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Your submission for this review:

Hopefully this review on councils is an authentic review and just not Government pretending to be investigating councils when they are aware of the outcome being predetermined to simply increase rates under the banner of "We have an independent review" Firstly all councils should be investigated into the ridiculous salaries held by executive management. Since when does a General manager have a salary higher than the NSW PREMIER in these so called government bodies. And on these government bodies, the Federal Government held a referendum on Councils being a Third Tier Government which was voted down by the Australian people, but here we are endorsing local councils to ██████ take money from the public and all bodies including IPART are turning a blind eye to this ██████. I for one have no issue paying for services supplied by council like Garbage, water and sewer. The taking of a land rate was highlighted in the referendum as a Land Tax which only the Tax Commissioner can apply not a bunch of ego council management. The state government should stop handing over to council costs which are a benefit for TAX PAYERS of which is TAX PAYERS MONEY and creating a monopoly for the public to pay again. In every council there should be a policy that no council or General Manager can hold meetings without the public being restricted to attend. The guidelines as to all policies need to be reviewed to stop these people just ticking boxes but actually doing ██████ business for ██████. All council should not be under the banner of a Business and hold an ABN as how can a governing body be what it is suppose to be regulating, "you cant be half pregnant" Councils finances are not being used to the publics best interest but to the managements interest which is evident in my council of spending \$500K on ridiculous laneway improvements which are absurd by the majority of the community. Hopefully IPART you can tidy up this mess created by State Governments cost shifting. Doubt