

LG Submission Form 2021-2022 - Applications

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If you have any general feedback regarding your council's proposed SV, please leave your comments in the comment box below.

As ratepayers in the Liverpool Plains Shire we are vehemently opposed to the significant rate rise that the council has applied for. The council spent ratepayer's money on an online and phone survey to gauge community opinion. The published report from the two surveys shows that 75% and 81% respectively of respondents were against the SRV. Main community concerns were affordability, that respondents did not trust the council to spend the money wisely or in the right areas, and concerns about the councils financial management. The report also showed that over half of the community were either not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the council. The report continued saying that satisfaction expressed was below the regional norm for councils applying for a SRV. I am astonished that the majority of these people who were supposedly elected to represent the community have completely disregarded the damning results of their own surveys and just rode roughshod over public opinion to proceed with this application. Their arrogance is breathtaking and when you have a look around at the general decline in the amenity of our town, it is only matched by their incompetence. I would urge the IPART committee to decline the application. There is no point wasting any more of our money. If this council is as bankrupt financially and morally as indicated, then any rate increase is just staving off the inevitable. It would be better to amalgamate with either the Tamworth or Gunnedah councils.

Your comments on Criterion 1:

Your comments on Criterion 2:

Your comments on Criterion 3:

Your comments on Criterion 4:

Your comments on Criterion 5:

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Your Details

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Individual

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First Name

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