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Question	Response
IPART Special Variation Submission Form	
Industry	Local Government
Review	(LG) Special Variations & Minimum Rates 2020-2021
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Select Council	Lismore City Council
If you have any general feedback regarding your council's proposed SV, please leave your comments in the comment box below.	This rate increase is insane. The cost of a mortgage on it's own is enough, let alone having to pay an exuberant increase in fees for a town that's already losing residence to the floods is ridiculous. The council will drive our economy into a hole by making even renting a house too expensive. We're not on a highway, we don't gain the same tourism as other towns like Byron bay or Ballina, our economy relies on locals both staying and being able to afford to support local stores. A rate increase will only encourage sale of property and relocation for higher earners into a city with more job opportunities.
Your comments on Criterion 1:	Lismore Council has a track record of spending money on art installations that locals are generally against, and ignoring the need to spend the income on boosting economy for locals over focusing on tourists that clearly aren't coming.
Your comments on Criterion 2:	We don't think there's a need for a rate rise, if anything locals are against it as it's going to further ruin our local economy.
Your comments on Criterion 3:	
Your comments on Criterion 4:	
Your comments on Criterion 5:	
If you have attachments you would like to include with your feedback, plese attach them below.	
Your Details	

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