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Sir/Madam

You are reading this email because I am protesting re rate increase that Bellingen Shire Council is trying to heavily handed thrust upon rate payers.  
As a pensioner my income is fixed and very limited, such to the extent that I am only capable of paying my rates on a monthly basis  
I feel that the Council, with TWO assistant GMs and an indoor staff that far exceeds the number of staff in similar size and much better performing Councils.  
BSC recently received a grant to "Beautify the main street, Hyde Street, and this has become a very contentious issue with rate payers. Apart from the so called beautification being totally unnecessary, the Council did not reserve any finances for the maintenance of this debacle, further burdening all ready financially stricken rate payers  
J. Taverner  
Bellinen rate payer