From: Helen O'Grady Sent: Monday, 9 March 2015 2:22 PM To: IPART Mailbox Subject: Ashfield council special variation rate

We understand Ashfield Council has consulted with the community about the Special Rate Variation, which we support for the following reasons.

1 Our school uses Ashfield Aquatic Centre and the pupils would be disadvantaged if it closed.

2 We need to upgrade our local infrastructure, parks, roads, footpaths, stormwater and community facilities.

3. As a family we are part of Ashfield swim club that has a long history at the pool, supports local familiies and runs an amazing learn to swim program that teaches life saving skills at very low cost

4. When our children were young the pool was an excellent safe place to go for them to have fun and for all of us to be together. It is a very important community resource.

Helen O'Grady,