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To Whom It May Concern.

I am really cross at having to re-write my submission as an email because your system has refused to accept my submission about 10 times when I have jumped through all the hoops.

Here is my submission anyway – much contracted.

I agree with Council's Option 3 of the Hawkesbury Council's Application on rates.

The Hawkesbury is the largest LGA in the Sydney region and has many outlying villages and small communities all of which have need for amenities at relatively close proximity.

The districts far flung roads of many hundreds of miles need constant maintenance.

The residents of Oakville have had the value of their acreages increased significantly due to the approaching Global City of Sydney, large immigration rates and Government policies, not due to any interference from Hawkesbury Council.

Whilst I feel sorry for these residents I also do not feel it is fair that all other Hawkesbury residents, whose land has not seen such lucrative value increases, should subsidise the rates of the residents of Oakville. Because, at anytime Oakville residents can sell up for a handsome sum, and if their rates have been subsidised by others not as fortunate in their land values, then, they, the Oakville residents will have had two bites of the cherry at the expense of others less fortunate than themselves.

Oakville residents should turn their concerns onto the Government that has put them in this position in the first place and should ask their local State member, [REDACTED] to explain. It is something that has happened to the chook farmers of Kellyville and Schofields etc before them – and they sold up for millions.

I have lived in the Hawkesbury for nearly 40 years and have to admit it has been sorely neglected for a very long time.

If our Council is to be regarded as Fit For The Future then a rate increase is needed.

If our Council is to make the Hawkesbury into a pleasant and safe place to reside then it needs to increase the rates.

If we in the Hawkesbury have pride in our place then must be prepared to accept a rate increase for the good of all.

Thank You



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