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Submission: We do not support the Dungog Shire rate increase variation that is proposed, we should not be penalised for past council poor judgement in not doing a gradual increase, and the present council wanting to do a huge CATCH-UP by such a huge increase, we are a very small population, with a large number of pensioners, who quite frankly cannot afford their rates doubled in a few years, so Dungog Council needs stopping in this increase in no uncertain terms.