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Dear Sir/ Madam

My submission relates to the injustice being dealt to our part of the Hawkesbury City Council Area, being Oakville, Maraylya and Pitt Town. The council has recently unfairly redistributed the rates in the Hawkesbury to severely disadvantage the above mentioned areas, our rates have in the previous rating period increased 105% In the full knowledge that they would then further impose a 30% SRV, with total disregard to the residents, this redistribution in itself is the most unfair decision in the history of the council, another 30% SRV will be unsustainable.

I have lived all of my life in the Hawkesbury enjoying affordable, fair and transparent Councils with the good of the community at heart, this Council is far from that.

My Great Grandfather first settled the area in the late 1800's, and the bulk of his descendants like myself still live here, on original family land, now becoming elderly without means to remain on our properties because of a heartless council, we will be certainly forced from our life long homes if the SRV proceeds, with many elderly residents already looking to be displaced even without an SRV imposed.

Council has not engaged community in this process but told that this is the course of action that needs to be taken, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], the information supplied on the SRV is complicated and doesn't effectively explain what will be delivered with an SRV.

The Council misled the State government and the community about being a viable Council the prospect of amalgamation surfaced recently, saying they were financially viable, now the threat of amalgamation has gone, they say that we are not fit for the future without an SRV.

When considering this proposal we ask that you please consider our predicament

Regards

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