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Submission: I already pay over \$2500 for my rates and this rise will severely impact me. From what I've seen and heard, the council have no defined budgets for the proposed projects...only estimates. I have no confidence in them spending the extra money as promised.

This rise is way above the rate of inflation and will put huge pressure on already financially stretched households. When the council surveyed residents before they proposed the SVR the rejection votes were about 60%. They ignored this and went ahead anyway. Don't we live in a democracy?