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Dear Sir/Madam

As a self funded retiree & resident of Hawks Nest NSW 2324 I write to make a submission regarding the ambit claim by Mid Coast Council to approve a nearly 30% increase in our Land Rates over 4 years.

I request that this claim be totally rejected on the following basis.

1. There have been no elected representatives on the council, representing the ratepayers.
2. There has been no discussion regarding the currently proposed Special Rate variation.
3. "The Act" was mysteriously manoeuvred and changed to exempt MCC from "The Act", that restricted merged councils from applying for a rate increase for 4 years.
4. Results of the survey indicated that 20% of ratepayers including renters, could afford an increase, 55% indicated that they would be "inconvenienced" meaning "burdened". MCC has accepted this as 75% can afford the increase. This figure now has been rounded up to 80% (nearest 10%), I believe this is blatant manipulation of figures & must not go unchecked!
5. In February, MCC realised that "The Act" precluded them from applying for an increase. MCC miraculously found savings and indicated that an increase would not be necessary.

I would further request

1. The whole process by which this outrageous claim is made be fully reviewed & examined.
2. A transparent, comprehensive and public disclosure be made as to the actions of all of the parties (including individual names and their office held) involved leading to this "ambit" 30% claim.

3. Referral of any actionable items found be referred for further investigation by appropriate bodies for legal &/or administrative resolution/action against the person/persons concerned.

Yours faithfully,

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