## LG Submission Form 2021-2022 - Applications

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## **IPART Special Variation Submission Form - Applications**

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If you have any general feedback regarding your council's proposed SV, please leave your comments in the comment box below.

Myself and many many other residents of Armidale and Guyra are already having financial difficulties, business's are closing at an alarming rate and so many people are stressed to the max just paying their everyday bills. Our land rates are already excessively high, council has also imposed several levies on top of their current rates and just increased the cost of town water by 61%, garbage costs and every other thing they have total control over has risen excessively, I fear any further rate increase may well be the straw that broke the camels back, all this on top of what was the worst drought in history locally, the Bushfires and the Covid19 pandemic. Inflation has been running at around .09% for the last 6yrs, councils regular CPI increase each and every year has been around 2.5%, which in real terms means they already have over 10% more than CPI increases. Small business are under a huge strain locally, Farmers, pensioners and lower income earners are almost at a break point, we all urge IPART to categorically reject ARC's application to increase rates further. It is about time they like the rest of us have to live within their own means and stop their squandering and over budget spending, which is not the publics doing, but that of their own internal issues. Thankyou for hearing our concerns, but please, please help us!

Your comments on Criterion 1:

Your comments on Criterion 2:

There has been several public protests to the increase of rates, all of which have fallen on deaf ears from the ARC

Your comments on Criterion 3:

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Your comments on Criterion 4:

Your comments on Criterion 5:

If you have attachments you would like to include with your feedback, plese attach them below.

## **Your Details**

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Individual

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First Name

Last Name

Organisation Name

Position

Email

I have read & accept IPART's Submission Policy

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