From: Lyn

To: <u>Local Government Mailbox</u>

**Date:** Tuesday, 6 March 2018 10:51:23 AM

Dear IPART,

With regard to:

Clarence Valleys Councils Application for a 26% SRV Rates Rise:

Neither I, nor the People around me, can afford further increases in Rates.

Council has misled People by authorising the distribution of material that stretched the time line out over 10 years and then concluded that the average Residential Rate Increase was \$19 to \$50 per year.

Council has not accepted alternative proposals made by the Local Community to reduce Councils spending to affordable levels.

Councils Rate Rise would have an extremely negative impact on the Clarence.

The 26% Rates Rise occurs in the same time period as the Highway Bypass, and Bridge Workers, leave the area and the Highway By Pass Opens.

Give the Clarence a Chance,

I have grave concerns about the wellbeing for the people and environment of the Clarence Valley.

Sincerely, Ms Lyn Short