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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.	<p>This rate rise will make living in Lismore unaffordable. It is already difficult to live with current economic/cost of living expenses. Lismore businesses will be affected due to exceeding costs to have a business in Lismore - this will cripple an already struggling town (economically and socially).</p> <p>Given the excessive rate rise application, especially the current rates being already more expensive than other rural towns, I hope that you will listen to the people.</p> <p>Lismore Council has been exposed to have mismanaged our rate funds recently, as a result there are over \$6million unaccounted for. Now they are asking for such an unjust increase in our rates after this. This is insulting.</p> <p>On a final note, Lismore Council spent a lot of our rate payments to ask the community their opinion on the rate rise, and despite exceeding opposition against this SRV, the council motioned to go forward with it anyway. We were not listened to or heard, as a community, and our rates were wasted through this community opinion project - what is the point if you don't listen to the community anyway? This is further insulting to be honest with you.</p>

Your comments on Criterion 1:	
Your comments on Criterion 2:	From my understanding, the full cumulative increase has not been presented accurately by Lismore Council. Taking into account the interest will be charged on top of already increased rates, the overall %increase proposal for the SRV is much greater than they disclose.
Your comments on Criterion 3:	<p>This rate rise will make living in Lismore unaffordable. It is already difficult to live with current economic/cost of living expenses. Lismore businesses will be affected due to exceeding costs to have a business in Lismore - this will cripple an already struggling town (economically and socially).</p> <p>Given the excessive rate rise application, especially the current rates being already more expensive than other rural towns, I hope that you will listen to the people.</p>
Your comments on Criterion 4:	Lismore Council spent a lot of our rate payments to ask the community their opinion on the rate rise, and despite exceeding opposition against this SRV, the council motioned to go forward with it anyway. We were not listened to or heard, as a community, and our rates were wasted through this community opinion project - what is the point if you don't listen to the community anyway? This is further insulting to be honest with you.
Your comments on Criterion 5:	
If you have attachments you would like to include with your feedback, please attach them below.	
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