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Your submission for this review:

Local Government Helping you get local government services at a fair price This is what it says on the front of the IPART website. In the case of my local council, Tenterfield, this is not true You approved a Special Rate Variation (SRV) as follows FY 2014-15 15% FY2015-16 10% FY2016-17 10% FY2017-18 10% That is a total of 53.07% for those 4 years and is to stay permanent. We are not getting local government services at a fair price. We are getting very poor services at an inflated price. In the last 4 years Tenterfield Council have increased their administration budget by over 100%. Yet you at IPART go along with this and simply increase our rates, rather than looking at council and instructing them to get their admin costs under control. My wages nor the income from my farm has gone up anywhere near this amount. How do you expect people to pay, many in this shire are on fixed incomes, in fact the median income of the shire is one of the lowest in the state. You have forgotten one very important thing, the communitys ability to pay. In Tenterfields case it almost at breaking point. The only increase allowed should be that of the CPI Regards John Green