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Subject: Proposed Rates Increase

We live at [REDACTED] and have been horrified each time we read of the Council increasing our Rates by such huge percentage as is being proposed.

This action by Council is causing us a great degree of stress and anxiety as we will no longer be able to afford to live in our home.

Already we have difficulty meeting our financial commitments from the Government pension we receive and we'd like to lodge our strong objection to the increase in Rates that about to be levied.

There are many retirees in the area covered by Shoalhaven Council and we suspect that, like ourselves, they will be placed under similar financial hardship.

Should Council proceed with the proposal to impose such an unreasonably high percentage increase, then surely ratepayers who are receiving Government pensions could be exempted.

Sincerely  
Irene Travers & Mike Smith  
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