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I am writing to ask that you deny Great Lakes Council any sort of 'Special Rate Variation', due to the fact that they are not spending the rate payers money responsibly and efficiently.

Last year State Govt. Said GLC did not need amalgamation, due to being well run, and if this is so why do they need more rate payers money to waste?. They have built a supermarket building for Woolworths, also purchased land which was designated for an IGA store, and know want to build a multi-story building at a cost of \$12 million (all to be borrowed) on it. The SRV requested will not be spent on roads and essential items because the last one was not. About 6 years ago they imposed a \$25 rain water levy on all residences in Great Lakes Area. None of this money seemed to be spent on cleaning up the waterways or collecting continuous rubbish which washes down the canals into Wallis Lake. This rubbish is cleaned up every week by the local volunteers. Not at a cost to council.

This SRV is not deserved in any form and no increase in rates should be approved at all. Please consider carefully before approving SRV to any council.

Great Lakes Council has hundreds of volunteer workers (of which I am one) doing all sorts of jobs from cleaning canals, to the upkeep of many parks and reserves weekly, at no cost to the council This is a poor way to repay them.

Yours Sincerely John O'Meara