From: forsterfam@bigpond.com **Sent:** Friday, 3 July 2015 5:32 PM **To:** Local Government Mailbox

Subject: SUBMISSION for "Fit for the Future" Council proposals

Dear Local Government Team IPART,

I wish to submit my very strong objection to the proposed merger of Canada Bay Council with Auburn Council!

These two councils are worlds apart in social and economic links and the expectations of the residents of both councils are extremely different as can be seen by the lovely parklands, lovely clean streets and waterways in Canada Bay Council, compared to the very untidy and often dirty appearance of many areas in the Auburn Council.

Canada By Council is well established and everything is working very well so why should we have to take on the problems and expense of upgrading Auburn Council to the detriment of Canada Bay.

I notice that the ILGRP recommendation was for Ashfield, Burwood, City of Canada Bay, Marrickville, Leichhardt and Strathfield merge.

While I prefer to stay as an independent council, the above ILGRP recommendation makes much more sense to me as they are far more compatible areas with similar socio/economic environments.

If this amalgamation is going to be forced upon the people, at least try to match "like for like" without forcing people to be thrown together without any consideration for compatibility in any area!

Regards,

Lorraine Forster