From: Sent: Thursday, 30 July 2015 1:59 PM

To: IPART Mailbox

Subject: Council amalgamation

Dear Sir,

I wish to be more specific, all these outrages against amalgamation is only for the councils to fester their own interests and their own pockets at the expenses of services they pretend will be cut with a huge inefficient bureaucracy and naturally they don't want to loose this edge. As recently as demonstrated for Canterbury City Council, the general manager who is on \$ 300.00 a year salary and his mayor spent about \$ 50.000 in lunches from ratepayers money and to add salt to injury, the mayor arrogantly claimed to have lunches at ratepayers money is a legitimate council business, what a crap & corruption. That's why they don't want to loose this edge with no accountability or transparency.

I, for one I encourage amalgamation to put and end to corruption and be accountable and to stop the councils using the ratepayers money to gather support against amalgamation.

Thank you for your concern.