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Submission: This is not a matter for IPART.

This has nothing to do with pricing, but is driven by desire to provide ex-post facto vindication for a deliberate evasion of honest political discourse.

"Fit For The Future" stands in contravention of the right of voters to honest, complete and accurate political disclosure, necessary to enable informed and free choice..

We did not ask for Council amalgamations. Neither did we ask for councils to extend what they do beyond budgetary constraints.

We did not ask State government to deem councils presumptively unfit and call upon them to justify their independence..

We did not ask for boundary redistribution, or for control of council to be shifted toward the larger parties.

We did not ask for ward representation to be diluted.

We expressed no dissatisfaction with council services that would relate to size, and except so far as we have raised any issues with council we are highly satisfied with councils service.

We have occasionally asked Council to work within budget, when consulted.

We see no structural difficulty in doing so. Council must balance its accounts every year.

Structural change will neither eliminate nor remedy any need for annual balancing between competing objectives.

Fit for the future is as dishonest a rubric to cover undisclosed intent to procure desired objectives as is possible. We certainly do not want the agenda of any party that would commence with a gambit of putatively declaring all opposition to its views invalid.

Fairly obviously, such a presumption presages intent to recycle other people assets, beginning with hiving off for sale the shared amenity at which residents bought in, by shifting to residents the burden of proof.

We do not want help of that kind.

No matter how true motivations are obfuscated, that they are obfuscated is of itself reason enough to refuse such help..

I don't want to be, if I don't opt out, forced into a process .

We want Leichhardt Council left untouched. I note a forced choice as to IPARTS submissions policy. My declaration is subject to this: I have not read and so cannot decide as to the same. The policy is not attached.

That hardly leaves this a voluntary participation. We do so under threat. Please confirm receipt by emailing a copy back.