

LG Submission Form 2021-2022 - Applications

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IPART Special Variation Submission Form - Applications

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Review	(LG) Special Variations & Minimum Rates 2021-2022
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Council	Georges River Council, Minimum Rate Application
If you have any general feedback regarding your council's proposed SV, please leave your comments in the comment box below.	<p>I constantly see in the paper that council hasn't put our rates up in years, yet my rates went up 24% last year, as did many people in the area .How can they tell such lies, yet the press seem to just believe them. As a retired senior that's substantial money to have to find. Meanwhile gone are the days where council maintain parks, roads, collect garbage etc, & serve us out of the goodness of their hearts, they go around, making big fellows of themselves, spending millions of our hard earned money on unnecessary awards & lavish programs & perks, they say we want, when all we want is low rates & the basics. Sure if they save by living within they're miens one year, spend on something special-like we do.</p>

Your comments on Criterion 1:

As per my previous comment above. We already have great sporting facilities, libraries, bus interchange, schools, transport, parking, shop, green space galore, bushland, parks. We don't need to reinvent the wheel, we've got enough. Reduce our rates instead, maintain what we've got, drastically reduce council & save for that occasional special project. If special groups want to have special events, they need to fund it, not our money through council. Some of the parks are no sooner finished than they are redesigned again, both times costing millions of our money- us rate payers are struggling while that's going on.

Your comments on Criterion 2:

Anyone can make up projects & cost them when someone else is paying for it but in the councils case they are not paying for it, we are & I'm saying it's time they stopped dreaming up unnecessary projects at our struggling expense. The average rate payer is fed up with paying for councils dreams (at times they even ask us for suggestions for future projects). In the Leader paper council is threatening they'll have to reduce this & reduce that if they don't get an increased rate. Outside the essentials, those cuts are what I'm suggesting.

Your comments on Criterion 3:

Again as above. Criterion 3 indicates constant rate increases are ok. I'm saying they're not. Council keep dreaming up unnecessary projects that we have to fund where the money is much more needed in the householders pockets. Council threaten that if they don't get the rate increase they'll have to decrease this & that. outside emergency items, that's exactly what I'm proposing. Our pockets aren't a bottomless well for council to drain. Keep in mind council said our rates haven't gone up for years, & the paper printed it, yet I, & a lot in my area, even a lady at council, went up 24% last year, imagine what that's like when you're a retired senior.

Your comments on Criterion 4:

as above

Your comments on Criterion 5:

council needs to vastly reduce costs, stop dreaming up unnecessary projects, we've got enough, maintain what we've got & emergency services & reduce rates.

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