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Individual

Against

Lithgow City Council

I am not happy about the permanent increase of 9% per year. As far as I can see that there is no evidence that our current rates are being use to benefit the residence of Lithgow.

For as long as I have lived here I have had ongoing problems with my water quality and complain regularly. They come out and temporary fix part of the problem. I have heard from sources in council that they test the quality, and that from the results that is not good to drink, so I am forced to buy bottled water for drinking.

I live quite close to town. They continually dig up roads(not informed and not sure what they are doing) and patch it. The patching from their work and pot holes is terrible, it's either with gravel/ road base or tar. The patching either leaves speed humps or significant indents/ditches. This causes wear and tear on our vehicles. Cost for us to bare.

Buses use a lane near me as a route. The short lane is a busy though a fair, is narrow and in terrible condition. At the top intersection of the lane, part of the road is barricaded and has been for quite some time which makes it hard for all vehicles to use it safely. I have seen council completely reseal lanes that are not in as bad condition that are not as used and that are not a though a fair(dead ends). Why?

I think that our children need parks and activities, although millions of dollars had recently been put into a park that is extravagant but proven in the 1st three days of being opened not safe with many serious accidents had happened.

I am a pensioner and can't really afford the increase. Every year the cost of living already goes up significantly due to the regular increases of rates, gas, water etc.

I feel if you go ahead with the increases that it should be a one off and show the businesses and residences that you intend to use it for the purpose that are claimed in the proposal. Then maybe the residents and myself could be swayed.

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