27<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Dr Peter Boxall IPART Chairman PO Box K35 Haymarket Post Shop NSW 1240

Re; Proposed rate increase MCC. Hawks Nest NSW

## Dear Sir.

I understand that an application has been made by the unelected Council Administrator for our town to have our rates increase by an amount that exceeds the CPI for the coming year.

I have a very small place in Hawks Nest that is used by my family for about 40 to 50 days each year. We are charged for FULL weekly rubbish removal (3 bin types) as well as FULL water & sewage provisions that are hardly used.

We currently pay about the same rates for our residence in Baulkham Hills (on about 680m2 of land) as we pay for our small retreat in Hawks Nest.

Over recent years we have be approached by a council officer to advise us of what type of grass, plants & trees we should have in our small yard. This clearly shows that the council has too much revenue already & is-focussed on interfering in our lives way more than is needed or wanted.

Dr Boxall, we appeal to your best judgement in considering this request for an increase, by rejecting it COMPLETELY. Hopefully the council can review its activities & learn to live within its means as we do on a fixed income.

Yours Sincerely

Allan Bourne