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Submission: From: [REDACTED]

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To: Local Government Mailbox

Subject: Submission re Dungog Shire Council Rate increase

I have tried to submit via the website but it will not submit.

Here is the submission:-

As a local business owner I am concerned as to how the Dungog Shire Council think the public and businesses are going to afford this price rise in rates, our rates were around \$3000 this financial year so if eventually we are looking at double this is a lot of money to find, it will have to be passed on to our customers in our labour rates, as all businesses will have to do this to find the money, Dungog is not flourishing, a quick walk up the street will show you many closed businesses and the others are not great condition. So in effect the people of Dungog will be paying extra again. Our population is mainly pensioners and social security benefit receivers so they will struggle to find the money. My concern is how is the council going to manage this extra money as in the past many decisions have been made that were not in the best interests of the town.

Please note our new email addresses are [REDACTED]

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I do not wish to have my name published on the website.