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Subject: Ashfield Pool - I support Ashfield Council's - Special Rate Variation

It has come to my knowledge that much work is needed at Ashfield Pool to restore its facilities.

I think that this work for the communities' benefit is essential as 'the experts' tell us that swimming is the best 'low impact' form of sport to assist with fitness – most essential in an aging population – quite a lot of aging residents in this area.

In addition to that, many – particularly older migrant children, who have not had the benefit of coming from a country with beautiful beaches etc., need to have the facility to be able to learn to swim in a safe environment.

With climate change being a hot agenda item at present, I am sure that in the years to come (*with electricity prices also increasing – essential for air conditioners*) that the Ashfield pool will be attracting many folk from far and wide to use its facilities.

So in light of the items mentioned above (*and of course there are many more reasons in having a well-maintained pool in Ashfield*) I sincerely lend my support to Ashfield Council in this venture.

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