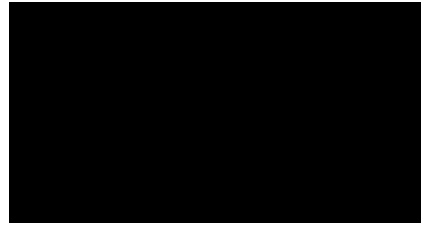


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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my disappointment in the way our rates have risen we purchased the above noted property that was listed in the farming zone the rates in the section 32 state the money figure of \$738 per year.

We received our rates notice in August to find that the rates have gone up to \$2,564.53 which is a large jump. This property is 49 acres and is in a farm zone we applied for a permit for a dwelling as part of the condition of the contract of sale to ensure we could build on the land part of the councils conditions for the permit required a submission of a farm management plan of which we paid a town planner to do we were successful with our permit but have not started to build ATM. My understanding is the land has been changed from residential to vacant land. Which is has incurred the higher charges. The council have also undervalued our property we paid 255,000 the value on the rates are 234,000. The previous owner was paying the \$738 prior to the property changing hands.

We were asked to complete an application to have the land moved back to the farm rate differential but we were knocked back. We paid a Town planner for a farm management plan this was a requirement of the permit. In my opinion this should also be taken into consideration. The council are not moving on their decision and we are feeling frustrated and have stated that there is no further way for my to complain re this matter.

