



Ashfield Council

Contact: Nellette Kettle
Phone: 9716 1909

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Mr Hugo Harmstorf
Chief Executive Officer
IPART
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NSW 1230

Dear Mr Harmstorf,

Notification of Intention to Apply for a Special Rate Variation under s508A of the *Local Government Act 1993*

This letter is to formally advise IPART of Council's intention to submit an application for a multi-year variation under section 508A of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

The terms of the application are as follows:

- Applicable from 1 July 2015
- Permanent increase in the rating base
- Four annual increases, including the permissible rate increase of:
 - Year 1 – 2015/16 – 7.5%
 - Year 2 – 2016/17 – 8.2%
 - Year 3 – 2017/18 – 8.9%
 - Year 4 – 2018/19 – 9.3%
- The additional funding will be used for infrastructure renewal and maintenance and to reduce infrastructure backlogs.
- Council's contact for this application is Ms Nellette Kettle, Director Corporate and Community Services, Ph: 9716 1909, email: nellettek@ashfield.nsw.gov.au

Council will continue to inform the community of the proposal through the revised Integrated Planning documents which will be exhibited in the coming weeks in accordance with the legislative requirements.

Council will lodge its application by the due date of 16 February 2015.

Yours faithfully

Vanessa Chan
General Manager