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Submission: I disagree with the Council Application for an SRV. The Council has been unable to present a sound business case for the SRV. They have not considered reducing non-essential expenditure to meet forecast future liabilities. The SRV approved on 9 May 2017 was for Bellingen Shire Council to permanently increase its general revenue by 6%, including the rate peg, to fund a sealed roads renewal program, reduce its infrastructure backlog and improve the council's financial sustainability. Why then is another SRV required in 2018 to address these same issues? As indicated in the Fit for the Future assessment dated 20 October 2015 Bellingen Shire has a below average Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) index ranking (ranked in the 50 most disadvantaged local government areas in the state). The proposed SRV would have place a disproportionate burden on ratepayers who are already one of the most disadvantaged in the state.