

I have just returned home from the umdeenth town meeting in Nyora about sewerage. As a rate payer of 23 years it wears a little thin to see we have not advanced in 20 odd years. What was revealed tonight was that your organisation felt the costing structure created by the local authorities was excessive and should be reviewed. 20 years plus in the making and you good folk feel the costing should be reviewed. Hell its taken all this time to get something happening and you people want it reviewed for costings that may put us back another 2-3 years. The cost of \$800 per land holder to have the sewerage main go past the front door I don't think is excessive. It was revealed that the South Gippsland Water is planning a 2% per annum rise across the board to all customers to assist in meeting the full development costs. 2% is no unreasonable.

If you feel the costs are unreasonable how about suggesting an alternative rather than just saying we think it needs reviewing.

Winter after winter this town litetally floats on s__t. The type of soil and watertable present when added to the septic system ground water leaves water laying everywhere and it can't escape. You only have to look at some of the town drains to see raw effluent flowing at various times.

We need to get sewerage happening so that this town can develop. In the not too distant future authorities will be looking for land to develop for residential expansion. We have the land but need the sewerage.

Yours faithfully

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