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Your submission for this review:

IPART Submission - Resident Submission Residents in CCC area have already faced a rate of 15% annually for next 3 years. That we were promised for a period of 3 years. LIES. The CEO now wants it to be a permanent fixture. Note inflation rate is approximately 2.5%. Now CC wants a 34% increase for water rate rise, now noting that IPART is to grant this at 19%. I repeat inflation is at 2.5% and wage rises across the nation are stagnant at best, actually rising below the inflation rate. Common sense should prevail here. How are local residents of CCC going to pay for such massive increases to rates and services? Council has spent \$200K plus to engage a private company to prepare a good submission to IPART for this water and sewer increase. Why is such a significant amount of money to be used in this way when Council has Executives that cant prepare the same? Once again theres no value for money for the rate payers. The mismanagement of CCC bureaucracy pertaining to this water rate increase was further highlighted in a IPART public forum on 26 February 2022 where there were 16 (thats right 16!) of its staff in attendance to stack and intimidate the audience. Ironically only 3 (yes 3!) actually spoke on the subject. What does that suggest? Dont these council employees have other tasks to hand, potholes to fix, write their own submission and save residents \$200 K in the process? IPART needs to take note of the seriousness of this CCC problem. Any increase to water rates is not going to lead any significant and noticeable improvement in water and sewer services. Past increase with no accountability has demonstrated this. Refer to attached correspondence to CCC about local drainage dating back to 2012 with NO action let alone any improvement. I rest my case. A 19% increase to water will not see any improvement to service and delivery. If the 16 CCC employees on the recent Zoom as previous outlined actually did their job, such an increase would not be necessary.

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Dear Sir

**Subject: Drainage concerns corner Showground Rd Maliwa Rd Narara**

Thank you for your recent correspondence relating to drainage issues on Showground Road.

Due to the nature of the site, there is very little fall from the road area to the creek and at high tide, the road and drainage network does hold water. This promotes siltation and further blockages.

Maintenance Operations is programming drainage works in that area and is currently performing environmental checks and securing a permit for maintenance work near the creek. Upon receipt of the permit, the drainage in the area will be maintained to ensure it performs as designed.

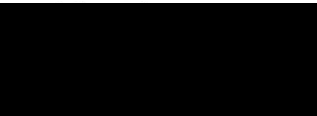
Should you have any further enquiries regarding this matter please do not hesitate to contact City Services Maintenance Coordinator Erina, [REDACTED]

Yours faithfully

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Maintenance Coordinator  
Maintenance Operations

27 February 2017



Dear 

**Subject: Drainage Concerns Cnr Showground & Maliwa Rds Narara**

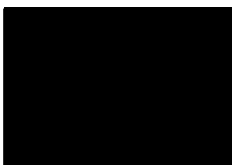
Thank you for your letter in relation to drainage issues on Showground Road.

Council is in negotiations with NSW Fisheries to obtain permits to dredge the outlets of several drainage lines located within tidal zones. The above site is one such outlet. In these negotiations, it was suggested by NSW Fisheries that Council seeks approval for the dredging of multiple outlets on the one permit. This will be more economical for Council and simplify the programming of future works.

This process has however, led to an upfront delay in the commencement of works as multiple sites are being assessed. Planning is continuing with physical work expected to commence in the middle of the year across several sites, including on the corner of Showground and Maliwa Roads.

Council apologises for the delay in commencement of work. Should you have any enquiries regarding these matters please contact Council's Customer Service Centre, on telephone 

Yours faithfully



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