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Submission: I am against any rate rise in Port Stephens because it is unaffordability. Council in justifying the rate increase said that there is a low incidence of rates not being paid at Port Stephens. Will Council be happy id more people can't afford to pay their rates. The list of projects council used to be funded with a rate increase varied from information meeting to meeting, as with the costings, then the whole list got unqualified when they said this list may change. Council ignored the 70% of submissions that opposed any rate increase.