From: Gary Osborne

**Sent:** Sunday, 12 July 2015 4:57 PM **To:** Local Government Mailbox

Cc: John Sidoti

Subject: Council Amnalgamation Proposals!

## Dear IPart Commissioner,

I have attached below a very strong note in regard to the proposal by the Canada Bay Council to support the amalgamation of our Council with Burwood and Auburn!

I hope that you will have time to consider my letter?

Thanking you, Kind regards Gary Osborne

## PROPOSALS BY THE NSW LIBERAL GOVERNMENT TO AMALGAMATE LOCAL COUNCILS!

## WHY DO POLITICS COME INTO AND INTERFERE WITH GOOD GOVERNANCE???

CANADA BAY COUNCIL

## DEMOCRACY IS BY THE PEOPLE FOR THE PEOPLE????

If the State government needs to "play around" with the wishes of the local communities, why don't they arrange a referendum on the need for State governments? We, the people of Australia are over governed, over bureaucratised and bullied by politicians who wish to change our successful community structures without first announcing their intentions at election time??? Surely we can exist and prosper with only Federal and Local Governments???

The City of Canada Bay is a unique Council area and serves a very diverse and RAPIDLY GROWING population! The Council is already an amalgam of the former Concord and Drummoyne Local Government Areas and this Council is doing a great job to support the needs of its community.

Given the above positive comments on the Canada Bay Council, why did they, as alleged, play an "underhanded" game of politics to move a successful motion to have our Council amalgamate with Burwood and Auburn? The Council has not consulted with the people and the "shady" manner in which they pushed through the motion and then successfully moved a rescission motion to prevent further discussion in council for three (3) months is a travesty of democracy and should result in the Council being severely reprimanded?

Our Community of Canada Bay overwhelmingly rejects the council's recommendation of amalgamation

<u>Kind</u>	<u>regards</u>
Gary	Osborne.