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From:

Sent: Wednesday, 13 March 2019 11:44 AM To: Local Government Mailbox; John Madden

Subject: Objection to North Sydney Council Proposed Rate Increase

John Madden IPART

Dear Sir,

We, the undersigned, support the submission by Crs Baker, Beregi and Carr in stating that the proposed rate increase by North Sydney Council is unjustified and unnecessary. It also falls unfairly on the residential properties, despite the fact that rates on commercial properties in North Sydney are significantly lower than the rates on commercial properties in both City of Sydney and Willoughby Councils.

We have been living in our house since the late 1960s and are part-pensioners. We find the proposed rate increase over 5 years to be excessive and onerous, considering our limited income.

We consider that the information on this proposal distributed by the council was inadequate and unclear and carried out when many people were on summer holidays.

This matter should be reconsidered by Council and given far more publicity and opportunity for community submissions, prior to submitting it to Ipart. This consultation period should be called, "Proposed Residential Rate Increase", so that the community knows what is actually being proposed.

John and Ann Rochester

