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Submission: The Strathfield Municipal Council is doing a great job for the local residents in terms maintaining the lower debt level and safety of the environment. I do not see a necessity of the amalgamation except this is driven by political reasons - to balance the NSW State budgets, in addition to cover up their excessive expenses. The State Government should consider reducing their official overseas traveling, stop increasing their salaries and cutting off all their unnecessary entertainments (which I don't think they should have since they are not doing business) in the expense of the local residents. I strongly oppose the amalgamation. The State Government has no rights to go ahead without the local residents' approval. The amalgamation will devalue the identity of the Strathfield and other community aspects. It is a big NO for amalgamation.