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Submission: I am AGAINST the 9% rate rise. I do NOT support this large rate rise.

I do NOT believe that council money is well spent on infrastructure or maintenance as it should be. Why should I pay more when the money is not spent where its needed.

Lithgow council is one of the hardest to deal with for development and the slowest to approve Development Applications. I believe this is why new businesses do not come to our town. I know of one business that was moving to Lithgow and decided it was too hard so they set up in Bathurst instead.

With a loss of jobs and declining coal industry, Lithgow needs new Industrial development approvals and an incentive to come here. We need to promote our town so that new business will move here from Sydney where rent is more expensive. Where is the support for this?

Lithgow Council has wasted so much money on upgrading Cook Street Plaza and it does NOT look better. The pavers along the shop fronts in main street are disgraceful and a trip hazard for the community especially the elderly.

The indoor pool is insufficient in size if comparing to Bathurst....why not do it properly and provide a larger than 25m indoor pool?

My property is rural and therefore I do not use any town services eg, town water, town sewerage, garbage collection so why should I pay for anything more. My understanding is that I already pay for the privilege of the garbage truck driving past my house and if I chose for it to stop and collect my rubbish, I would be required to pay more.

I do NOT have footpaths in front of my property nor do I have kerb and guttering etc. Therefore based on my property being rural, I believe my rates are high enough already.