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Your submission for this review:

Central Coast Council have a history of over spending money, rather than looking at labour and parts efficiencies and planned infrastructure maintenance and repair/replacement. In their own admission in last night's council meeting (28/09/2021), they stated "when IPART reduced the water/sewer rates that council were able to charge, Council had to use funds from the General rates to 'top up' the water/sewer." So rather than looking at their budget and objectively looking at how to work with the money coming in (which I'm assuming was on par with the per household amount that other water authorities get) they just used money that was not meant for that purpose! This only masked the problem and creates a bigger problem in other areas. (as was found out in October 2020) They should have been looking at ways to live within their means, but they have no interest in that, their only solution is to apply for this massive rate hike as well as applying for the current increase to our general rates to be applied for another 7 years past the 3 approved. They are not making any moves to improve their management, and giving them this increase will only reinforce this history of putting their hand out for more from the central coast residents when they have frivolously spent all of our money! Please tell them NO!! Enough is enough, the coasties cannot afford to pay for their ineptitude!!