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Subject: SAVE ASHFIELD OUTDOOR POOLS - I support the SRV

To whom it may concern,

My wife and I were in attendance when Ashfield Council consulted with the community about the Special Rate Variation, which we support for the following reasons. Our community and schools use Ashfield pool. We would be disadvantaged if it closed. Ashfield needs to upgrade, maintain and repair our local infrastructure, parks, playgrounds, canteens, roads, footpaths, stormwater, shopping centres and community facilities, at a faster rate.

Having lived in the area for the past thirty eight years we have been lucky enough to raise three adult children who now have their own children.

The pool was here when we first came and our family used it very often both through the schools and also in our own time.

In 1977 we knew the local facilities would deteriorate over the following years and so we are now quite prepared to support an urgent upgrade for the future of all young families within the area.

It is a prerequisite for all young children living in this country to learn to swim and therefore we are very privileged to have such a facility.

If people wish to live in comfort and improve their living standard then it takes hard work, sacrifices and money.

Nothing comes free.

We support ashfield Councils proposal and the SRV.

JOHN & MAUREEN CRITCHLEY