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Submission:

I wish to object to the foreshadowed rate rise by Warringah Council above and beyond the iPart capped rate rise for 2014-2015 for the following reasons:

- I am a self-funded retiree and consider the rate rise excessive to me personally in these times of economic difficulties
- 1. The 3 options outlined by council did not include an option to maintain the existing services within the permitted rate cap – meaning that council do not appear to have considered any cost cutting or productivity increases to keep rates within the iPart cap. I find this most offensive as many rate payers will be expected themselves to cut and/or re-arrange their own budgets to afford the proposed rate increase
- 2. The Mayor and several of his supporting councillors appear to be highly biased towards the maximum rate increase option rather and not considerate of the concerns of ratepayers that can ill afford the proposed rate increase.

Regards,

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