The Director IPART

Dear Sir

Lismore Council's SRV Application

I have briefly perused Council's submission for a rate increase and note that the submission mentioned community consultation, focusing on the report prepared by Hunter Research Foundation.

What Council's submission did **NOT** include was the analysis of submissions received to the exhibition of the SRV proposal over the Christmas /New Year period 2014/2015. On the next page I have included a breakdown of submissions received. This analysis was supplied by Council officers

It is important to note the number of submissions received against the SRV Application from people within the LGA. In this day and age of electronic communication, people who live outside the LGA can make submissions to an application (in this case the SRV). People outside the LGA will of course not be impacted by any SRV. Thus their submissions should not be taken into account in any decision the tribunal makes.

I request that the Tribunal take into account the overwhelming rejection of the SRV by the residents of the LGA (highlighted in red in the tables on the next page), when the Tribunal hands down its decision.

Thank you and should you wish to discuss this matter please contact me.

Regards



Councillor Graham Meineke

Submissions to the proposed **Special Rate Variation**

 Table 1: Types of submissions to the proposed Special Rate Variation

	Object	Support	Inconclusive	Total
Individual submissions	688	281	29	998
Petitions	46	299		345
Form letters	165	18		183
Total:	899	598	29	1526

Table 2: Breakdown of all submission addresses (includes all types of submissions - individuals, petitions and form letters)

	Supportive	Objecting	Inconclusive	Total
No addresses (by email)	178	215	13	406
With addresses in the LGA	280	648	13	941
With addresses outside the LGA	136	19	2	157
With no details at all (no address or email)	4	17	1	22
Total	598	899	29	1526

Table 3: Breakdown of individual submission addresses

	Supportive	Objecting	Inconclusive	Total
No addresses (by email)	178	202	13	393
With addresses in the LGA	89	456	14	559
With addresses outside the LGA	10	13	1	24
With no details at all (likely to be walk-in submissions)	4	17	1	22
Total	281	688	29	998

 Table 4: Breakdown of petition submission addresses

	Supportive	Objecting	Inconclusive	Total
With addresses in the LGA	174	46		220
With addresses outside the LGA	125			125
Total	299	46	0	345

Table 5: Breakdown of form letter submissions addresses

	Supportive	Objecting	Inconclusive	Total
No addresses (by email)		13		13
With addresses in the LGA	16	144		160
With addresses outside the LGA	2	8		10
With no details at all (likely to be walk-in submissions)				0
Total	18	165	0	183