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Subject: Lets not lose Ashfield Pool!!

We are not within the Ashfield Council Area, we are in Dulwich Hill but if we were asked to support the Ashfield Pool and stop it from being closed down - we would do whatever we could!

A local pool provides so much to so many people and its ignorant to think that the benefits are only within the local councils area. We don't have a pool in Dulwich Hill. We have to go to Ashfield, Canterbury, Marrickville or Petersham. Out of area residents like us get to take advantage of the pool that is closest to us paid for by local residents. It happens everywhere. We pay rates to the Marrickville Council but use the Ashfield Pool in preference to the Marrickville Pool.

I would pay additional rates in my local area to make sure a pool was upgraded and maintained by our local council. Anybody with children understands the value of a local pool in summer and the variety of activity it enables. With a variety of pools Ashfield provides a safe swimming environment for many age groups.

Our children go to Summer Hill Public but we use Ashfield Pool on Swimming Carnival Day. We swim for fun in the pool with the kids but many people I know out of Ashfield area also swim for health and fitness in the Ashfield Pool.

In tightly packed residential areas like Marrickville and Ashfield we need great local facilities like the pool. Surely a small rate variation is worth it. Please support the rate variation!!

On behalf of all those people who use the pool - WE SUPPORT ASHFIELD COUNCIL'S SPECIAL RATE VARIATION

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