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A Council anti-amalgamation protest song launched on Brisbane ABC radio recently by Sunshine Coast based singer/song writer Yvonne Barlow, seems set to take rural Queensland by storm.

The Brisbane ABC station's switchboard was jammed by callers following the launch on the Morning Programme.

Ms Barlow, who is also a Pine Rivers Shire Councillor said today, "I was motivated to write and record the song following a desperation phone call from an old friend and colleague, Joan White, who is Mayor of the Inglewood Shire".

Councillor White commented this morning that she was tickled pink with the result from her phone call.

"It's a long held tradition that country folk often turn to poetry or song to express their feeling during times of trouble and woe. The current forced amalgamation saga in Queensland is such a time".

Ms Barlow said she would welcome any decision to use the song to publicise the plebiscite being conducted in late November.

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