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Submission: Under no circumstance do I want to see Strathfield Council merge with any council. As a standalone council they have done an exceptional job, have no debt and we pay a reasonable rate amount. Our council has done an exceptional job in keeping developments at a reasonable and sustainable level with our council being maintained clean, environmentally sustainable and picturesque, unlike other councils as part of the amalgamation proposal. As long term residents we have paid our dues to have an efficient council and should not be unfairly subjected to rate increase to subsidise other inefficient councils. Greater efficiencies can be achieved with smaller council areas, much in the same way that businesses perform better when they are smaller and have a better more concentrated focus. Under no circumstance do I want Strathfield Council to be merged with any other council. We residents and our Council should not pay the price and be merged to cover for the historic inefficiencies of other councils. **NO TO AMALGAMATION of STRATHFIELD COUNCIL.**