

# LG Submission Form 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.	As a Lismore resident and rate payer, i can see how hard the average joe is struggling post the 2017 flood, and in recent times, the bushfires. Residents and businesses have lost everything and simply cannot afford and increase in rates. As it is, there are businesses closing everyday in the CBD due to high insurance, high rent and already too high council rates. This current council have proven they lack skills in spending the rates they already receive and do not listen to its residents at all. This community has amazing ideas to make the town flourish, from restoring the lismore lake and the lismore lake pool, but instead, the council spend any money they have on useless projects that the community dont want. They "ask for community feedback" and go ahead with ideas even when we dont want it I.e. the rainbow crossing. This council has enough money, they just dont know how to spend it. Please consider this wjen looking at the SRV. We dont want it, nor can we afford it. This town will die with a rate increase. It homes some of the lowest socioeconomic people in NSW who will not be able to afford the rate rise and will be forced to sell and move away from the area.
Your comments on Criterion 1:	

Your comments on Criterion 2:	The council have made us aware of this using a snail mail newsletter that likely costs hundreds or thousands each month to produce and deliver. The internet is a much cheaper information source and is a greener alternative. They should save the money they spend on the newsletter and put it toward What ever it is they say they need the money for.
Your comments on Criterion 3:	As mentioned in my general feedback, Lismore houses very low socioeconomic people who can barely afford a roof over their heads as it is, especially post flood and fire disasters. As well as the CBD popping up with shop vacancies every day, proves that no one can afford the rates as it is
Your comments on Criterion 4:	
Your comments on Criterion 5:	
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