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Submission: I do NOT wish our Lake Macquarie City Council to be amalgamated with Newcastle City Council NOR ANY OTHER COUNCIL.... EVER.

Our Council serves and services a huge area, large and widespread. We are managed at the present quite well and successfully. I see huge complications arising should we be amalgamated with Newcastle City Council - we would most likely end up "the poor relations".

We have a sane and trouble free council and have done for many years.

Newcastle Council have for ages had troubles an trials and tribulations most of which, sadly they do NOT seem to handle NOR solve.

Please do NOT lump us in with Newcastle.