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To IPART

Dear Sir/Madam

I am appalled at the Liberal party's stance on Hawkesbury City Councils application for a Special Rate Variation. As an elected councillor at the time I was one who fought successfully against the State Governments move to have us amalgamated with the Hills council. Part of the conditions to remain an unamalgamated council imposed on us by the state government were that we were to be fit for the future, which included financing our backlog in infrastructure works. That condition included the availability of an SRV should we apply for it. So the current request for an SRV is part of the conditions we acquired in fighting amalgamation. Yet now we have the absurd situation where our local member and State Treasurer [REDACTED] and the Hawkesbury liberal councillors are opposing the very condition imposed on us by the NSW Liberal Government. [REDACTED] has said as much at a public meeting in Oakville. In spite of all this, I urge IPART to approve the SRV and allow Hawkesbury council to service its infrastructure backlog up to a satisfactory standard. With the liberal team severely depleted since the last elections, the present council has a mandate to do just that and it would be denying the right of Hawkesbury residents to have their wishes come to fruition if the SRV was disallowed.