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To: IPART Mailbox

Subject: We support Ashfield Councils special rate variation

I am aware of Ashfield Council's submission to IPART regarding a proposal to increase the rates in the Council area. Ashfield Council's position has been one of good governance. It has a good reputation in regard to managing the funds it has been provided. However, there are times when funding for major pieces of infrastructure has not been available from rates or other sources. One piece of infrastructure that Council wishes to bring into the 21st Century is the Olympic Pool on Elizabeth Street at Croydon. The pool is in dire need of major maintenance and upgrading. Without the special rate increase, the pool will have to be refurbished (no small cost) at the expense of other works required in the Local Government Area. I strongly support Council's bid to IPART for the Special Rate Variation.

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