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<p>If you have any general feedback regarding your council's proposed SV, please leave your comments in the comment box below.</p>	<p>As ratepayers in Lismore City Council area, we are strongly opposed to the Council's SV for the following reasons;</p> <p>(1) Our rates are already high especially compared to neighbouring Councils.</p> <p>(2) Lismore already has NUMEROUS vacant shops and increased rates means increased rents, housing rentals also being affected. People cannot afford this.</p> <p>(3) Pensioners and low income earners certainly cannot afford the increase.</p> <p>(4) We believe old figures have been used to calculate the increase, thus making the increase look smaller than what it will be -- this is misleading to the rate payers.</p> <p>(5) We believe on such an important issue all councillors should be present for voting. Our understanding is some Councillors were absent when the vote was taken, this gave the Mayor the opportunity to use his casting vote to get the SV through council.</p> <p>(6) The Council seems to waste money, for example resealing roads and streets that don't need it, while leaving others in a deteriorating state. We do not see this Council as representing the majority of Ratepayers, or acting in the best interest of Ratepayers. Any additional rise will have a detrimental effect on the City and surrounds.</p>
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