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Submission: Before I moved to the Wingecarribbee shire 11 years ago, locals warned me that the council spends more than any other on legal fees, fighting each other and ratepayers' legitimate applications.

It is well past time the council learnt to act responsibly and spend within its income. Allowing it to just exceed the rating limits when it is convenient allows them to continue as if the money grows on trees.

Administration might be a more sensible option.