The basis for this action is that the people that live in the proposed area, work in Rockhampton and use amenities provided by Rockhampton Regional Council.

This may be the case, but it also happens in just about every other council area in Queensland, to some degree, with the highest interaction in the south east corner

and should not be any part of the justification to support the land grab..

Closer to home Broadsound Shire Council and Mackay City Council would also be in the same situation of the smaller shire using the larger councils amenities – both work and play.

The argument that the residents of these suburbs have voted in the past, to become part of Rockhampton should have no impact on your decision, as when they purchased their

properties they knew that they we part of the Livingstone Shire Council and so they should remain.

As it is Livingstone Shire is one of the highest rated shires in Queensland, as it is, and if this land grab goes ahead, the rates will be even higher.

I do not believe that there is any precedent to allow this action by Rockhampton Regional Council to occur.

Tony Arnold

