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i do not agree with the intended rate rise which Maitland City Council is wanting. We are a single income family who is already on a very fine budget and with this increase the council wants to lumber the Maitland rate payers with we will have even less movement in our budget.

We are a family of 4, 2 adults and 2 young children, who are wanting to stay in the area because of school and activities but if this rate rise goes through we may need to rethink our plans.

I understand that a rise is needed to keep inline with the CPI but this increase is heaps more than this. I hope that this increase is reconsidered before people move out of the area because they, like many families, cannot afford this added cost in their budgets.