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Select Council	Lismore City Council
If you have any general feedback regarding your council's proposed SV, please leave your comments in the comment box below.	As our elected representatives LCC should have recognised that our community needs should have been paramount to any and all of LCC's other determinations. They have to be aware that their community is struggling!
Your comments on Criterion 1:	<p>Fault needs to be clearly identified as being past poor fiscal and operational management practices on the part of LCC – the elected representatives and senior management. It would appear that there has been no acceptance of responsibility for this and no plans for rectification of these LCC senior management issues.</p> <p>This SRV does not guarantee appropriate expenditure, financial sustainability or sustainable management into the future.</p>
Your comments on Criterion 2:	<p>Due to no fault of the ratepayers we find ourselves in the situation of this bewildering and staggering SRV proposal; ie. no burden should be apportioned to the ratepayers.</p> <p>This SRV places additional and unsustainable demands on their already suffering and slowly recovering ratepayers.</p>

Your comments on Criterion 3:	<p>No consideration was given when suggesting this SRV proposal that this local government area has generally one of the lower socio-economic demographics of rural NSW with LCC area having higher than the state average for unemployment and lower than the state average for taxable income.</p> <p>We the ratepayers already pay above the state wide average for all Ordinary Residential, Business or Farmland rates!</p>
Your comments on Criterion 4:	All in the region have grave concerns regarding LCC's handling of this SRV!
Your comments on Criterion 5:	<p>There has been no indication to-date, that LCC has researched or indeed implemented any proactive management determinations!</p> <p>Indeed, LCC employee costs, stand at approximately 28% of their recurrent budget, 10% above the state average for employee costs!</p> <p>LCC's infrastructure backlog is 13.6%, the state average is 5.6%!</p>
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