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Dear Sir/Madame,

Why should I be rated as a normal house?

1. I don't have water mains and I paid for a 'Borehole' which was not grant aided.
2. The Water Service would not supply mains water because it was not cost effective.
3. I am not part of the public sewer system and pay to get my septic tank emptied.
4. I don't have street lighting or public transport as the town is six miles away.
5. I live in an area classed as an 'Area of Outstanding Beauty' which is rapidly becoming an area of 'Outstanding Hazard' due to illegal dumping, which includes chemicals which are endangering my water supply, with no response from the Environment and Heritage or the Local Council.
6. I am confused by the literature on rates, which states that it includes education or health when there are separate budgets for health and education. It mentions Environment and Building Control but house builders pay for these services.

Should I be rated as a normal house which does not have mains water and depend on a 'Borehole' water supply etc. Thank you