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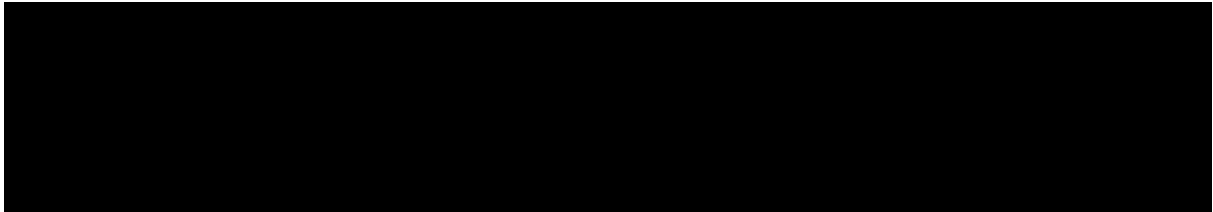
your reason for rejecting the increase , last attempt by Council . not enough information to public .
this has not changed , no meeting to explain any further details . Not one .

Council has run a scare campaign , claiming that if we were forced to join with Moree all base rate payments would rise to \$400 completely false , but used to scare elderly into support .
Even there report in this weeks paper showing claims , of studies and survey , both done before past request .

For me the problems are , we are told the large road network that falls under our council maintenance program .
council opened our area to Road trains traffic , which allowed huge amounts of funding to improve rd network .

But as we were joined with Bingara , I live in [REDACTED] .Most heavy traffic or 95% or higher don't go south towards Bingara .
we bear the brunt of noise and rd damage , even now a new section of rd planned , as a result of Council approving a doubling in size of a feed lot north of town , has now seen a poorly planned NONE BYPASS , Where council again used scare tactics , first claiming new rd would run along boundaries of private homes , then moved it out by just 100 mtrs to appease the owners worst affected , others options rejected were claimed to costly . again most power is from Bingara , none of these people will live with the noise and smell for ever , or lose \$\$\$\$ of there land value .

yet we are told at meeting before prior , failed increase request . that these forced amalgamation's will happen if not now then soon .
We were told how our current staff numbers at council would never be able to be maintained , and they should NOT . Two small towns with same staff both towns , one from each town wouldn't have enough to keep them busy , doing both towns wouldn't even be enough , but save a lot of money .
this is relevant to OFFICE STAFF , Not the outside working employees .





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