LG Submission Form 2020-2021

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Question	Response
IPART Special Variation Submission Form	
Industry	Local Government
Review	(LG) Special Variations & Minimum Rates 2020-2021
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Select Council	Lismore City Council
If you have any general feedback regarding your council's proposed SV, please leave your comments in the comment box below.	I believe that the intended rise in LIsmore Council rates is too high and should be stopped.
	What is often overlooked is the fact of compounding increases. Although appearing on a small percentage increase each year when the compounding effect over say10 years is factored into the amounts is soon becomes clear what a large increase in these proposed amounts are. This is written conformation that I do not agree with t he proposed SRV increases in Lismore Council rates and believe they should
Your comments on Criterion 1:	be stopped. Clearly, Lismore Council struggles to mange their finances correctly. Better management of the existing revenue would alleviate the need for dramatic rate increases.

Your comments on Criterion 2:	I was not made aware by Lismore Council that there was a proposed rate variation. (only by chance I was made aware of this proposed increase). All of the Lismore Council ratepayer I know all seek for NO increase in yearly rates and no SRV. Again, although appearing a small increase, once the compounding effect over time is
	factor it is actual and large increase: adding burden to the average ratepayer finances.
Your comments on Criterion 3:	Lismore is know to be in a low socioeconomic region. Any rate increase would be felt directly by ratepayers, especially those on lower or limited incomes. Again, I oppose any special variation increase
	in Lismore Council rates.
Your comments on Criterion 4:	I believe there was not enough promotion and awareness to the public of these proposed rate variations, I was only made aware by chance.
	Again, I oppose any special variation increase in Lismore Council rates.
Your comments on Criterion 5:	If Lismore Council was better managed then it would not required the increased burden to ratepayers.
	Again, I oppose any special variation increase in Lismore Council rates.
If you have attachments you would like to include with your feedback, plese attach them below.	
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