## LG Submission Form 2021-2022 - notifications

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## **IPART Special Variation Submission Form**

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Review	(LG) Special Variations & Minimum Rates 2021-2022
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Please leave your comments in the comment box below.	I am objecting to Central Coast Councils proposed rates rise of between 10-15% Attached is a letter I have send to Central Coast Council advising of my issues and total objection.
If you have attachments you would like to include with	Central Coast Council.docx

## **Your Details**

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## Position

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I have read & accept IPART's Submission Policy

Central Coast Council 21/01/2021



Attn: The Administrator

Dear Sir

I am responding to the proposal to an increase in rates for Central Coast residences and want clarification on the following points.

1. The figures given by Council deviate from what was expected

It appears the options for increases advised are not related back to dollar averages for the past year which has resulted in higher figures given.

Using the Gosford averages the residential increase is nearly 20% not 10% and again closer to 25% for the proposed 15% increase.

This appears that the Gosford area of the Shire which I am part of at brunt of the increase which is totally unfair and unjustified.

2. We are currently paying double of the stated average for Gosford on our rates but at Mooney Mooney we receive little or no support from Council as we are at the extreme boundary of the Shire and are totally ignored and forgotten.

By proposing this increase and the fact that we are currently paying excessive rates shows a total disregard to our area with a one shoe fits all approach which is unjustified and unfair.

If an increase has to happen at all it should be made on a one off basis applicable to a level for each specific area of the Shire and not blanket the whole Shire with a unjustified penalty.

3. What is happening to recover the monies that have been mis-allocated

Why haven't the parties responsible been penalised for their actions not rewarded with a significant payouts.

Your advice on the actions the Council is taking is expected.

4. As a ratepayer we have had to endure amalgamation between Gosford and Wyong Councils with the onus and message being increased efficiencies and reduced costs overall across the Shire but all we have seen is increased staff levels and general costs across the Council including increased rates.

This is totally inacceptable and I need a full explanation of actions taken to rectify ongoing.

I look forward to your response on this matter

Yours Sincerely

Paul and Lynette McILWAIN