

# LG Submission Form 2021-2022 - Applications

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## IPART Special Variation Submission Form - Applications

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Document Reference	
Council	<b>Georges River Council, Minimum Rate Application</b>

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

**George's River Council have previously stated in correspondence responding to my objections specifically to their grand master plan of works at Gannons Park, that developers' contributions had provided a significant amount to support the works together with state government contributions. Due to the overdevelopment of the George's River local Government area there should be adequate funds available to cover community services. Georges River Council cannot claim, due to mismanagement, that a rate increase is necessary.** [REDACTED]

**[REDACTED] The neglect of maintenance of Carss Park War Memorial Pool and copious amounts of rate payers' funding wasted on consultation reports demonstrates the willingness to squander resources which could otherwise be directed in meeting the community expectations by providing adequate community resources. As many of the current councillors have backyard swimming pools, the high profile community call for a replacement facility has been consistently rejected and ignored. This is only one example of Council's inability to manage the exponential rise in population growth which has resulted from their approval of developments throughout the Georges River local government area. There would be no need for a rate increase if the General Manager, Mayor and Councillors refrained from throwing good money after bad with unnecessary consultation reports. Obviously a growth in population will result in a demand for Council services. Surely developer contributions would provide additional revenue, if this is insufficient, perhaps these contributions should be raised.**

Your comments on Criterion 1:

GRC appears to decide on projects that serve their interests or those of their associates and I have found in my experience demonstrate a disregard for community feedback. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The community has been very active in their objections to demolishing Carss Park War Memorial Pool. The neglect of this public amenity is an abomination not to mention the waste of rate payers' funding of consultation and engineering reports supporting the demolition of the pool. Community concerns have been raised about the Council's inability to maintain and adequately operate community facilities. Financial mismanagement does not justify a request for a rate rise. The concrete pathway at Gannons Park had to be pulled up and relayed in sections throughout the project. The success of the irrigation project is yet to be determined. There appears to be ongoing repairs.

Your comments on Criterion 2:

Obviously an increase in population growth will lead to increased demand for services. With an increase of overdevelopment, there will also be an increase in revenue received. There should be no need for rate payers' to pay an increase. The community would welcome a new Olympic sized pool for local government and would perhaps welcome an increase in rates if they could enjoy adequate public amenities.

Your comments on Criterion 3:

Absolutely rejected under the current operation and management.

Your comments on Criterion 4:

Your comments on Criterion 5:

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

## Your Details

Are you an individual or organisation?

**Individual**

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Organisation Name

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