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Your submission for this review:

I have reviewed the draft report and while opposed to the rise due to affordability, i am in favour of the steady increase over a number of years although i do believe an initial 19% in the first year is quite a substantial increase, possibly 10% then 10% then the remainder? However, I don't agree with the council being in control of providing transparency and conveying the spenditure with the community. This has failed in the past by the council. And as CC water is primarily managed and funded from the council I would not see this happening. I would like to see it written in as such a review is required to ensure the appropriate caveats are met before proceeding with an increase. Also the possibility of a liquidated damages clause if this is not met and repaid to the ratepayers. This ensuring the council/cc water have a binding agreement that this will be upheld. I would also like to see reconsideration on a number of current planned water projects including drainage and upgrade works. There appears to be a push for big project with minimal results or easier ways to achieve the proposed outcomes but they have not been reviewed or halted due to the financial position of council. I would also like to mention the amalgamation of the stormwater into the CC water rates. Does this mean that there will be a decrease in the standard council rates? As this is not disclosed. As one would see this as again an increase to all overall rates seen by the community