

# LG Submission Form 2021-2022 - notifications

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## IPART Special Variation Submission Form

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Please leave your comments in the comment box below.

I object to this SRV. Our rates increased by 48% in 2020 due to the changes in general base rates and land categories. I live on the outskirts of town with no services whatsoever. No bin pickup, not even a bitumen road, we have no sewer, no gas no town water. We live 5km from the centre of town and yet we've been placed into the residential category and forced to pay waste fees when we don't get a waste service. If this SRV is approved, our rates would increase by 283% by the end of the 4 year period. Our rates would be more than that of South West Sydney (\$1600 per year) and Wollongong \$1800) per year. Due to the forced amalgamation and mismanagement of Cootamundra-Gundagai council, the financial position of council has become dire. A second rates increase is not the answer, an overhaul of council is required, someone who knows how to spend and save money, not waste it. This rates increase will be passed onto tenants and businesses, causing a small country town

to suffer even more. There will be an increase in empty shops. Who would want to move here when living costs are higher than those in Sydney? There is a large portion of the Cootamundra community that are elderly or not working and this places them in unnecessary financial strain. Not to mention another land valuation due in 2024 during this SRV period.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] there had no been a rates increase untill now. The councils should Deamalgamate and work with its towns people not against them. We don't live in Sydney. Regional NSW should not be put in the same basket as major Cities. It is unfair, unreasonable and robbery to increase rates 51.5% higher than the 2.0% rate peg. This is an enormous amount. The initial recommendation by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was to increase rates by 62.5%, it was later stated a 53.5% is needed. Which one is it? It shows [REDACTED] [REDACTED] It just shows how much a council is prepared to destroy the economy of a small town and the future looks grim if council cannot manage its money now. Will we face another rates increase again in the future when council have no money again?

If you have attachments you would like to include with your feedback, please attach them below.

## Your Details

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**Individual**

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First Name

Last Name

Organisation Name

Position

Email



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