

# 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.	I believe the submission by Council should not be approved. The Council has proven to be incompetent in controlling finances and should be held accountable. My wife and I moved here two years ago from Sydney. The cost of living is definitely more here. The locals may not all be struggling but this rate increase would definitely tip many that way. Then there are the businesses. Lismore needs a thriving CBD. We love shopping in Lismore but there are many shop vacancies and some business struggle to survive. Why lose more businesses ? It hasn't taken us long to see the waste by council and their mismanagement of council finances. I just don't trust the Council. A recent survey by the Council was a waste of rate payers' money and illustrates Council incompetence.
Your comments on Criterion 1:	The Council may have exhausted their funds but this is due to mismanagement.
Your comments on Criterion 2:	A survey was conducted which was a difficult process. The Council could have more cheaply enclosed a survey with the rate notice.
Your comments on Criterion 3:	Cost of living is always going up. This increase would make life difficult for many. In particular the disadvantaged and retired.
Your comments on Criterion 4:	The Council has sheepishly submitted the submission. The Council has not been sufficiently upfront.

Your comments on Criterion 5:	The Council, as it is, cannot manage the funds it currently receives.
If you have attachments you would like to include with your feedback, please attach them below.	
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