision, these people need to learn to run council within its current earnings just like ever small business and family has to do, they can't just keep putting rates up to cover their ineptitude.	eir	What they are proposing is what they should have been doing the entire time, nothing new, nothing spectacular. If council needs more money for general day to day operations they need to cut their discretional spending on pet projects and hiring of consultants etc get back to their main role of roads, rates, rubbish and planning. I can tell you they are not doing a very good job with those basics!	traction within the community for another above peg rise. IPART must do its job and stop this rampant robbery and tell CC Council to live within its means.
Name Name 85 suppressed suppressed W22/281	As an employee, I can see huge amounts of waste within the organisation still, that should be addressed before going back to the ratepayers for more money.	Council has communicated in the form of expensive and poorly written press releases, statements and letter drops that promote councils version of why it is needed. The specific dollar information is not readily available and the rise is being masked as an "extension to the current rate level". I work at council and have no idea where to go and find info on what my rates will go up by. If I can't, then how are the community supposed to?	For the lack of additional or existing services that will be provided, the rise is not reasonable.		No improvements have been made. It is all spin and and marketing. What we have done is spend the money on issues that are outside councils core business, that are politically motivated and do not benefit the community as a whole. We do apparently employ a CEO that is on a higher salary package than the premier or the PM. But we can't manage to provide funds to fix the potholes. I ended up with a flat from a pothole in my street last week. And I didn't even bother trying to go for compensation because I work here and know what a farce the process is. Not the staffs fault, I must stress. Management are clueless in their ivory tower. Residents and ratepayers are suffering and money is continuing to be wasted.	I am a resident, ratepayer and employee of Central coast council. For this reason I ask that my detaila be suppressed. The attitude of the current management to ratepayers and staff regarding this rise is appalling. Veiled have been issues to staff, 'encouraging' us to communicate the community how beneficial this rise will be otherwise we will have more staff cuts. Those same have been issued to ratepayers in the form of 'information'. As an employee I continue to see waste on a daily basis. Waste in the forms of spending money on managements pet projects, whilst genuinely needed or more efficient options are ignored as they don't provide management with the same ego boost. Money is constantly wasted on expensive and contractors who deliver subpar results. Then more money needs to be spent fixing those issues. Money is wasted hand over fist on marketing and public relations to try and make CCC look better, when that money could be invested in actually making things better. As a rate payer in an Iga with a financial crisis, I would expect that the nice to haves areas would have budgets cut. Touchy feely areas such as customer experience, marketing etc would be put on hold while actual rates, roads and rubbish are focused on. But instead money continues to be spent hand over fist on fluff instead of on the areas rate payers expect their council to spend money on. How much money was spent, for example, on trying to justify this rate rise to residents? As a resident, I would be more amenable to the rise if I could see that council were spending the money that they do have in the right areas. As an employee, I can see exactly where the money goes and it makes me sick.

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86 suppressed suppress 87 suppressed suppress	sed W22/282 sed W22/283	10yrs Confidential	We haven't received any percentage breakdown Confidential	Some areas of central coast rates rose 45% this financial year. Confidential	Confidential	The only thing council has achieved in past years is wasteful spending, debt and selling of assets Confidential	There has to be a more sustainable way to fix the issues No Confidential No
				As a pensioner on a fixed income, last year's rate rises for council services and water pushed me to the limit of existence in my home. We have not changed our limited usage of council services but now are charged effectively 40% more for			
				the same services especially when the rate rise was supposedly '15%' hiding 'adjustments required' for residents of certain areas of the Gosford council. Until councillors are held responsible for their		This is a joke, the CC Council has made no productivity improvements and actually spent MORE on staffing	
				With inflation running at 3.5% you cannot ask ordinary pensioners like myself to shell out even more of our limited, fixed income to bail out this council. The State government needs to step up with		after the amalgamation than before the councils merged, a direct contradiction to the reason for amalgamation! They continue to WASTE money installing new, unnecessary and much less noticeable signage in Yattalunga,	
		It is absolutely unacceptable and unconscionable for the CC Council to apply for a further 15% rate increase again for next year after assuring residents that last years major hikes to council rates and water rates were a one-off exceptional request to assist with paying off council's outrageous debt of		some funding relief especially now that they are the effective overseer and administration of Central Coast Council. It is especially heinous to ask for another SV rates increase when council is debating spending their increased rate base on such WASTE as new Electric Vehicles for council staff instead of applying it to the services they promised such as		Saratoga and Davistown to name just a few places while the roads are full of potholes everywhere, esp Davistown. The creek that runs through Richardson Rd, past Morrison St and into Brisbane water at Brighton Jetty is so clogged with noxious weeds and storm debris that the creek backs up instantly in a deluge, causing	
88 Moira Mackay		\$500M+ when WE were NOT responsible for the incompetence, graft and mismanagement of the amalgamated council that was forced on us against our will.		roads, parks and waterways maintenance, waste & flood management and completion of projects that have been promised for 30 yrs and never delivered.		flooding of the pedestrian footbridge, cul de sac and properties on either side of the creek, and no amount of notification to council brings any reparation of the weed/ water flow management.	No No
		In every council meeting and newsletter, the council carrys on about the need for rate rise, they talk about if the rate rise is not kept for the full 10 years we will need to cut services to be able to pay the					
		money back. However have they not thought about cutting services even with a rate rise and being clear of the debt in say 3 years? then we can get back to business with lower rates and no debt?? In all honesty i dont understand why there is a need for 1/2 the crap that council are forcing as	Again, there is no need for this extreme rate rise! It is smoke and mirrors, the amount they say we will pay is very rarely the actual amount we will pay.	The effect on the rate payers paying this increase for 10 years is disgusting. And thats if the rate is removed after 10 years the one that former Wyong council rate payers were paying lasted longer than it was meant to and only was		Their productivity improvements was to lay off a heap of people however the job listings appear to be hiring	
		'required' projects there isn't a need, its a desire and only that trying to come up with reasons that they dont have to cut their spending.	if we had people in place that actually had a desire to fix the situation we would be in better situation, instead we are stuck with muppets that keep pushing that the only way to get out of debt is for the hard working coasties to bail them out by forking	rectified as part of the SRV that is currenlty in place. I do not know one person that can honestly afford this increase to continue for 10 years as per my previous comment, i have not had a pay rise in 5 years. so much for CPI hey?? so while		people just as quickly. I see an average of 20+ jobs advertised every week If this is just attrician then we have much bigger issues as that signifies a massive vote of no confidence in the	
		costs, as their pay is not tied in to the council efficiency. My pay is based on performance, why shouldn't theirs? if we are handing these crooks half million dollar salaries without any KPI	over more of our hard earned. In the last 5 years i have not had a pay rise at all and in the last 2 years many people have seen significant reduction to their earnings due to businesses unable to keep people on full time or at all How many pay rises have been applied to staff wages on the central coast council in the last 5 years? or the last 2 years? probably every	the amount this SRV accounts for so where is the rest of the money going?? salaries? additional staff? cause it sure isnt	council are very good at not publicising things that residents need to view, and very good at covering all the newsletters with crap that makes them look good (in their eyes anyway)	SLT, Administrator and the NSW Government as a whole. IE We still havent had any feedback from the "public inquriy" which was meant to have as much power as the "Judicial Inquiry" the rate payers asked for. To this date, no action has been taken against the people that	This whole council and administration needs to be lambda and sick of paying through the nose to cover up the inability of our
89 Craig Doel 90 Sharon Lindop	W22/285 W22/286	requirements we are just asking for history to repeat itself. Confidential	year regardless of the poor performance. Confidential	going to the infrastructure on the north end of the coast Confidential	Confidential	caused this mess and knowingly and unlawfully used restricted funds. Confidential	to read a balance sheet and understand that they need to live within their means!! No Confidential
Name Name			The administrator has been to this point and will continue to be, the community has had no say in the sale of its assets, how they were sold or the prescribed value. No one can place faith in the administrator. We need government	We are entering a period of inflation, to continue this increase is not being considerate of the cost of living pain we are all	The council is not a council, it is an administration. They are following no guidelines they are not sitting they have 10 minute meetings and are being out right ICAC should be reviewing the conduct to this point. Multiple property sales have	We are a community, not a business. productivity improvements do not make better communities, cost	
91 suppressed suppress Name Name 92 suppressed suppress			intervention, assisted funding and continued oversight whilst the council rebuilds. Confidential	going to feel. This is a ridiculous concept and will have a negative impact to property values in the long term. Confidential	been conducted at grossly under valued amounts, we will be in much worse shape if this current plan is executed. Confidential	containment is just cost cutting, our services suffer and we are loosing out. Cease this action. Confidential	No Confidential No
од зарргосой зарргосо	112/200	The Central Coast will be a very sad ghetto if we lose Council Services. I want good roads,					
Name Name 93 suppressed suppress Name Name		playgrounds and sport fields, council clean ups and general good maintenance. I also want Libraries, childcare services and our theatres to remain. We need this or the community will be unlivable	If you want services, you need to pay. I want to live in a welk maintained lical government area so i am happt to pay for this.	I put money aside weekly for my rates. It is not very much money when done this way and is affordable .	The documents are available if you want to read them. No problem there.	Council apoears to have already made savings through job cuts, we don't want further unemployment in the region. We also don't want pools, childcare, theatres and libraries downgraded or disappearing.	Just pass the rate rise so our standard of living in the community is maintained No
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Al		the community had lost their jobs or had their wages reduced yet councillors went ahead to increase their own pay packets. Not long after they announce we are in significant debt. Now they want		The impacts of covid and the current turmoil in the Ukraine have not been taken into consideration. Residents are still recovering from loss of income during covid as well as recent storms let alone the impacts of Russia invading the		This does not address the ways of save allows (OFO The	
Name Name 96 suppressed suppress	sed W22/292	central coast residents to reach into their pockets to pay for this. Residents are struggling and this has not been addressed as part of the administrators submission to extend the SV increase.	It has not been clearly communicated as to what the actual dollar amount the percentage equates to. There is no examples in dollar value of what rates will increase to over the course of the extension.	Ukraine. Petrol prices and the cost of groceries are soaring and interest rates are on their way up. Extending the SV increase would put most central coast residents under enormous financial stress.	They are exhibited	This does not address the wages of councillors/CEO/CFO. These should be frozen for the term of the SV increase. They should be leading by example and the IP&R document clearly shows this is not the case.	No No
Name Name	and Woologs	The Council were reckless with our money. How can we trust them to not further waste the General	The need for the rate rice is what's not clearly defined as accepted in a superior in		We still don't know where the money they wasted went. Giving them higher rates won't solve anything. Exhibiting documents	Their cost cutting measures do not show their westers	Please don't increase our rates for a further 7 years. They have the means to pay their debt without it, instead
97 suppressed suppress Name Name 98 suppressed suppress			The need for' the rate rise is what's not clearly defined or accepted in our community. Confidential	projects aimed to their cronies. Confidential	won't solve anything. Confidential	Their cost cutting measures do not show their wastage. Confidential	they're selling out land at low prices to their developer cronies who then make big \$\$\$ No Confidential No
							IPART should take into consideration councils audited financial statements and audit opinions issued by the nsw audit office, when they are finally issued. To date, this has not happened. Where are they???? Once again council is 8+ months late. The fact the auditors haven't issued their opinions means there is something in there to be
		Where are councils audited financial statements for 2020-2021?? What is hiding in there that we do		How is a 15% rate rise for another 7 years reasonable for anyone???? Council have done nothing to curb efficiencies			concerned with. Last year council was slapped with a qualified opinion. Is there another coming this year??? Last year tried to make it sound like council was not at fault - if it's not council, then who??? The independent
Name Name 99 suppressed suppress Name Name	sed W22/295	not yet know about. There would be a reason the auditors have not issued their audit report yet. What is going on that doesn't want us to know?????	The fact the administrator says this <u>isn't an incre</u> ase but a "continuing of the norm" is indicative of how much they fail to be transparent with their community	internally especially with the executive payroll. I also ask - WHERE ARE COUNCILS AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS??? The fact they are this late should raise serious alarm bells for ipart.			auditors appointed by the parliament??? Is that really what will try AGAIN? IPART should be seriously considering the results of the 2020-21 audit. If there is another qualification, how is council improving? Ridiculous
100 suppressed suppress	sed W22/296	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential No
		Our council does nothing they promise so no to rate rise.					Please do not allow an increase many are already struggling to pay and can't keep paying for their mistakes
101 Kristyanne Ogrady Name Name 102 suppressed suppress		Just splurge the money to line their own pockets Confidential	No communication just lies no to rate rise we already pay one of the highest rates Confidential	This is not fair we are paying for their mistakes if anyone else did what our council did we would be in jail and charged Confidential	No Confidential	No explanation just greed at our expense Confidential	Please consider us No Confidential No
				This would be a disaster for pensioner and low income families. It would push a lot of ratepayers over the edge, leading to			
103 Frank German	W22/300			family breakdowns and suicide. The rate payers have never been at fault in all this.			This council has been so mismanaged financially, all involved should be and never allowed to hold a position
Name Name		Council don't need another revenue path. They don't use the current ones appropriately. We have no curb and gutters for over half of the coast. No maintenance of nature strip's since administration.		2 years of covid and now flooding and now they want a rate rise. Rates have been risen with no increase in services. We			again. And now the people of the coast have to pay for their mismanagement, and they want to pay for it for the next 10 years all while continuing to provide below minimum services. If these people worked for a private
104 suppressed suppress	sed W22/301	Potholes and roads not fixed.	We have not been told what the rate rises will pay for, other than paying off councils previous overspending.	are paying more for less.	We have even have a council they should all be fired for their gross mismanagement of funds.	I am yet to hear of any planned improvement strategies which this rate rise will pay for.	company they would have been No
							Firstly, I would like to say that the rate payers of the Central Coast are NOT responsible for the financial debacle we find ourselves in. It was the COUNCILS OFFICERS who controlled the funds and therefor the Office of Local Government (the councils controlling body) should equally accept the responsibility. Customers should NOT be
Name Name suppressed suppress	sed W22/302						made to pay for the problem, created by the business, by way of ongoing rate increases. There should be no further projects or plans commenced unless the issue is of urgent necessity and applies across the board.
		The current level of services by the council is sufficient. What isn't sufficient is the quality of roads.	The community is aware of councils reasons for wanting the raise.				
106 Thom Newman	W22/303	Rate rises will not affect this as they will remain the same. Central coast residents should not be required to cover council short comings through negligence. Especially after a near 3 year pandemic and now potential floods.	The community however disputes the level of raise required. This raise is a massive over reach on behalf of the council. Financial hardship is currently rife within the central coast. This raise will cause further hardships or worse.	The rate raise proposal is a massive over reach. At a time when people are losing jobs, we can't afford the raise. In perspective, I am a NSW Paramedic. For the last 2 years whilst inflation has risen, we have had a total pay freeze. In effect we have actually had a wage cut due to this. How can residents afford a rate rise when our wages are being cut?		Again, something the council decides to keep quiet on or releases information in methods where specific hunting for information is required. Not easily accessible for the general public.	I strongly oppose the rate rise application by the central coast council. It is massively overreaching what people are capable of paying and will cause much hardship for many people on the central coast. No
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		They had years to sort the finances out, and for years they squandered money and paid it to their					
		mates and cronies and false causes and companies. We spent years in local meetings and writing letters, trying to force them to be open and honest and were faced with threats of legal action, and empty promises and the costs and sights of ridiculous and illegal enterprises like the Chinese					
		Village and University. They're at it again, selling land for \$5m that is probably worth \$30-\$35 The financially stricken Central Coast Council is in the process of selling 144					
		hectares of environmentally sensitive bush land on Thompson Vale Road at Doyalson as part of its asset sale program. "The council would not reveal the price tag, but RP Data recently had it listed					
		for \$5.5 million. The Community Environment Network (CEN) believes the land has potentially high biodiversity		These proposed, accumulative Rate rises will cripple some people, Rate them out of their homes and lifestyles and serve only the Developers and those who benefit from them. They give this Council and others an open invitation to act in the		The cost containment has cost us- no works to speak of. Holes in the ground, gutters so deep one could lose a VW in them, and break a leg or your back if you stumble into them. No Kerb and Guttering- we were told by	
Name Name		value and has questioned why it appears to be such a "massive giveaway". "How can you sell a piece of land for \$5 million when potentially it's worth \$30 million?" said John		same selfish, illegal way, and get away with it- forcing innocent parties to pay for their crimes. Some of these people are those who have been here for years and years, before supermarkets etc. They've paid and helped grow the Coast. Now they're being forced to sell or go into care because there are no decent footpaths, kerb and guttering, ample and decent		representatives at one of the last meetings we attended, which was chaired by that "Kerb and Guttering are not even on the horizon" So we were paying Rates as high as some on the North Shore, and when we asked why that is, one female member of the	
108 suppressed suppress	sed W22/312	Asquith from the CEN"	This is a tremendous betrayal of the Duty of Care that Governments, Councils and Accounting Firms are accountable for.	public transport, hospitals, Doctors, Aged Care. This a shameful act.	Can we also have a full account of how the missing money was spent please?	Bloc blithely replied "lifestyle"	No No
				Given a large percentage of the community are pensioners, retirees and young families who have limited incomes an extended increase could be catastrophic for some community members. Some will loose their houses, some will be forced to leave the community in search of a cheaper rate price. Some will go hungry in order to pay their rates and then there is			
			We the community are not aware of a need to extend the rate rise. The council has stated on numerous occasions at Council meetings that they are doing better than expected. They have already cut services even though they got the initial 3yr rate	complete lack of compassion shown by the administrators who still threatens service cuts. Rate payers are being			
			crisis. The council continues to spend on projects the community would rather not have completed until the financial	are no more service cuts that will not cause major damage to the community both now and in the future. The lack of basic services is already detrimental to the community especially from a tourism perspective. The lack of road maintenance is	There is no Council to adopt this requested Ipart SV extension. Just an administrator who's idea this was so regardless of what		
Name Name 109 suppressed suppress	sed W22/315		mismanagement is under control especially when they are failing to provide basic services like road maintenance and adequate storm water drainage plans.		the community want he will approve the documents and go ahead with the request. We have no democracy here, just a man who is completely out of touch with the Central Coast community.	met by Central Coast Council. Therefor I don't believe an extension request should be approved. The strategies put in place fail to ensure the same financial mismanagement is avoided in the future.	No No
Name Name	and Wiggins			I do not support this rate rise as I don't see that the council uses the money to benefit the residents. Our street doesn't			
110 suppressed suppress	ocu WVZZ/316			even have curb and guttering and the road is atrocious. We already pay too much money and get little in return.			No No
		A 15% rate rise over for a 10 year period, should not be approved, as this money is intended to pay back creditors of this technically insolvent Council. The application is not for the purposes of					
		providing increased services, or addition capital works projects. Therefore, this application should be rejected. In addition, this Council administration, has failed to prove an increased efficiently, improved productivity, or an economy of scales improvement. Therefore, if this application is					
111 Geoff Mitchell	W22/317	approved, Council will have no incentive to drive these improvement changes, and will put this	Regardless of any spin this Council has announced, this application is for the sole purpose of paying back the creditors of this technically insolvent legal entity.	Correct. Therefore, any reasonable person will deem a 15% increase over 10 consecutive years as being unreasonable.	Council is currently under administration, and therefore run as a dictatorship. Therefore, there is no separation of power, between the professional staffing body and the Administrator.	Up to Ipart to access.	Please reject this application, on behalf of the ratepayers, as a successful application will lead to a continued pattern of poor administration of this entity.
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Name Name 113 suppressed suppress	sed W22/325	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential Yes
			When the CCC went bust after 2 previous massive losses we were confronted and are paying an increase in rates now. I				
		Never Never. No more. Get rid of the lot of th	fought the first increase as we have very poor infrastructure as in kerb and guttering and are paying for non-existent storm water. When questioned over it i was told it was for future development. The uproar must have been great because the council took it off the bill and hid it in the end of year rates notice. When said we would forget about the rate				
114 John	W22/326	new increases or devious attempts at extortion. No new paths, no new attempts, just get rid of the lot including the above mentioned who are just bleeding more money from the public	increase and got \$250,000 on a broke budget i went ballistic. I reject the first increase and this attempt to got funds from us rate payers. A Quarter of a Billion loss has been managed by seriously inept people. The CCC cannot expect the ratepayers to pay for their massive loss EVER. Not the first or this new horror story.	No way. Do not even attempt to exonerate by comparison or juggling figures. No new purposes on the public - go find the dough in other ways than the ratepayers we have had more than enough and devious attempts at fabricating reasons for more extortion.	Not only those documents but every document concerning their attempts at becoming an investment body instead of being a council building infrastructure for the ratepayers.	And explain their total mismanagement of ratepayer funds into failed investment schemes instead of doing the normal meat and potato work of a NORMAL council. What a losing our money 3 times. And they remained in place, what a horror story.	No need as you know the rates increases and the new attempt at further Just look up any of the ratepayers bills
Name Name	1122,023		the ratepayers to pay for their massive loss EVER. Not the first or this new norror story. Confidential				
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No.	First Name Last Name R	eference Special Variation Criteria - Your comments on Criterion 1:	Your comments on Criterion 2:	Your comments on Criterion 3:	Your comments on Criterion 4:	Your comments on Criterion 5:	Any additional comments ments
							At 61 years old and lived on the central coast all my life I have been against any rate increase from the beginning of this fiasco, in the real world those responsible would be made accountable for their actions and all we have seen is those responsible let of the hook and I believe one of those concerned got a pay out?
							My greatest concern is that a lot of people on the central coast including myself are low income earners and these increases are just further pressure on our individual budgets.
							Why is the state government not helping financially with this mess as at the end of the day they forced the amalgamation and don't they oversee all councils?
116	Stephen Lobb W	192/220					In closing I'm dead set against any ongoing rate increases because of the incompetence of a few! Maybe the residents of the central coast should initiate a class action in court and make all responsible cough up the money
116	Stephen Lobb W	/22/328	There has been no evidence that the increase will be needed to add services, increase services or be used for a particular				either personally or through indemnity insurance! No
		CC Council is only requesting increase due to current debt brought about by misuse of fund and council/councillors not undertaking necessary checks and balances.	project that will service and benefit the whole community.	The last rate increase did NOT take into consideration the current economic economy brought about by COVID-19. This increase has put undue financial pressure on families with the only relief being that there hasn't been an increase in			
		The CC Council administrator is NOT requesting an increase in rates that will provide additional services for the community or improve current services.	We have been advised that the rates increased will only be yo maintain the current services and if there is no rate increase these services will be drastically reduced.	interest rates, interest rates work hand in hand with council rates as both require to be somewhat connect with property ownership and valuation of property.			
		maintained.	appropriately as per our rates notice to at the least maintain the CC land and community areas. These services have been reduced since the increase that was granted by iPart last year. If you drive around CC you would wonder if we even had a maintenance department as on average the streets of the CC are	Currently the request for increase in rates far exceeds the increase of yearly wages. I myself work as a public servant and my increase is 2%. Therefore it is not relative to expect that I would have expendable funds for increase CC has requested.	There has been NO consultation with the community in relation to this increase let alone any form of exhibited documentation detailing what services will be increase or add for the community to benefit.		I would recommend before iPart makes a decision on extending the rate increase to take into consideration the plimoact the past couple of years has had on the families financial positions as well as the high increase in house values from the change in work conditions allowing people to work freely from home has given people opportunity
		and services has been decreased for example increase in burst water mains, roads not being maintained yo a level that cars won't be damaged, foot paths and reserves not maintained with	main roads which the causes additional damage to land owners property with heavy traffic on road that has no support, weeds and long grass this is just to provide some example that council and now administrator are not following the guidelines			a There was no consultation with the community how funds where being spent which is still tgr current situation to say and I can say my current rates notice include maintaining and improving foot paths. I live on a main high	from their house but it does impact on the valuation and therefore the rates. So the increase has no financial
117	Name Name suppressed W	equipment/foot paths and grasses areas not been serviced to a level that will not cause harm or injury to the community.	provided by iPart when an increase in rates has been improved. There has also been no follow up in the last year to confirm CC has used the increased rates as per submission to iPart in the manner it requested the increase was needed	many families on the central coast as there is large portion of the community that are small business owners.	This is not community consultation it is giving too choices without consideration to the effects on the community for rates they have already paid and services not provided.	traffics road and we don't have kerb or gutters let alone a foot path for residence to safely walk 100m up the road to coles or my kids to school without being on the road way	benefit on these home owners but the increase in land valuation will be a negative impact as this will be how the rates will be valued No
		I believe the rate payers do not deserve to have this rate rise to pay a debt for ten years. The administrator has not shown that by getting council managed & working better that they could save					
		a lot of money!! Why cant they provide the services that are essential now even? The coast will be the Ghettos of sydney if they use this as their excuse,no one can tell me why we have a \$20 million library going ahead with hardly any books but all the streets sre full of potholes & weeds? That is not		I cannot afford a rate rise & its worse when you know that this ongoing rate rise will not get you anything at all !! Just the			
118	Theresa Troy W	good management !! These things need to be addressed before a rate rise & there's plenty of money being wasted every day on non essential things !!! Its actually criminal !!!	I believe the community knows nothing about rate rise or understands it !! Whenever there is a post on facebook complaining about council, i try & tell people about it & they don't believe me	basics if that !!! In my neighbourhood we are already whippersnipping parks & public areas, mowing & cleaning areas council will not take care of. We even have a lady marking potholes to avoid damage to our cars !!!	I have not heard about these documents	The administrator has stated this rate rise will not improve services, i think they will still be reduced !!	No to rate rise. Yes to better management & spending!! Yes to Government helping Council out of this mess before the Coast is run into the ground & becomes known as the Ghettos of Sydney. No
119	Name Name suppressed W	Please read our submission as attached in file "To ipart Central coast council .doc" Why is Central Coast Council being allowed to appeal IPART's 2021 decision, when ratepayers had no right of appeal?1.1 In May 2021, IPART largely rejected	Please read our submission as attached in file "To ipart Central coast council .doc" The "financial need" criterion IPART must not incentivize poor performance	Please read our submission as attached in file "To ipart Central coast council .doc"	Please read our submission as attached in file "To ipart Central coast council .doc"	Please read our submission as attached in file "To ipart Central coast council .doc"	Please read our submission as attached in file "To ipart Central coast council .doc" Yes
		CCC's application for a permanent 15% Special Variation (SV). IPART restricted the SV to three years. IPART explained the main reason for its decision was the SV would raise far more money than was needed for its stated	"Fixable but unfixed bad performance is bad character and tends to create more of itself, causing more damage to the excuse giver with each tolerated instance."				
		purposes, mainly paying off emergency loans from the financial crisis. IPART also suggested that CCC should use the breathing space to improve productivity and liberate efficiencies from the merger.	Charlie Munger, Vice Chair Berkshire Hathaway 2.1 The OLG regulations require IPART to assess the "financial need" of Councils when determining applications for special variations (SVs). OLG regulations should, however, be				
		1.2 Within a month of that decision, however, and having made no further effort to improve productivity or liberate efficiencies from the merger, CCC resolved to reapply for a 10- year SV (in effect permanent) this year.	applied with common sense because an overly literal interpretation would enable Councils to "game the rules" by, for example, intentionally creating financial need by overspending 2.2 IPART uses the Operating Performance Ratio (OPR) to measure financial need. The OPR,				
		1.3 CCC itself confirms this is an appeal against the 2021 decision on page 23 of its own 2022 application: "While the exhibition process occurred during December and January (22 December to 21	however, is really a measure of how well a Council manages its finances. Councils can intentionally create a lower OPR simply by increasing expenditure to unsustainable levels – thereby unlocking IPART's criteria for a rate hike.				
		January), this SV is a repeat of last year's applicationThe community has had multiple opportunities to comment on this SV over the past 12 months, as part of last year's application and this year's repeat application."1.4 CCC's new application is therefore an application and the National Application is the provided and the National Application is the Part of May 2021 Determination.	2.3 This demonstrates why IPART needs to interpret the OLG regulations with common sense. In particular, IPART needs to take account of what has created the "Financial Need" in the first place. Central Coast Council (CCC) freely admits its "Financial Need" was caused by its Proposed by the common sense of the council of the council of the council proposed by the				
		appeal against IPART's May 2021 Determination. IPART's rules do not allow appeals against its decisions. Certainly, ratepayers, who opposed the three-year SV, were given no right of appeal against the decision. This is yet another example of the way IPART, which exists to protect customers from monopoly	own financial mismanagement. Ratepayers should not have to pay for this. Where did all the money go? 2.4 We can see this very clearly in the increase in employee costs between 2017 and 2020, as reported in the Administrator's 30-day report. Employee numbers rose 12.9% during this period. But what is truly shocking is that employee costs over the same period rose 33.1%				
		pricing, has processes that are engineered to assist Councils more than the ratepayers it exists to protect.1.5 Nothing has changed since May 2021. Council still argues it needs \$110 M from rates to	(see picture 1).				
		repay the financial crisis loans with the rest coming from asset sales and other means. CCC has confirmed this in public many times, for example Rik Hart in Coast News on 2 July:	which are typically 2-3%2.6 Normally, if employee numbers rise 12.9% you might expect employee costs to rise by a similar percentage plus a bit extra for annual award increases. So, for employee costs to rise two and a half times faster than employee numbers shows the extent of above award				
		"The plan to pay (the loans) includes writing off about \$40M in internally restricted funds; selling assets of about \$60M and paying off the rest – about \$110M – over a 10-year period."11.5 Nothing has changed since May 2021. Council still argues it needs \$110 M from	pay increases, more expensive Executive contracts, and other perks in this period. 2.7 Some of this was done under the guise of "pay harmonization" post Council merger. This				
120	Name Name suppressed W	rates to repay the financial crisis loans with the rest coming from asset sales and other means.	evaluations to reflect merged organization charts. There is no reason this should have happened on the scale that it did. It was an uncontrolled excess by a self-interested bureaucracy.				No
121	Wyn Williams W	/22/337					This Council must be the worst everthey do nothing but up Rates Payment where is our money going definitely not to the upkeep of the area they are supposed to look after
	Name Name	Outrageous - increase, was as stated by Rik Hart only meant to be on the land value of a rate payers residential property - as put forward by the Valuer General (my Land Rates went up by 45%)	15% rate increase for 3 years on top of the already approved CPI / Inflation increase is more than enough if council get some	Our rates have already gone up by 45% for the next 3 Years. If this is then maintained for an additional 7 years it would be totally unjust and an unfair financial burden impacted upon us through the outrageous mismanagement and financial overspending of \$565,000,000.00.	These documents should be thoroughly scrutinised by a professional, impartial and independent auditing company. i.e. Deloitte	Past years ??? not attempted or achieved "cost containment strategies the council has realised in past years" During the years 2017 to 2021 the CCC totally squandered so much money and yet did not achieve true levels	Please do not approve these ongoing increases on the rates of the honest and hard working rate payers of the
122	suppressed suppressed W	/22/338 for the FY 2021 - 2022.	professional people to analyse the needs and then manage its operations over the next 3 years.		and also ASIC and ACCC.	of repairs, maintenance or improvements to most of the categories it is meant to look after.	Central Coast. No
123	Christine Champion W	There is no need or desire by most council residents to continue with the rate increases. We need and desire action on/ with what has already been granted. I have received no official documentation outlining the above.	I personally have not received any formal notification by mail or email. If this is in print it is not readily available.	The impact would not be reasonable most individuals and businesses are still recovering from Covid financial distress. Loss of jobs and businesses, we don't need landlords hiking rents to cover rate rises.	I believe this has been done without community support.	The documents might explain but the community can't see any present improvements. We have third world roads, new game 'Dodgem Pot Holes,' created by the present council system.	Let them work with the current 3 year granted. Show us what they are capable of doing, then bring any other increases to the table. The community did not create the current situation, we need proof the money we are giving them is being used wisely, 3 years is sufficient base to show what can be achieved.
		We object to the outrageous proposal to increase the rates by 15.55%. This is going to compound over 7 years to an increase in rates by 275%. A household paying say \$2000 for their annual rate will in 7 years pay: \$5500!! Ratepayer may be facing increasing interest on their mortgages in					
		years to come (which is highly likely) they will find it difficult to make "ends meet" The services that the community has experienced in the resent years do not justify the enormous amount of money the Central Coast Council has spent. It is imperative that the whole operation of					It is important to column deduce that many Pate Payore have not get the time or conshills to involve the many or in
124	Stefan and Wendy Bjarne W	providing community service must be radically streamlined and made more efficient. //22/340	We definitely agree that the community should be able to be fully informed (and clearly) what the council is doing, and what impact it has on the community.	We totally agree. This Criteria must be adhered to full.			It is important to acknowledge that many Rate Payers have not got the time or capability to involve themselves in Council Business and to consider every Issue. However they have to pay their rates no matter what. They are compelled to trusting that the Council is managing their operation responsibly from a financial point of view.
							Please see attached statement by Kevin Brooks. He has perfectly summed up the sentiments of most of Central Coast residents.
125	Christine Kingston W	J22/342					Senior Management of Central Coast Council have wasted the ratepayers money & no one seems to be held accountable. Instead of increasing efficiency they slug the ratepayers with further increases which no one can afford. We have had Covid issues now flooding issues there has been a lack of services in this area for a very long time & the everyday hardworking ratepayer has had enough. Yes
		suffered through last year would be criminal. It is more proof there has been substantial abuse of tax payers funds which will be further grounds for the council to be audited. It would put vulnerable	Another rate rise by the 'autocratic' Central coast council in addition to the one rate payers have suffered through last year	Another rate rise by the 'autocratic' Central coast council in addition to the one rate payers have suffered through last		,	Another rate rise by the 'autocratic' Central coast council in addition to the one rate payers have suffered through
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128	Name Name suppressed W	/22/345	Smoke and mirrors is what the council do, we want a straight answer	I have owned a house, and at times multiple houses, in this area since I was 21, I am now 44 and for as long as I can remember I have been paying inflated rates to continually get the council out of trouble, when does it end and when will they be held accountable for their actions?	They expect us to pay without having all available information	This has been an issue for years. If the council worked in the private sector the productivity rate alone would bankrupt this business within years. Realistic budget and making people accountable if budgets are not met are a must.	I am continually amazed about the fact that the council has on multiple occasions needed the rate payers to bail them out. I will not purchase an investment property in this area until such time as budgets are met and councillors and senior staff can read a profit and loss statement.
		As a single pensioner, the rate increases of 42% to date have become unaffordable,					
		As it would also be for a ratepayer on a fixed income, If it were to increase any further, this would cause hardship for many of us, we are all proud people, and actions beyond our control have created a very worrying situation for us. Considering the central coast council administrator does not recognise this as creating a difficult	Without having seen the outcome of the public inquiry and the release by the State Government of the findings into how the council ended up in the current situation, how can we be aware of the need for this if we don't know how it came about in the				
		situation for many of us.	first place. How can we assess if the same situation doesn't arise in the future if we don't know what exactly caused the need for rate increase applications.				
129	Name Name suppressed W	outgoings. Council income will benefit considerably when the new valuations are applied, this has not been recognised in the current application.	There have been many contradictory opinions of what caused this, as ratepayers we need to see why before we can agree to any extension of what has already been approved by IPART. That surely would be a requirement before any further consideration of what council have applied for.	I do not consider this application to be reasonable at all, council are assuming we all can afford this, this in far beyond fixed income ratepayers, my rates have increased to the maximum of my affordability, 43% and asking to pay the 15% more than what has already been approved is beyond comprehension.	The administrator released and "displayed" documents of over 450 pages at a very busy end of year Xmas period. I think that doesn't need a comment.	After reading most of this, I gave up, it doesn't sit well at all with me that council are doing this without the ratepayers seeing a report from the public inquiry so we can make an informed decision.	No
							The Central Coast Council does not have a revenue problem, rather a productivity problem. Until such time as they are able to demonstrate efforts in improving efficiency and productivity, consideration for a Special Rate Variation should not be given.
							When benchmarked against other similar-sized councils in Australia (eg. City of Canterbury-Bankstown NSW, City of Casey VIC, Moreton Bay Regional Council QLD and Logan City Council QLD), controlling for differences in
							services offered (for example, not all councils are also a water authority), they have a higher staff to population ratio than ALL like-sized councils. Arguably the Central Coast Council also has a lower-level of customer satisfaction than any of the aforementioned councils too. The most notable comparison that can be made is against Logan City Council, which has an almost identical population, higher population growth rates and is also a
							against Logan City Council, which has an almost identical population, higher population growth rates and is also a water authority. That Council has just over 1600 staff, against the Central Coast Council's 2000+ staff. The different is significant and suggests further staff number reductions can be achieved without the reduction in service levels that the Administrator is
	Name Name						I am of the view that IPART should hold the Central Coast Council accountable to demonstrating tangible productivity improvements and expense reduction efforts during the years in which the existing SRV applies,
130	suppressed suppressed W Name Name	/22/348	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	before an additional SRV can be considered. No Confidential
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							I believe the council submission to you is full of spin the council is now saying unless they get this rate rise they will cut more services I ask why the level of staff have not been cut in line with the service cuts .If you do less work you need less staff that would be a saving ,they could also cut the number of managers to the services they
133	Name Name suppressed W	/22/351					manage if no work why are they need another saving this council only seems interested in saving their jobs this seems to be from the top down
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	Council will (and have) provided many tables and graphs trying to justify that an extension to the					
	Special Variation for a total of 10 years is the only FINANCIAL option for council given the debacle that has been the Central Coast Council for the past several years. The residents, small business					IPART has already reviewed a submission from Central Coast Council for a 15% Special Variation Rate increase. When considering all the factors IPART identified that a 3 year Special Variation Rate increase of 15% struck the
	and rate payers of the Central Coast have already borne the brunt of these financial hardships. Council clearly believes that it is justifiable to continue to inflict further burden on the people of the Central Coast in order for the present Administrator to "prove" that he has miraculously "saved" the	Central Coast rate payers are acutely aware of the financial situation in which council find THEMSELVES. This massive financial hole is not as a result of activities by the residents, small business and ratepayers but by Councils own mismanagement. IPART have asked the residents of the Central Coast to help Council's financial circumstances by	What Council has failed to recognize or acknowledge is that Central Coast Rated DID NOT rise by the 15% as they continually state. At the time of the 15% Special Variation, Council also undertook to align the rates between the previous			balance between assisting Council reestablish its financial credibility and set itself up to be more financially responsible, whilst at the same time ensuring that the Central Coast residents were not perpetually or excessively financially challenged during a very difficult time for many.
	Central Coast by financially "fixing" the issues in such a hurry by targeting ratepayers.	increasing rates under the three year Special Variation. This 3 year boost to funding, has/will be sufficient to set council on a more responsible financial trajectory. A 10 year burden on the residents of the Central Coast is irresponsible and an			As Administrator for the Central Coast his primary responsibility to the ratepayers is to ensure that the services	
Name Name suppressed suppressed	issues on the coast will not be a quick fix. We are here for the long haul but council needs to strike W22/352 the balance by working WITH the Central Coast Ratepayers and not against them.	unreasonable financial burden on individuals an small business already dealing with the massive financial costs from the COVID inflicted downturn.	25% to over 40%. Compared to the prior period our rates have increased by 42% NOT 15%. Three years of this rate hike is manageable for us. 10 years with these rates will break us.			we could ask where the time, money and resources spent by council presenting another submission to IPART may have been better spent in the interest of the Central Coast Residents.
						I have read and wholeheartedly agree with MR Kevin Brooks submission and am using it as my submission also. I have zero confidence in CCC it's CEO, Administrator and decision making staff. Their frustrates
						residents on a daily basis. I'm currently receiving advice from the IPC, the Information and Privacy Commission regarding a breach of my personal information after being a victim of crime in a matter that involved CCC and I've
						been waiting 6 months for a response from the CEO
						I am extremely confident that councils \$20,000,000 library/ council chamber will be discussed once again as it was 8 months ago when CCC boasted about it forging ahead, shortly after CCC started pushing for the rate rise to
						continue past the 3 years IPART approved and as the community was outraged Council has gone quiet on that discussion. How can a council be so ignorant of the ratepayers concerns and ask for more money for less services all the while continuing to waste money and discuss building new " libraries " the same year the closed
						much loved libraries in the community. CCC in its wisdom still operate child care centres at a loss! This is another example of dreadful decision making
						and money wastage. The new CEO was hired on a wage higher than the premier in the past 12 months all the while while council says
						it has a revenue problem. Council builds a new playground within 20 metres of a functional playground! Crushing a residents registered legally parked car during COVID lockdown!
						The waste of money residents see every week. We take it personally as we are paying for this incompetence and we have had enough!
Nome						We are all outraged and fed up! I could go on but I'm currently suffering from COVID symptoms I must do this submission for my family, friends and colleagues to fight this council!
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	This bureaucratic mismanagement has to stop. They made redundant front line staff to line the management pockets. No basic services are now provided to the ratepayers.	Repetitive questions have been left unanswered by a multitude of highly paid managers as to where the 500million of lost money went!	Shut this monstrosity council down, it is controlled by overpaid bureaucrats who have no contraception of the burden they			You expect that the purse strings of common people to prop up a hugely top heavy bureaucracy is a joke as you
137 Gregory Phillips	W22/355 I'm not paying for thrived to stay in control	Also what employee numbers are and their respective roles where any reduction has been made	are placing on common people. Their original increase should never have been allowed	They have provided no information to ratepayers	They have no ethical attitude to ratepayers	No
						Financialy I will be in danger of not having the financial ability to pay the Rates on my home/property for more than
	Never ever been made aware of the IP&R documents or the information withing the document by					a couple of years. Absolute falsehood presented by council. I have paid rates to this council for the past 24 years and the only
Name Name 138 suppressed suppressed	the council. No information ever supplied to me as a home owner/rate payer W22/356	Never ever been made aware of the IP&R documents or the information withing the document by the council. No information ever supplied to me as a home owner/rate payer	Never ever been made aware of the IP&R documents or the information withing the document by the council. No information ever supplied to me as a home owner/rate payer		Never ever been made aware of the IP&R documents or the information withing the document by the council. No information ever supplied to me as a home owner/rate payer	service I have ever recieved from this council is Garbage Collection. Council Information at the time of purchase stated that my street was to be realigned and have Kirb & guttering within 5 years of the date of purchase. Roughly every 2 years they show up to fill washouts on the roadway with more bloody stones
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Name Name	W22/357 Central Coast Council misappropriated funds and expect ratepayers to pay for their folly	As a ratepayer, the increase sought is exhorbinant	Self funded retires and aged pensioners cannot afford these rate increases. CPI is less than 2% yet the rate increase is 15%.	Incompetent counsellors. State Govt wanted the councils to merge (Mike Baird) but not supported locally. State Govt should cover costs	The CCC has already proven inefficiencies. Must not be allowed to continue	State Govt responsible for local councils merging. Too large an area for one Council. Incompetent financial management. Debt should be met by State Govt not ratepayers. Unconscionable conduct by those in holding office. Do not punish the ratepayer, punish those responsible for the debts
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Name Name 140 suppressed suppressed	I object to this due to appalling lack of services and support from the State Government. W22/358 It is their responsibility.	I object to this due to appalling lack of services and support from the State Government. It is their responsibility.	I object to this due to appalling lack of services and support from the State Government. It is their responsibility.	I object to this due to appalling lack of services and support from the State Government. It is their responsibility.	I object to this due to appalling lack of services and support from the State Government. It is their responsibility.	The People of the Central should NOT be responsible for any Rates Variation increases. The State.Government got us into this mess, they should get us out of it. The lack of services for this large tourist area shows. It's appalling, unsanitary, unsafe and dangerous. Shame, Shame, Shame on you all.
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		r Council has not been honest and transparent about the financial situation with ratepayers, how is it possible that it now wants	Once again the long term effect of this rate rise places huge financial pressure on ratepayers who are already under the			
Name Name 142 suppressed suppressed			low end of income earners . This rate rise will send ratepayers into extreme financial hardship and possibly trigger social and political backlash against the State government and Local government.	Hidden on the Council website? I have not seen any advertisement for where it can be examined. Deliberate miscommunication with ratepayers.	Who has read this document? They have no contrition about the loss or who was to blame, how can you have a strategy with publicly acknowledging what was the cause?	The ratepayers of the Central Coast will caused huge financial damage by this Council that has no interest in decreasing its spending culture.
Name Name	I feel the council should source their revenue raising through different sources . I believe further internal cuts should be made before slogging the rate payers.				I am yet too any improvement from the last increase. If anything, the council have cut more services. With treats to cut more if they don't get their own way.	more wasted spending and be accountable for the spending that is being made.
Name Name 143 suppressed suppressed	W22/361 levels stil need to be cut.	Council have been very sneaky and selective in their community awareness campaigns. A lot of locals I have spoken to do not know about this increase extension.	Given we are a low socioeconomic area and a large portion of pensioners, I think this is a strain on the community that should be avoided.		doing as they are suppose to. There is no trust in the council from the community.	It will take years for the community to recover financially from covid . Let's not put more hardship on the local businesses and people for longer.
Name Name 144 suppressed suppressed Name Name	Not right that customers have to pay for councils wrong doing. Not happy to have to pay rate increase.	Transparency don't just rely on ratepayers to blindly pay increase to fix up.	I can't afford the expected annual rate increases ②	Transparency <	Council stuff up Not right ratepayers have to fix up!	No
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						I am so offended by the propaganda being put out saying what a great job they are doing raising funds etc when all they are doing is selling out assets and asking us for more money - both of these are simply delving into our
	There is not a need to increase to deliver services - the rates we are paying are more than					bank accounts and then asking us to be grateful for their hard work - someone needs to step up and fight for our rights - we were forced to merge, Wyong council had plenty of money and now we are being asked to pay for everything. No one wants to address the elephant in the room is that some ratepayers contributed much more
Name Name 166 suppressed suppressed	adequate had our funds not been mismanaged. The focus should be on recovering compensation W22/384 for the mismanaged funds or seeking state or federal compensation.	I am aware of fund mismanaged but do not see any evidence that the need to provide extra funds should be the ratepayers responsibility it's the easy choice by us into it rather than pursuing morally correct paths of rectification	Reasonable has already been implemented and any further increase is unacceptable. Interest rates, food, electricity have and are all increasing and further rate rises are unacceptable	No idea all we get is fluffy letters saying we are doing everything for you	That horse has bolted - there only focus seems to be selling off our assets and asking us for more money - no self reflection at all	money to the original merger than others and this needs to be addressed. Sick of being treated like fools and getting nothing back - can't even get curb and guttering and a decent road or drainage
Name Name 167 suppressed suppressed	W22/385		I will have to sell my home if more rate rises occur. I budget to my last dollar and have no room to move			No No
						As a central coast council rate payer I'm disgusted at this special variation and rate rise. My rates are increasing by \$637 from last year.
						The council lost a lot of money and now they expect us rate payers to foot the bill for their outrageous spending Our road are disgusting and full of potholes, we can't drive along a lot of roads safely without swerving to miss the potholes, or end up hitting the potholes and damaging our cars.
Name Name						Our rates are already high and to increase them is going to put a lot of residents into financial hardship, I don't know how pensioners are going to survive with another rate rise. I am furious with central coast council.
168 suppressed suppressed	W22/387					This is outrageous the State Government should take responsibility for this council mismanagement, there should
169 peter godfrey	W22/386					have been auditing processes in place to prevent this ever happening. The merger was their idea and it has been a disaster. They should bear the cost not the poor ratepayers and the Councilors' who did this should be investigated and held to account.
						I do not support this rate increase. Council continue to show they have no idea of the needs and requirements of
Name Name 170 suppressed suppressed	We were told the first rate increase was to cover the debt and now being told that the original rates were not enough to provide the required services to the residences. I do not believe this.	We are told differing amounts and different reasons continuously also the amounts quoted always seem to be the lowest figures available and not average or normal \$ increase	Heavy impact on residents that have already just had a major increase		To me it appears these financial plans change frequently. Does not appear the current management has a good knowledge of the required services to residents and this costs. Services levels going down yet rates going up	the area. They are selling off assets at well below value and continuing to spend on the not essential items while stating they cannot fund items like garage remove, road maintenance, Tuggerah lake dredging No
Name Name	Being on a aged Pension I feel what rates I pay and what services Council provide in my area where I live, Tuggerah, are very unfair. Yet they want more after putting us in so much debt. Even more upsetting is that it seems they have gotten away with their wasteful spending of our				As far as I can see, Council was mismanaged and we, the Central Coast rate payers are penalised and being	I know Central Coast Council will increase our rates. If they provided the services in my area, Tuggerah, that they used to do like street sweeping, tidying up their trees, mowing the laneways, that's fine but I know it won't happen.
	W22/388 ratepayers money. ②	Central Coast Council do not deserve to get more rate money. ②	We pay enough now, especially Pensioners. ②	What happened to all the extra rate money over the years? ②	penalised again with more rate hikes. SO UNFAIR! ②	We have snakes in this area also. ② No
						My submission is NO to the rise. NO TO THE EXTENSION OF ALREADY OVER PRICED RATES BECAUSE OF MISMANAGEMENT.
					Council sold a block of land in a fire sale. Buyer resold land to developer 6 weeks later for 120,000,000 dollar	
	No to raise. Incompetent council, should of been pai by public inability and professional misconduct insurance.	Absolute misanagement of funds. Lies and cover-ups.	Already the increases have created a new level of level of monetary strain on the residents further increases will mean further disadvantege/crippling us ratepayers nto a new level of poor. No food on table/no school excursion. Reduced quality of life		profit. Is this rate rise really being taken seriously by ipart. This council needs	NO TO ALLOWONG THIS COUNCIL TO CONTINUE TO RATEPAYERS
172 Bryan Smith	W22/390 Absolutely disgusted by ccc action and lies.	They need to manage rate payers funds properly not increase due to poor accounting and illegal use of our money	Destute	No rise extension. No rise in rates.	senior level managers moved on.	NO NO NO
Name Name	Not when the need for more funds is a direct result of council's mismanagement. Extremely unfair	Community questioned dies NOT realize to the reason of 1911	It's not just an increase in rates but also an increase in land value by the valuer general making payments a lot higher for residents. For our home the increase is a massive 27%.	Approved by the council??? Of course they will approve it!!!	If they have made significant changes to their productivity they won't need to increase our rates by exorbitant amounts to find their past mistakes. A strong and inciteful manager would be able to make changes within their	
173 suppressed suppressed Name Name 174 suppressed suppressed	W22/391 for struggling ratepayers to foot the bill W22/392	Community awareness dies NOT make it ok to proceed with it. the community is well aware of ongoing wastage of rates with CCC. The talk of a new \$20,000,000 library/ new council	Also water rates have increased over recent years. Our water rates almost doubled this year!!!!	What about being approved by the residents? We are the ones having to find the gross mismanagement of our council.	organisation and stop so much obvious wasteage of money.	No more rate rises! Pushing coasties to homelessness! No
Name Name		chambers, has discretely subsided whilst Rik Hart resumes his push for the ongoing rate rise that IPART didnt approve in Councils first submission. CCC thinks IPART got it wrong the first time.				my submission agrees with the points addressed in the attached link.
175 suppressed suppressed	W22/393					i strongly oppose the rate rise Yes
						i cannot afford the rate increase. Housing on the Central Coast has already sky rocketed
						rates will go up in an extraordinary manner due to the rise in land values and hundreds of homes are being built which brings in more revenue
Name Name suppressed suppressed	W22/394					there is too many senior staff on excessively high wages asking for more money!!! NO NO NO MORE! with a CEO on half a million dollar wage why cant HE take a pay cut!!! Yes
						Single father. Middle aged man. Recently divorced attempting to pay child support, raising a son, mortgage and trying to build super up as ex took half.
Name Name 177 suppressed suppressed	W22/395					Rate hike. You have to be joking. Cant afford it. Worked hard all my life unable to retire and this rate hike will be the icing on the cake.BROKE. BROKE. I appose.
178 Judy Milling	W22/396					I don't agree with the CCC rate hikes. We, as a community already pay rates and water rates that have increased. This rate hike will make it untenable for many of the residents . Please do not allow CCC to raise the rates.
179 Elaine Sumner	W22/397					I disagree with the rate increase No
		The Council have not consulted the community regarding the rate rise. They have in fact been very sneaky and have not disclosed the full extent of a compounding rise and what that means for	The impact on ratepayers will be extreme if this is passed.		Productivity improvements? There has been zero productivity for years!	
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193 Vicki Carmady	W22/410 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential No
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195 David Aliprandi	W22/413 Please stop this council from gouging the ratepayers!	Please DO NOT approve this SRV. This incompetent council surveys to suit their own agenda and twist results to suit their own agenda and twist purposes	Please refuse this SRV. Council spend like no tomorrow on everything except providing basic services	Please REJECT this SRV !!!	around in 2 year old trucks doing NO WORK. Please REJECT this SRV	No No
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	None of the above are relevant to this submission. Misappropriation of funds, previously, lack of		of funds, developing a dinosaur regional library with office buildings on top, instead of following through with a money making educational centre which would have changed the Gosford landscape in a most positive and 21st century way. This would have connected with tafe and providing a pathway all the way down to waterfront. This project had been all bu		That would a fictional novel. We need the facts. The new ceo Mr Farmer has done zero to change anything that	
Name Name 196 suppressed suppressed	downsizing when amalgams, both employees through attrition, and council depots and and W22/414 increase of employee wages, benefits increases and most not required.	Evidence gathered from a slanted and inappropriate survey, not giving any options to disagree, or any comment. This should be reviewed for integrity. You will find none.	d approved, it was architecturally designed, thousands of hours spent by both council and private citizens, only to be stopped at the last post.	Not relevant, need to look much deeper.	he was brought on board to do, unlike apparent other councils that he has turned around. Something stinks in this administration.	Investigate the already full information and evidence available. Please do not allow another or continued rate rise, it just gets spent on long lunches and higher wages, more employees, more unrequired benefits.
Name Name 197 suppressed suppressed	Excessive rate increases have already been passed onto residents - with services well below that W22/415 which existed previously. A further special rate increase should not be agreed to.	A great majority of ratepayers do not agree with the council rhetoric about the need for further increases. Management need to take decisive action to reduce costs and improve productivity and not rely on ratepayer increases	There is nothing reasonable about recent rate increases, nor the current application of another rate hike.			I strongly oppose any further increase in Council rates.
Name Name 198 suppressed suppressed	W22/417					I oppose paying a rate hike.
199 Cheryle Carmichael		Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential
						If ratepayers are forced to bail-out mal-adminstration by the Council on this occasion, what will stop it happening
						If the financial position of the Council is so dire, why does the Council not start by lowering the obscene
200 Glenn Fischer	W22/418					remuneration earned by the Council's General Manager and other executives? Especially when that's where the fault lies.
						All I have to say is why should ratepayers continue to pay for Councils incompetence and mismanagement of
						OUR money. No changes have been made in how OUR money is spent. Upper management is still grossly overpaid and still pretty much Before utilising a rate hike on ratepayers at the worst possible time thanks to Covid, completely restructuring and
Name Name 201 suppressed suppressed	W22/419					cleaning out the deadwood from council should happen first. For example Council advertising a brand new position for a staff morale officer is just one example of wasting money.
	The ratepayers and voters were given no say whatever in the amalgamation of councils. The					
Name Name	consequences of the amalgamation is the mess that State Government under Michael Baird created. It should be up to State Government to correct their mistakes, not ratepayers/voters	Would not have been necessary if councils had not been amalgamated	As a pensioner, this will impose more financial burden that is the creation of Michael Baird State government. You broke it, you fix it. Give the Coast its democracy back and that is in place of a democratically elected council			End the and return democracy to the people of the Central Coast No
203 suppressed suppressed	W22/421 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential No How can they lose half a billion dollars?
						Who is accountable? Where did it go? Nobody can afford rates.
						Camper vans camping - why do pay rates and they camp free and they use facilities? Dog poo on streets. Trees dead and dropping limbs,
Name Name suppressed suppressed	W22/422					No service Need independent inquiry No
						As Pearl Beach ratepayers, full time residents and self founded retirees we were shocked at the current increase
						in our rates bought on by incompetence, unaccountability and goodness knows what else by the CCC. This increase suggestion made by CCC, to remain in place for a further 10 years, affects so many residents who are not holiday makers or owners of investment properties that rent out to AIRB&B and the like. Meaning that for a
						lot of us this increase will be impossible to sustain and very likely mean that selling up is the only viable option for us, which is already happening. Is this what the government wants - for us to move out and leave our beautiful village for wealthy Sydney property investors to enjoy the spoils? We see nothing being done by CCC for our
						village. The roads and sidewalks are a disgrace and very dangerous for traffic and walkers, potholes everywhere and nowhere to walk but in the road. Proper road development wanted more than ever with the huge increase of
						visitors. It's impossible to imagine that any further increase in rates can fix the issues while such a level of inability and in a council with no accountability for misappropriation of public money.
Nove Nove						For the reasons stated above we strongly object to the increase for a ten year period.
Name Name 205 suppressed suppressed	W22/423					No No
206 Mary Daly	W22/424 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential Reading through Mr Kevin Brooks submission, watching him at Council meetings and been interviewed on Central
						Coast ABC breakfast radio I need to express I could not agree more with his submission and hence I attached the same for my submission.
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			There are many ways to manage money. Central Coast Council seems to mismanage it and then	Library had NOTUNO assessment at the second all NOT ONE WORD. The Council is had in a fact had a second library			Selling stuff does not constitute productivity improvements. That is called selling the farm. It is only a short time ago we were told that Council was 500 million in debt. We now have enormous loans to service. Maybe a pay	I am getting less services.
Name 213 suppres	Name ssed suppre	ne la	ose the funds, so why should they be the ones to bail the Council out, especially as many of the	and no responsibility taken for actions. I know nothing of the increases,	Purpose of the variation??? To fill the huge hole created by this Council themselves. No one has enough funds these days to pay more for services that are decreasing all the time. The phones are never answered when I do have an issue and the only communication is the rate notice.	Exhibited where? And communicated how? To whom? When? This authoritarian Administrator seems to view ratepayers as an inconvenience to be ignoredas long as they pay the increase he wants to fund his lifestyle. Where is our representation?????		Now I am being asked to pay more. That is not management I support. Save money by all the senior management, for a start. No
								Central Coast Council (CCC) admits in its own submission that this is a "repeat application." It is essentially the same application CCC submitted last year and was partially rejected by IPART. CCC is therefore in effect appealing against t is therefore effectively an appeal against that decision. Many people in our community who took the time to make submissions last year have told me they won't be doing so again this year because they don't have the time to respond year after year to a Council that won't take no for an answer. Nor do they see the point when it seems obvious IPART's processes are rigged against us. This is not a level playing field. In the past two years CCC has spent millions of dollars (ironically ratepayers' money) in staff costs, consultancies and other costs putting together its submissions. Community members have to use our own resources in our own time. CCC receives "assistance" from IPART officials on its application - and opportunities for behind the scenes lobbying and relationship building. We are given no such access. CCC can submit repeat applications year after year. We have no right of appeal.
214 Kevin	Brooks		Central Coast Council has failed to meet this criterion as explained in section 2 of my uploaded ubmission.	Central Coast Council has failed to meet this criterion as explained in section 3 of my uploaded submission.	Central Coast Council has failed to meet this criterion as explained in section 4 of my uploaded submission.	Central Coast Council has failed to meet this criterion as explained in section 5 of my uploaded submission.	Central Coast Council has failed to meet this criterion as explained in section 6 of my uploaded submission.	No wonder many in our community have simply become cynical about this process. Yes
							As there was no inquiry as to why the previous Council failed so spectacularly financially, why should we believe that the current Council will perform any better? We have had a deterioration of services over the last 12 months, in many instances:- from uncleared, unsafe grass verges on roads without footpaths, so overgrown as to reduce visibility dangerously; to the typical 20 min to 30 min wait whenever I have tried to call the council's customer service phone; to weeks waiting for a response to a simple query (logged via CCC customer service which states it will be 5 business days for response when in fact it has been more than 12 in my own personal experience, twice).	
							Moreover, the Administrator has made it clear in not so subtle methods, that if people do not support CCC's request for the 10 year SV, he will reduce even further. It feels like blackmail, especially as we ratepayers are NOT the ones who misused the funds ILLEGALLY!! There has been no improvement of services with my 40+% rate increase!	I was going to attempt to write this submission based fully on all the Criteria outlined, but have found it too difficult to express my feelings, so will just finish with my honest opinion. Overall, this whole process, finding out the Central Coast Council was so deeply in debt, despite the fact that it had been audited TWICE, having to write another submission in regards to the impact of the unreasonable,
		s	Our rates went up more than 42% in the last year with the combination of "harmonisation" and the SV that had been granted to Central Coast Council for the 3 year period. With this huge increase to the ratepayer, the Council should have sufficient funds to pay for				To me a "containment" strategy is where unnecessary money is NOT being spent. The following spending path,	· · ·
		h re o w	over the last 12 months. If the Council were run as a fully functioning business organisation then it would have a plan, instigated and managed by a competent CEO and supporting managers, that	Many in the community are aware of the rate rise but object to the fact that they have to pay for the Council's or misuse of funds in the last few years. Those who are aware use social media and online news sources to find this information as we have only one hardcopy newspaper which is available at some supermarkets. However there will be many others who are not			going forward, has been chosen by the Council, despite the fact that they will benefit only a few:- *Council's Chambers in Gosford were perfectly adequate, as was Gosford Library. Instead money that isn't available for ratepayers' services is being wasted on a new construction housing both of these.	Council's huge debt and it appears that there is no justice for the ratepayers who do not deserve to be treated thus, through no fault of their own. There has been no due diligence carried out by anyone in authority which would at least give us the assurance that this will not happen again! The Central Coast Council, and its various Administrators, appear to have little regard for the ratepayers. Nothing
		w	would keep it solvent, even if not making a profit. This council, & CEO, are taking the easy path by coercion of its ratepayers. We are not a "slush" und, ready for the taking whenever the Council has overspent, or as in our case, illegally spent unds.	social media savvy - I would suggest that many of these people are unaware because there has been very little correspondence from the Council about this issue. We have been bombarded with figures and percentages in regards to the increases in the last year, but the transparency of information was questionable. Due to the complexity of the simultaneous charges of harmonisation and the SV, many were	No, the impact on us IS NOT REASONABLE!! We are already paying more than 42% for our rates since July last year and it is likely to go up when the next Valuer General's report is released. Any increase in value to us is only realised if we sold, but this is our home, we have been		should never have been approved, the owners/developers were the once who insisted their buildings go ahead, and now it will be the ratepayers, who pay for the privileged few. *Vast amounts of money spent on useless marketing, PR, correspondence, surveys, studies by Council to	has changed from the reasons included in our original submission - with harmonisation coming into effect at the same time, our rates increased over 42%. For us, in fact, there are now more imperative reasons to keep the SV to the original 3 year period. Being pensioners, there is no "new" money coming in the funds we had 12 months ago buy much less than they did then. Inflation in terms of what we buy at the supermarket means having to shop even more frugally and it appears that this will only get worse with the impact of both the floods and the
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219 Mattew	Cross	a I h ft. th e s:	have been shocked by the level of contempt for the ratepayers of the Central Coast that the current and previous administrator's have. It is staggering. have recently made suggestions to the current administrator for alternative revenue streams which the summarily dismissed as a potential distraction to council doing what they are supposed to. I am urious that is in a position to even request an SRV given the last administrator told us nat IPART would make a decision and the Council would be obliged to conform to that decision. But there we go again in the same question in the same question. Please explain to him that when IPART makes a decision, the next job for the council is to get on with erving the community, not focus their efforts on asking IPART the same question that's already	completely correct." And went on to say "We are not trying to be non-transparent in the matter." Like they weren't. There was a survey in which over 7,000 people responded. 70% said they didn't want a rate rise. So what did the	I wish he would admit that he has no ideas to improve the financial situation other than gouging ratepayers, and do the honourable	They probably weren't. The CCC has a track record of not providing information when originally scheduled, only to have is rushed through at the last minute. The Administrator invited ratepayers to an online meeting during which (there was four of us on the call I was on) and I have the screenshots from) he said the council was looking for community members to be advocates.	incompetence of CCC to contain costs? Give them the rate peg, tell them they're very lucky to have three years of an SRV, and now they need to get to work and find a way to service the community. And for God's sake, if	answered, . And an example of how
Name 220 suppress	Name ssed suppre	ne pressed W22/439		I feel that this is a quick fix and the root of mismanagement and accountability and lack of apology to the public give rise to concern that this will happen again. The public do not trust you can manage our funds.	I feel instead of hitting the residents here, alternative revenue eg, parking meters for holidaymakers and visitors should be considered first .			No
Name 221 suppres	Name ssed suppre	ne pressed W22/440 N	lo rate rise	No rate rise	No rate rise	No rate rise CCC's argues in its submission that exhibiting the documents over the new year holidays doesn't matter because the community	No rate rise	We pay our rates and there is no maintenance done. Wyong Road is a disgrace. Weeds are so high and rubbish is littered everywhere. The main thoroughfare for the tourists. Our lake floods regularly as again the required preventative action is not undertaken. Our drains are blocked with leaves and debris. Councils CEO takes home a huge salary without delivering. Residents want action and no rate rise. Why are we being punished for Council's mismanagement.
		v	PART must not incentivize poor performance. Where did all the money go? We can see this very clearly in the increase in employee costs between 2017 and 2020, as reported in the Administrator's 30-day report. Employee numbers rose 12.9% during this period. But what is	The key question in this survey was a binary choice between rate hikes or se <u>rvice cuts. Th</u> ere was no other option such as		had plenty of time to object to the previous SV in 2021 and this application is merely a repeat of that one: "While the exhibition process occurred during December and January (22 December to 21 January), this SV is a repeat of last year's applicationThe community has had multiple opportunities to comment on this SV over the past 12 months, as part of last year's application and this year's repeat application." This is a ridiculous argument and demonstrates the lengths CCC will go to in using spin to justify its failings. There is a clear requirement in IPART's rules to update these documents and publicly exhibit them as part of the SV process. CCC has failed to do so in a manner that could be described as reasonable. The community was not given a reasonable opportunity to view and		
Name	Name	tr C F e	Council Plans Another 13% Increase in Employee Costs if SV is Approved?!?? The Long-Term inancial Plan that went on exhibition in December 2021 proposes a \$23M (13%) increase in imployee costs next year (2022/23) compared with this year (2021/22). It seems Council once again intends splashing the extra cash on the bureaucracy, not the community.	reducing internal costs or improving productivity. The sample must have felt to break their arm if they didn't hand over their pocket money. Yet despite these biased tactics, CCC still couldn't get a majority for its SV application. The community wants CCC to reduce the costs of bureaucracy and improve its performance, productivity, and efficiency. The community does not accept a binary choice between rate hikes or service cuts. And why should we? Why should we pay	economic report by Informed Decisions (ID) in January 2022 which is included as attachment 12 to its SV submission. This report states on page 49: "the Central Coast Council area has a SEIFA index of 989, which when ranked among all local government areas of New South Wales, puts it at 86th most disadvantaged of 130 local government areas." Socio-economic disadvantage is unevenly spread across the Central Coast	comment on these documents. CCC is not in reasonable compliance with IPART's requirement. None of the 190 projects in the Delivery Program relate to completion of the merger. Yet we were told the main reason for extending the Council's administration was to allow time for the current administrator Rik Hart and new CEO David Farmer to liberate cost savings through completion of the merger. So, why no projects in the Delivery Program to generate efficiencies from the merger?	CCC productivity still lower than five years ago. How can this Council be doing so much less with the same number of staff it had five years ago? The bottom line here is that CCC is providing fewer and worse services despite having about the same number of employees as five years ago. That means productivity (output per employee) has fallen.	
222 suppress	ssed suppre	pressed W22/441			Central Coast Council probably now upper quartile in rates despite providing very poor services No to any rate rise and the impact it will have on everyone trying to recover from these hard times stop it it not right give	There as been Covid-19 and now several natural disasters to deal with and a crisis without kids getting back to school nobody as the time to find and then look at these papers except for the council's themselves as they seem to have plenty of time for this	No way they should have access to any more funds look what they have done with the last lot. In lost it millions	No way you have robbed the people and now what them to pay to get you of the hook give back what you have stolen and there will be plenty of money there no to any rate rise it is the completely wrong time and thing to do
223 suppres	ssed suppre	pressed W22/442	disagree with the rate rise and how it will impact me in these challenging times	No to the rate rise people have to much to deal with at the moment give us a break	the community some rate relief and get back some support	nonsense	of dollars gone somewhere??	people are struggling and this will negatively impact them and all businesses. NO!!!!
224 Ronald Name	Name	ne	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential No
225 suppres:	Name	d tr ne e.	CCC have not shown that they can manage the funds that these previously collected from our rates oo how can we trust them to wisely use any increases that are granted to them. Having said that I to not agree to them being allowed to increase my council rates for the intent of clearing the debt nat was incurred by their reckless management or indeed for the Special Variation to be granted or extended. I find it abhorrent that we the ratepayers are being penalised for something for which we had no responsibility or control.	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	I have not seen any explanation of how the CCC plan to improve their productivity. To be quite frank, the only 2 options that we as ratepayers were offered were to increase rates or reduce services. There were no suggestions that they would reduce internal costs or consider efficiencies within their operation. For example, why do they need to do a feasibility study on Climate Change. And what about introducing economies of scale from the merger of the two councils. Haven't seen anything like that, in fact they seemed to have increased staffing levels and employment costs.	Confidential No Finally, I'd like to add, where the is the Office of Local Government in all of this? Aren't they responsible for the operations of Local Government? No

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	I believe that the extraordinary ongoing rate rises asked for are not supported and that there are viable alternative sources of revenue. I believe that Council funding deficit is caused in part by the NSW Govt failing to provide sufficient support and funding to the amalgamation of Gosford and Wyong Councils, hence NSW Govt should be providing supplementary funding and extra oversight to ensure the systems are in place to govern the local area and provide adequate services. It is hard to accept that the incompetence of the Councilors in recent years, that has resulted in reserved funds being accessed and considerable debt, should be shouldered by the ratepayers,						
	particularly considering that the lack of NSW Govt oversight has allowed debt levels to progress to the point that Council could not pay their staff without emergency funding being advanced. I believe that there are several alternate ways that Council could pay down current debt and fund operations without a large ongoing rate rise. Some excess Council land has been sold to pay down debt and undoubtedly there is more land that could be sold.						
	Councils Water supply business doesn't appear to be run as a separate business with transparent costs and income - water supply costs and income are mixed with general council operating business. Council appears to be operating this business at a loss and is continually pushing for higher water rates. I believe that part or all of the Water supply business should be sold to Sydney or Hunter Water (or Gosford to Sydney water and Wyong to Hunter Water). This would result in enough cash to at least pay off all debt (and probably supplement many years operating costs) and the water business would be run efficiently by experienced competent operators and result in lower						
	rates rates. Another avenue would be to assess the environmental credentials of all parcels of COSS land and any parcels with environmental value could be given or sold to NSW Govt as national park land and the remainder of COSS land sold. Council has no business being involved in reserving environmental land, which is an unnecessary drain on council resources to acquire and maintain. Another avenue for funding would be to dispose part or all of the garbage collection and recycling						
Name Name 227 suppressed suppre:	business. I don't know enough about this to comment further but it would provide funds to pay down debt and provide funds for ongoing operations. I believe that the State Government should dissolve what is currently the Central Coast Council. As a resident I can only see the expense of the rate rise reducing my power to keep my property and	In my view, the council administrator and staff have failed to demonstrate the need for the proposed increase	The proposed increase is not reasonable against these criteria, particularly as there are viable alternatives for raising revenue.		Perhaps the Council documents do propose improvements, etc, but it is evident that the ratepayers have not been convinced.		No
Name Name 228 suppressed suppre	live a normal life with ordinary expenses that any normal resident could foresee and plan for in. their retirement years. The state government should step in and manage the repayments as the overseeing regulatory body who allowed the misappropriation of funds in the Original years of the Central Coast Council as mere ratepayers had no involvement in same, and should not be expected to pay for CCC and the State Government of the time.		It is not reasonable to expect ratepayers of various degrees of income to be able to pay such exorbitant increases as any other residents of any local government areas in NSW. Personally my income is fixed as an old age pensioner and if the increase are to remain, then I will no doubt not be able to retain my home on the Central Coast of NSW. Where do I have to go to be allowed to live in peace and safety without Big Brother imposing such gross hardships on me and in turn my family who are in a similar position.			Why is the State Government continuing allow Central Coast Council's administrator to have powers far beyond being fair and equitable to and for ratepayers. Residents who have not received normal services in their community, have not received what is normally expected with such high rates.	No
	Council already have an available resource to fund service levels. It has large cash reserves in accounts reserved for restricted uses. The administrator has been dipping into restricted funds to keep council running. Large bank loans were forced on council by the decision of the minister to sack elected councillors and to appoint an administrator. These reserves are effectively wasted		The purpose of the variation is to repay unnecessary bank loans that were forced on ratepayers by decisions of the				
	sitting in accounts and could have been used by the former CEO and elected councillors to help council trade out of the so called financial crisis (and could still be used more effectively). The sudden debt was really just the stroke of a pen to say funds formerly classified as unrestricted suddenly being classed as restricted.	I have not received any direct communication from council with the explanations mentioned above.	minister and her appointees so they can repay the funds mentioned in Criterion 1. The rises are not reasonable as they are to pay the costs of unjustified arbitrary decisions by the minister to cover debts incurred by council including the flawed decision to force Wyong and Gosford Councils to merge, a failed IT merger initiated by an appointed administrator, and many years of cost shifting of state government responsibilities to ratepayers.		Council puts forward statements claiming to represent these issues but the main message I got was 'either support our push for more rates and pain for the community or there will be more pain as we sack another 200 staff, cut essential services and sell off more assets'. That seems to be the plan to cut costs.		
229 Brian Davies	W22/448	While the community has been made aware of the proposed extension of the rate increase, this awareness in no way is sanctioned or given tacit approval by ratepayers. An extension being forced on ratepayers, especially those from the old		The administrator is the sole authority for approving the documents so there is no democratic process.		Please see my attached document for more detailed explanations on the above points and other matters.	Yes
Name Name		Wyong Council who have already suffered an 8 year variation to rates, which also continued when Amalgamation of councils occurred with Gosford, have now being asked for a further 3 years variation, with 15% a hefty financial burden to any ratepayer. And now seeking to further extend this through Council malfeasance is totally rejected by the ratepaying community. Additionally, with new subduvisions mushrooming in the Northern end of the coast, the Council is already in line for a massive influx of new ratepayers. Following on from business closures due to Covid, how much more can ratepayers be	Totally unreasonable, given as above, the final cessation if an 8 year variation suffered by Wyong Council ratepayers. Additionally, with Covid lockdowns, business closures and reduced incomes as a result, it would be preferable to see council cut spending on bloated and inefficient departments, and for workers to be seen increasing productivity. The slow		Again, just because Council can advertise strategies to achieve these does not guarantee the proposed outcome. This is not an application that should be approved, please at least consider holding over any decision in this approval for the term of the current variation, where the Council must show that the above strategies are in place	No extension of this rate variation should be approved until the end of the current variation period, in which time IPART should monitor whether Council has begun to achieve the cost containment strategies and proven productivity improvements are being achieved before any further extension of the current rate variation should be	
230 suppressed suppres Name Name 231 suppressed suppres	sed W22/450 W22/449 Disagree with all rate hikes	expected to pay?	particularly low income workers and pensioners Must be reasonable	my desire for a payrise as a nurse forever, and this would not justify a rise being approved. Agree	and are achieving the desired results.	considered by IPART.	No No
Name Name 232 suppressed suppre	sed W22/451 I disagree with the rate hike and I am already struggling financially paying the rates and water now.	I disagree with the rate hike and I am already struggling financially paying the rates and water now.	I disagree with the rate hike and I am already struggling financially paying the rates and water now.	I disagree with the rate hike and I am already struggling financially paying the rates and water now.	I disagree with the rate hike and I am already struggling financially paying the rates and water now.	I disagree with the rate hike and I am already struggling financially paying the rates and water now.	No
						I have not seen any improvement in management or council services since amalgamation of Wyong and Gosford councils. Recent statements of council improving their systems for ratepayers have been a total waste of money due to	1:
Name Name 233 suppressed suppre:	sed W22/452	Council has not provided a reasonable reason for the need of a rate increase except to repay a loan that was sourced to repay restricted funds used by past management.	Further rate increase will resulted in having to sell our house due to the financial burden.			system rate billing that is not accurate and billing for previously paid bills. CCC in particular the current Administrator viciously defends the application as a 'not an increase' when the	No
						Community is aware that the increase approved by IPART in May 2021 was for 3 years and at which time CCC has to show significant cost savings before they can apply for a further increase. How could CCC justify applying no cost savings (other than a plethora of motherhood statements) evidence has been shown or any definable projects have been established to justify any further increase. Oh yes and Mr. Administrator is so adamant that the Community will quickly forget any increase.	
Name Name 234 suppressed suppre	sed W22/453					CCC is currently awaiting final approval from IPART f9r a water increase which could be up to 34% (heaven forbid). How much more can the CC Community can bear in increased costs? I would expect IPart to defer a decision on the CCC's application for 3 years in line with IPart's quite recent approval in May 2021.	No
Name Name 235 suppressed suppre:	sed W22/454					I whole heartedly disagree with any further rate increase for central coast council. We are pensioners and have lived here for 38 years. The increase will impact considerably on our economic finances, which we should not have to incur basically because the Councillors and staff and lately the new incumbents inability to manage our funds. There are still ridiculous accounts coming out and I've even seen adds for people to apply for arts grants when they can't even keep our roads in good order.	No
236 Belinda Mabbot		Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	No
237 suppressed suppres	sed W22/456 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential I oppose the rate increase! I am a single woman in 60's who purchased a property in 2020 with a large mortgage and under the proviso I can afford to make rates water and general upkeep of the property under my budget. That has now	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	No
238 suppressed suppres	Services are needed. I fail to understand how there has been no accountability for the people who "lost" the money in the first instance. Action needs to be taken not rate rises.	Our services are poor compared to other councils. More jobs at the top need to go and action taken to limit overtime etc. money recouped in other ways than rate rises.	been blown out and I will be forced to sell if rates aren't reduced Average middle class wage earner here with a family. Rates and water rates are high enough. Increase would add to financial burden.	This council should not approve anything that the previous council mismanaged	Show the rate payers what benefit and services would be better under the SV		No No
Name Name	sed W22/460 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	No
241 Cheryl Ellis	W22/459 i oppose the rate hike as i cant see that council will improve our services in any way shape or form.		i oppose the rate hike as it will affect me financially and also a lot of people i know, who are struggling with the cost of living.			Central C <u>oast Council w</u> ill never change if IPART keeps giving them more of our money. The new CHief	No
						Executive has changed nothing since being appointed 12 months ago. He earns over \$500,000 (more than the Premier) but seems to be on a management culture that caused the problems in the first place while administrator RIK Hart just sees slugging ratepayers an easier option than fixing the internal problems.	(
						ceo recently appeared on ABC Central Coast to answer topical issues but when he was asked about a local issue (removing the community art in Tascott) that had been getting a huge response from the community he claimed he had "no idea" about it even though his own Communications Department had issued a press release on it the previous day. He turned up thinks nothing has changed or will change while he is CEO and why we think the only option is to force them to	
Name Name 242 suppressed suppres	sed W22/461 No	No	No The rate rise on top of the previous rate rise is exhorbitant and will put a strain on myself and others for something that	No	No	sort out their problems themselves by cutting off the easy option of more and more rate increases to subsidise their complacency and incompetence. WE'VE HAD ENOUGH! My comments may be classed as emotional, given the financial distress this will cause pensioners and families for	No
Name Name 243 suppressed suppres	Better management of the funds from the last increase would save having to have another increase	The community understand there isn't a need for a further rate increase, just better management of the funds the Council is already getting. And it would be nice if Council did communicate with ratepayers.	was not our responsibility. Given the last two years most ratepayers are already suffering and don't have the funds to	In total agreement with documents being approved by ratepayers before adopted by Council for submission to IPART.		something that should have been monitored and dealt with before the debt became so large, but are more frustration and disappointment. This situation is not the ratepayers fault but Council and the NSW Government (who knew there was a deficit a couple of years ago).	No
Name Name 244 suppressed suppre:	sed W22/463					I cannot afford a SV in rates. As a full time nurse on the CC a SV in my rates would impact me financially to the extent I would seriously need to consider selling and moving to a more affordable area to live. I have previously struggled to pay the old Wyong Council SV rate increase and do not believe it is fair nor justified to expect rate payers to pay for a council's mismanagement of their funds.	
245 Antigoni Runge	W22/464 Confidential The limited time interval provided by IPART to make input to its assessment of a Central Coast	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	No
	Council application for an extended Special Variation in rates, and concurrent COVID restrictions on assembly, have not allowed comprehensive community engagement in preparation of this submission by the Avoca Beach Community Association (ABCA). This submission has been produced by the ABCA Committee, to reflect community views to the best of its ability.						
	Central Coast Council's application for extension of the 15% special rates variation sits within a wider context of strong community dismay over: •A Council amalgamation in 2107 that was forced by the State Government and unwanted by the great majority of residents.						
	 The amalgamation being much more complex and costly than indicated beforehand by the State Government. Gross financial mismanagement within the newly amalgamated Council, producing in 2021 a debt crisis. Residents in the southern half of the Central Coast learning after the amalgamation they would 						
	have imposed a 28% rates rise to equalize rate levels across the Central Coast. Receiving in recent months new rates notices imposing a 42% general rates rise (including the IPART approved Special Variation).						
	In response, Council has: entered into a \$150 million commercial loan to be repaid over 10 years, with strict performance conditions attached; cut services to the community; and slashed its staffing level. Against that backdrop, Council has presented to the community a binary choice for paying off the				Whilst Council appears to have laid out the binary choices between a hefty Special Variation or additional large services and staff cuts, ABCA considers that productivity gains in delivery of Council functions are one way of maintaining service levels and limiting revenue demands.		
Avoca Beach Community	loan covering the debt: IPART approval of extension of the current 15% Special Variation for 10 years; or, additional major cuts immediately to Council services and staffing. The Avoca Beach Community Association (ABCA) does not have a formal, specific position on the		As noted above, it is an inescapable fact that Council's \$150m commercial loan to cover debt incurred must be repaid. And as noted, we look to IPART to establish the parameters for any needed Special Variation. A 42% recent rates rise for Avocans has come as a shock for the household budgets of many Avocans. (With this impact		We note with approval that the Administrator has instituted actions within Council and reporting to this effect. We consider Council must continue to pursue and expand productivity gains, reporting on performance to the community, embedding this in organizational culture, and select performance audits.		
Association 246 Ian Carruth	special variation extension – as there is unlikely to be a high degree of consensus among Avocans. (Many consider the State Government should bear significant responsibility for the debt situation and make a substantial financial contribution – but that is a matter outside the mandate of IPART in conducting this review).	ABCA considers Council has performed a solid effort in informing and giving consultation opportunity regarding the intended application to IPART.	now likely to be exacerbated if IPART approves the simultaneous application by Council for increased water and sewer rates.) Pensioner and hardship special provisions offered by Council on rates payments are a worthy benefit for a minority of households, but for many others the impact is substantial.		These productivity gains and associated communication to the community are important in restoring the community's badly shaken faith in the newly amalgamated Central Coast Council.	In the event that the Public Inquiry into administration of Central Coast Council and community pressure lead to the State Government switching its position to making a future financial injection to Council, IPART should institute a review of its decision on level and duration of a Special Variation.	No

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				After two years of covid. We as rate payers and business owner all took pay cuts and we are desperately trying to get back on our feet. And council wants more and more money to cover their miss management to the tune of			
247 M	lichael Taylor W22/466	Stop ripping money out of ratepayers. And start taking pay cuts. As it was councils mismanagement that got us to \$500000000.00 in debt in the first place.	Stop ripping money out of ratepayers. And start taking pay cuts. As it was councils mismanagement that got us to \$500000000.00 in debt in the first place.	\$50000000.00. It's time council took some responsibility and took pay cuts. If you give them more the likely hood of more mismanagement is just around the corner.	Pay cuts for councillors of the same amount as their proposed rate increases.	I see a lot of new ccc vehicles around the central coast. Only replace vehicles every 5 years until the council becomes profitable again.	No
248 K	aual Naidu W22/467	I disagree with any rate rises	I disagree with any rate rises	I disagree with any rate rises	I disagree with any rate rises.	I disagree with any rate rises	I disagree with any rate rises No
249 P	atrick Gschwind W22/468	Confidential Any significant rate hike will hurt my families ALREADY limited financial capacity. Council needs to	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential No Council needs to work more efficiently before proposing increases. Government continually tried to increase costs (ultimately passed on to us) before exploring reduction or cutting. Some of the activities you see council perform
250 N	ame Name suppressed W22/469	find more effective ways (or cutting services) to spend before proposing increases. Citizens will vote out high spending councils if increases happen.	There no evidence.	The rates are already high. Reduce your existing spending or make cuts before increasing rates.			clearly waste money. Start with these first then demonstrate actual need to increase and have community input that is more transparent than this process.
	ame Name suppressed W22/470	We should not have to pay for the councils mismanagement & the State governments demands for amalgamation	I am an aged pensioner as are many in the area, this huge rate rise is a strain on many peoples budgets	As above. A lot of money was spent on the council amalgamation which many didn't want & we should not have to pay for it	IPART should look to the State government & not make the people pay	Council does not spend money on roads etc	The people, many aged pensioners, should not have to pay for council & State gov mismanagement No
252 Li	llian Whittaker W22/471	I completely disagree with rate hike & this will be the difference between keeping a property here on the coast & paying these ridiculous & outrageous rate hikes. Nothing ever gets done here on the coast the roads are disgusting & dangerous, flooding is becoming more & more prevalent & we have to pay more rates WHAT FOR!!!!! Because a bunch of staff members of our council basically to all the rate payers on the coast to the cleaners I'm not sure what a local government departments think that these staff members did for the last 30years but it's down right the strong hand of the law. Also the government should be accountable for this disgraceful & disgusting misappropriation of rate payers funds & need to sell off all the government land to replenish these funds instead of taking from the poor rate payers that are all doing it tough especially with the thought of such a rate hike. Get real & do the right thing before poor & innocent people lose there homes Central Coast Council success in its first term, as a newly merged Council, was deliberately impeded by a political agenda to oppose the merger and retain the existing duplicated systems of the former Gosford and Wyong Councils, with view to run a wasteful demerger policy in future election. This costly political tear up of public monies, was tendered as formal evidence by Labor CIr to the Public Enquiry, and is supported by comments in the 30 day Administrators Report on Central Coast Council that Council did not make any attempt to seek any merger savings. As a current suspended CIr, that was granted whistleblower status, (when myself and other fellow CIrs Best, Pilon Marquet and Gale lost confidence in the Council financial management, and wrote to the LGA a seeking the government step in and appoint a financial controller) I am only too aware of the political impediment and financial damage that was inflicted onto the people of the Central Coast.					No No
		My concern now is that if Central Coast Council is successful in its submission for a permanent increase in rates, then a business as usual approach will be adopted, then merger savings that should have been pursued by the Clrs, will not be aggressively pursued. There was a previous political drive to pursue non core Council responsibilities, with funds it did not have. Ie failed RPAC, Affordable Housing and Climate Change Policies, with no accountability to cost to ratepayers, whilst ignoring the growing deficits. Central Coast Council does not need to gouge ratepayers due its own poor performance. Central Coast Council is sitting on major assets that are either under utilised or mismanaged, and could be sold or leased to bring in new revenue streams. The WaterAuthority, and the Waste Division are two such assets. The Stadium is finally being acted alone to bring in revenue instead of costing ratepayers annually. The Gosford Waterfront is owned freehold by Council and could be generating new revenue streams from Marina operators.		The Central Coast has some of the lowest socio economics in NSW and residents do not have the extra disposable incomes to readily accomodate increases. An increase of 30% rates to many households would invoke hardship. Rents are already at crisis point and this would only exacerbate the situation, with additional cost to owners being passed on to tenants in rental increases. We are already seeing many landlords exit the rental market with ever increasing land tax and		Noted.	In my view CC Council should be encouraged to set up a merger savings fund as was done at Northern Beaches Council, and continue to seek merger savings. The merger was the chance to make changes, create savings and reduce costs, and Council should be encouraged to continue with that merger process. A permanent rate increase now will only foster a return to business as usual attitude in the administration, and remove the financial necessity to force change. The Central Coast needs to go forward as a Region, with an efficient, streamlined Regional Council, not return to the past of two under performing local Councils that were unable to progress the Central Coast as a stand alone Region. A permanent increase in rates now, will only allow these former inefficiencies that were carried over, to remain. All organisations are better financial managers when their backs are up against the wall, and Central Coast Council is no different. The organisation must continue their path of reform rather than be allowed to just seek extra payments from their residents.
253 B	ruce McLachlan W22/472	Necessity is the mother of all invention, and when faced with financial collapse, and without political impediment, the Administrators were able to act quickly and turn the finances around in the right direction. They have been able to refinance the debt and have recent media releases stating	The current Adminstrator and CEO in my view have not demonstrated the need for the increase vs the options of review of major assets, or return to an agenda of core Local Government responsibilities.	insurances, against diminishing returns and a 30% increase in rates would only encourage less investment and less vacancy. Council must return to core agendas and seek merger savings before being allowed to raise rates and invoke hardship or a community that is already at the lower level of economic capacity to pay.		The Central Coast Council merger has not been given a chance to succeed as previously stated, no merger savings were sought, and Council pursued non core Council responsibilities. Any permanent rate increase would reduce the administration's or any subsequently elected Councils need to pursue these savings.	Thank you Bruce McLachlan Former Independent Clr (suspended) The Entrance Ward Central Coast Council.
		Council finances are improving. The initial projections of Covid impacts were not as severe as first Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Noted. The Council is under Administration and there is no political arm for the Residents to appeal for alternatives measures. Confidential	confidential	Confidential No
255 s	Jame Name uppressed suppressed W22/474	I have little faith that paying more money from us in a rate hike will make a difference because of the inability of the council to manage funds.	I wrote to the Central Coast Council and asked some questions about the rate hike and received a reply that ignored my questions and skirted around giving me any information that I asked for. Communication from the council was poor as the didn't address any issues I raised concern about so they will certainly need to raise their standards in communication if this criterion is to be fulfilled.	I conveyed my concern to the Central Coast Council that rate hikes at this particular time is making life even more difficult when so many of us are on reduced wages, have less savings now and are working less hours than we did before the pandemic.	t ·		No
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N 257 si	ame Name uppressed suppressed W22/477	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential
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N	uppressed suppressed W22/478 ame Name uppressed suppressed W22/479		No to rate rise, I oppose it Confidential	Struggling as it is Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	We need NSW government to step up and help No Confidential No
N	ame Name suppressed W22/480		Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential Confidential No This is totally outrageous that the council can even apply for this after they have decimated the council coffers to
261 E	athan Robertson W22/481		As per governments we were told one thing and now the higher ups are asking more from us. Our pays increase by maybe 1 % per year if we are lucky and now they expect us to fix it. Sorry no I won't be paying the extorted rates to fix a problem when the people invved are not even prosecuted	We can not afford the rate rise. Why should we the rate payers bail out a council that still today spends like they have an everlasting coffer. It is wrong on so many levels to the point of breaking point. They purposely do not up date your address so they can claim interest on over due rates. Why are they not in jail. No to rate hike above the morn, they have already hiker it up and now want to further cripple the rate payers	Let the people have access to all documents regarding the unlawful spending of rate payers funds. We have a right to know where the funds have been spent and what on	Not rate payers problems. The council and government bodies need to find other sources of income instead of from rate payera	the point they could not even pay their over paid staff with all the benefits of a CEO. Rdo,s every month, massive pay increases above the norm. No do not approve the blatent theivery of rate payers hard earned cash to bail out a council. There should be legal ramifications and they should be paying money back from their super and their massage be pay outs when they were let go after the enquiry
262 pl	hillip cashion W22/482	submission for the initial rate rise which was for 3 years only. 73% of responded indicated they did want a rate rise as such it should not go ahead. In addition this application is being submitted	This has not been communicated to me, especially the full percentage and dollar amount over the next ten years. Using the councils percentage increase I will see my rates more than double over the next 6 years. This will put enormous financial stress on myself and likely others on the central coast. I note in councils submission this rate hike will pay off loans, if you look at then numbers this will not happen and even after 5 years of these increase the loans will still exist (this is also not taking into account rate rises)	Rates have gone up so much over the past 10 years they now need to split it into 4 payments for ratepayers to afford to pay them. I can barely keep up with my bills now. Council forgets we also have electricity, gas, insurance, etc to pay. I wish IPART could travel to the Central Coast and see how wasteful the council is. The workers spend most of their days sitting in their trucks on their phones, and the salaries of the executive teams are huge. I note the IPART submission allows for wage increases of 13-15% for council workers ???. The council have promised to be more careful with money but will do the opposite if IPART gives them more. I ask you this, if a heroin addict promises to give up heroin as long as you give him more heroin, Would you give it to him ?. PLS, PLS, PLS DONT GIVEN COUNCIL ANY MORE MONEY TO WASTE		There have been no productivity improvements that I can see. I can not see any real ones in their submission	Please don't approve councils price increase, they have not changed their culture and efficiently in any way, more money will not make them do this, less money will. Until they do this, any more money will just be wasted like all the money in the past. Every time I pay the council rates I feel like the money is just going to be wasted on salaries. I implore you to visit the central coast, watch some of them working (or not) and look at the basics that are not being addressed now, ie roads falling apart, paths falling apart, many streets still do not even have paths or kerbing. PLS PLS do not give them any more of our money, the poor rate payers have already put up with so much from this incompetent council. The fact that they requested a 3 year special rate rise and now want to make it permanent shows they cannot be trusted !!!! COUNCIL NEEDS LESS MONEY TO BECOME EFFICIENT, NOT MORE
263 st	uppressed suppressed W22/483	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential No
264	haron Ford W22/484						I don't think we as taxpayers should foot the bill for the councils mismanagement of funds., surely the people involved should be held responsible. My rates rose by 36%, as have others, and you expect us to pay this, and more, for another 10 years. Adding insult to injury is the fact that I very rarely see a council worker out and about making me wonder where this money is going. We have potholes all over our Central Coast roads (for ages), roadside grass verges that are in desperate need of a mow before serious accidents start happening eg. people getting hit because they are unable to get off the road, cars swerving to miss large bushes coming out over the roads, etc (don't try blaming the rain - there has been ample time before the rain for stuff to be done). It is bad enough that we have had to endure this rate rise but at least have the decency to do some work for it.
265 K	haron Ford W22/484 im Delaney W22/485	I cannot afford a rate rise because the council couldn't stick to their budget. I'm a single working mum & finding it hard enough to make ends meet now!!					It's disgraceful to rise rates whilst cutting services!! I live on a strict budget perhaps I should've been on the council to help them live within their means!! I shouldn't be penalized because of incompetency!!! No
N 266 st	ame Name	They have already increased our rates!! They need to still get rid of a lot of admin staff and other staff that are useless and wasting rate payers money!!!	Council has been very quiet about this only know as I have seen on fb on groups.	We are already paying a lot not only in rates but for everything groceries fuel etc. they have to find another way!!		They keep making the same mistakes and wasting our rates money on unnecessary things.	No
267 K	aren Moss W22/497	,					I strongly disagree with this huge rate rise. We are elderly and cannot afford such a big hike. This Council has been mismanaged and we the ratepayers should not be penalized because of their incompency.
268 N	ame Name Jppressed suppressed W22/488	Council have not effectively reviewed their staffing efficiency or needs/levels. They have employed more people even though they have some redundancy Needs a full HR overhaul, not a rate increase so we can pay for the continued inefficiency	Still can't access the financial reports today as the audit was delayed. Convenient!	Award increases the last 2 years were well under 2%. A rate hike of this magnitude hurts families	Difficult to access and awful to read Plus they know they will get less than half the people who opposed the original increase opposing this one because the people were ignored last time and feel like they'll be ignored again.	There are no improvements they just plan to try and do what they were trying for before. But somehow this time we have to trust it will all work out - because there was no real consequences for anyone who made the mess. Just the rate payers who have to pay to clean it up	
		I totally disagree with this rate rise proposal! The impact of this rise will greatly effect my family over the next few years. It is totally unfair that we have to pay for the mismanagement of other people!		, and regiment that out most	y g		No No
N	ame Name uppressed suppressed W22/490	What resources. Our disliked admistrator has said. We want more money so we can employ more people. Hang on even though staffing is at pre merger levelsits more than 30% higher wages bill. They cant maintain creeks that havent been cleaned out in 25 yrs of overgrowth before they	They need to live within their budget like everyone else. They need kpis and goals. Not squander it on big pay rises wages for staff. Did i mention even with a reduction in staff tgeir wages bill is more than 30% higher?	I am struggling to catch up on my rates. I copped a plus 25% rate rise with harminisationi need a reduction asap. My wage rise 2 years ago as a state gove employee 5 cents an hour. Last year was less than a dollar. I choose to go with out medications so i can eat and pay rates	They need to learn to live within their means. Rate payers are not a cash cow. They seem to have fogotten this. All the administrator wants is more money. Id just like the creek behind my place cleaned out so i dont flood	What producivity improvements? There has been none. Rik Hart has said more money more jobs. No projects etc. More staff. Where is the kpis. We have a facebook page called central coast council watch. Its very enlightening let me tell you. Its just spend spend spend. We pay more rates than sydney people. We collect more than any other council. But they cant be productive and efgicient. Lets just slug the poor old rate payer. Live within your means CC Council. Mismanagement continues even under the administrator!	I think i have said it all. Council couldnt organise a bloody chook raffle. Its so dysfunctional and inefficient.
271 st	ame Name suppressed W22/491	Stop paying Rick hart so much. I don't know where they've spent all this money, please don't tell me the roads because they're all flooded & full of holes.	As a pensioner I won't be able to afford to pay these rates higher water rates, food & petrol.	How does a disabled pensioner like me have a chance to pay these massive rates, higher water prices. Food, petrol and the cost of living is bad enough. You will be forcing people into poverty. My increase will be over five hundred dollars. It's not doable		How disgusting that the council was not held accountable, nobody is allowed to over borrow or over spend & just make others pay for it. This is crazy.	Don't make rates any higher. The cost of living is crippling us all. Find another way. Hold previous members accountable. No
272 G	reg Bowman W22/492	The people should not be paying for the mistakes of council. We are an aging population with limited income. Many of us cannot afford to pay above what we have budgeted for.	My wife and I did not budget with our limited income for councils mistakes	With the current world problems. We cannot pay for this rate rise.	Just not feasible for the average ratepayer.		No
273 W	/illiam Mann W22/493	3 Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential	Confidential No
N 274	ame Name		Unacceptable, why should I pay more for Services that are non existent and have been for more than the last 50 years. I pay my water and waste removal costs. What more does the council provide? Nothing, the multi million dollar suburbs don't even have curb and gutter. This council squanders money unnecessarilylets cut the amount of Councillors even more. What we need are workers and community say on decisions. Not Councillors Councillors was for nothing. Waste of time and resources and not benefiting one inch on the community that I live in.	I don't remember the last time I had a pay rise. Why should I be paying more for rates when the council has mismanaged it's money, the community money. High Management wages for what???? Councillor's wages for doing what??? Where are the services???? None in Wyong, were not a million dollar suburb. We have flooding, high insurance rateswhy???? Wamberal you spend too much money looking after the rich and trying to hold back the tide for what a hand of houses and an uncertain environmental outcome. How many people live in low lying areas. No holding back the tide for the poor. NO RATE INCREASE IS JUSTIFIED. I DONT EVEN HAVE A FOOTPATH AND MY AREA WAS ESTABLISHED OVER 120 YEARS AGO.		Their will be no improvements only to high tourism areas. We are being requested to pay unreasonable rates in relation to the area we live in.	Until, improvements are made to increase living standards in writing and with guaranteed timelines to communities all over the Central Coast not just the affluent suburbs that attract tourism, then the rate increases should only effect the suburbs that attract the tourism and the \$\$\$\$\$ houses that hold back the tide. Because, these are the areas that Central Coast Council favours. Most dissatisfied with Central Coast Council and the unjustified increase in rates - not paying it!
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				I opposed the proposed rates levy being extended for the next 7 yrs across the Central Coast.
				I don't believe that a flat increase across it's revenue base will lead to the cultural changes and efficiencies required to make this Council a financially viable organisation. In my view, cultural change is require. My comments are supported by specifics in relation to development application matters, but suggest equally apply
				across many sectors of the organisation. I have attached some screenshots from the Regional Planning Panel Dashboard, which highlighted the Central Coast Council within the 5 slowest performing Councils, taking 918 days on average to approve larger DA's.
				I have also attached a snapshot of the current Court lists for the next 3 weeks. Central Coast Council has 28 appearances across the various jurisdictions of the Court. 15 of these are in the Land & Environment Court.
				To reduce DA assessment times, the answer is not to reject or refuse a proposal, as this will likely only increase Court appearances - a sector where Council is already well represented. Whilst Council's glossy marketing suggests Council is doing a fantastic job, the reality is supported the the facts above and attached.
				I have also attached an extract from Council's 2020-21 Annual report, specifically on legal expenses and note Council spent just over \$1M. I query whether this expense accurately reflects the true cost to Council for legals, and accounts for multiple staff hours incurred with every legal case, or whether the \$1M is just for Lawyers & Barristers. I suspect it is the latter.
Name Name				Many DA proponents would be happy to present their 'war stories' when dealing with Central Coast Council. Many developers will avoid the Coast whenever possible - knowing how difficult it is to receive approval. Cultural change is required to make the Development Section of Council more efficient and enabling.
275 suppressed suppressed W22/495				I do acknowledge that there are many good staff in Council working under Yes
This situation was caused by the gross incompetence of executive staff and councillors. It is morally reprehensible to saddle the ratepayers of the Central Coast with a rise that those in the lower social economic sections of the coast would cause increased hardship. This council merger was under funded from its inception by the state government, without need or merit in nature. A political overreach, of a long standing desire to have fewer councils in New South Wales. State government overreach, of a long standing desire to have fewer councils in New South Wales. State government and IR issues. It can go on from there. Might also be interesting to see where the bulk				
should acknowledge its failure, and bail the council out. Doubtful, as well, when the rise is revisited it Name Name Name Suppressed suppressed suppressed suppressed by Suppressed suppres	Unfair for ratepayer on low incomes. The reason for the variation is not the fault of the ratepayers. To expect them to foot the bill is wrong.	Yes it should. Also, documents should possibly be emailed to every rate payer. Not everyone, can make it to a council establishment to view them.	Yes, in terms everyone can understand, and be easily obtainable. However, have limited faith in the above criterion to mean much, as councillors, vested interest groups, council employees will act in there own self interest. Future projections, are at best an educated guess.	No No
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				As a concession card holder on a fixed income, I strongly object to further rate increases by the Central Coast Council. The council has cut services to residents since the last rate increase. The council is under administration and has not been democratically elected. It seems that we, the ratepayers, are being forced to pay for accounting errors that occurred in the past. The administrator was appointed, not voted in, and seems to care little about the enormous financial stress he is putting on us. The rate increases are especially bad given the many residents lost their sources of income during the pandemic.
Name Name 278 suppressed suppressed W22/498				Please do not allow these rates increases.
				Letter to IPART Rejection to proposed increase of Water rates and IPART's allowance for Central Coast Council to continue lobbying for the continuation of general rates increase to be extended for a further 7 years: It is absolutely ridiculous for Central Coast Council to even entertain to increase Water Rates when they can't even balance their books. It will be yet another opportunity for Council to squander ratepayer's money with no accountability. Already, when going through the figures the amounts don't balance and there seems to be a surplus of funds that when asked could not account for. There is already talks that Council intends to employ more staff and increase salaries. So the people working at Council especially in their Management Team
				can't do their jobs (this is evident as they keep employing consultants to draft up numerous applications to IPART for increases to rates) as they quite clearly don't have the experience themselves. So I ask you why are these people employed by Council? Furthermore let's not forget that the reason we ratepayers and the Council have found ourselves in this mess is because of the Councils Management's and lack of accountability. Why are ratepayers being penalised yet account, this time by raising Water rates when ratepayers are not at fault? Would be good if the Council would be disbanded but it's a case of "stop the gravy train long enough to get on" it seems! I'm finding the
Name Name Suppressed Suppressed W22/499				whether that being to hike water rates or general rates. I left a message already in February last year on voicemail saying that was telling ratepayers on radio that the rate hike had already been approved by IPART even though the Council had not finalised their final submission of how much they wanted to hike rates by! I never received a call back from as a follow-up to my message and
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