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Subject: increase of the rates

As a local community member of the Bellingen shire i would like to oppose the 20% rate increase.

80% of our rates are wasted on administration fees and wages , which is higher than any shires around us. I would be happy to pay more rates if it would be spent wisely. I live at Darkwood road. we have no rubbish collection, our roads are in bad shape, specially further up the valley.

A lot of people owning a house are already struggling to pay the rates as it is now, specially elderly community members on age pension. They will loose their home and end up having to rent or living in their car. Rent in the belonged shire is very high.

Thanks for your consideration

Kind Regards

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