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To whom it may concern.

My husband & I live in Ulladulla part of the Shoalhaven Council, we are on an old age pension & struggling to make do & living on a very tight budget.

We do not have any holidays, eat out or other luxuries.

Now we have the worry of increases in rates, water, fire levies, electricity, gas, health insurances, home & contents insurance & cost of food.

How much more can we cope, we are being sucked dry, it would be easier to sell our home which we worked hard to buy & pay off & go into a rental property, it seems the old people are paying with their blood.

Thanks to all the increases, it looks like we are being punished for working hard & thinking we will enjoy our retirement. What a joke! No Wonder Sydney has become the dearest state & Australia the most expensive country in the world. If more people sell their homes & go into rentals, then councils won't have incomes coming in & surplus Money in the coffers.

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