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Subject: Special Rate variation Port Stephens Council

As a long term Port Stephens rate payer I am appalled at the proposed increase and wish it known I oppose it.

It is unjustifiable when people in the region are struggling to meet every day costs and simply cannot afford 7.5% pa increase - many will find 2.5% difficult.

It is well known the need for another access road connecting the two peninsulars should be THE priority (from Lemon Tree Passage to Taylor's Beach) but there is no mention of this. The road would be of great economic benefit not to mention the safety aspect (particularly in respect to the recent bush fires with only one road in and out) and management of increased traffic flow on Nelson Bay Road.

Many of the proposed projects can only described as WANTS not NEEDS and simply do not justify such an exorbitant increase

This is an individual submission. Wish to have my submission published but anonymously.

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