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Submission: I object to this rate variation for the following reasons:

there has been an enormous increase in apartments in the town centre and surrounding area in the Local Government Area and this should provide enough funds for the needs of the council

the case presented by the council for the rate variation was not supported by financial statements to indicate the council's expenses and thus justify the rate increase

the council states that the rate increase is for fixing damaged roads, most of the damage is caused by the trucks involved with the construction of new buildings for which the developers are levied for road damage