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Submission: I'm worried that the combined effect of this 7.5% rate increase per year, plus the standard rate variation increases for the next four years will have an impact on my quality of life as a pensioner. This is way outside of any increases that I would be able to offset with pension increases handed out by the Government. I acknowledge, and gratefully appreciate, the pension allowance that I receive from council now on my rates but, with other rising costs of fuel, food and electricity, this could not compensate with these total costs. Thank you.