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Productivity Commission Local Government Study.

East Gippsland Shire Council Rate Increase years 2006/2007 was 7%
In the years 2007/2008 the increase is 6%

The inflation rate of the Commonwealth is 2.4%
Why should the rate payers pay above this amount?

Fifteen shires in Victoria have put up the rates exactly 6%
I query whether this is a coincidence or collusion?

The East Gippsland Shire had a workforce of 94 employees in 1998. In the year 2005 the workforce was 194 or an increase of 100 in a fairly short period. The population between the above date increase only by 1500 persons. It appears that the Shire is run very inefficiently.

A Shire Councilor advised me that in 2005 the Shire had seventy Motor cars

Source of information. Council employees. The Age Newspaper.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N.F. Strange'.



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