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Subject: Submission for the proposed merge of Auburn Council, Burwood Council and Canada Bay Council

As a resident in Breakfast Point governed under the Canada Bay Council, I do not believe there is any potential benefits on the merger.

I have read the proposal submitted by council. Firstly there is distinctive culture difference in the population of the three councils. Residents under Burwood council are mostly asians; Residents under Canada bay Council has a mixture of whites and asians; whilst residents under Auburn Council are mostly from middle-east. I understand Australia is multi-cultural and there is this expectation of assimilation, but a merger does not necessarily facilitate the assimilation.

From a financial point of view, it appears that Auburn council has \$15million in debt, and the merge will effectively lead to an increase in council rates on residents of Burwood Council and Canada Bay Council, who should not be responsible for such debts.

By reasons of the above, I oppose to the merger of the three councils.

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Regards,
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