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Subject: Intended Rate rise for Shoalhaven City Council

To whom it may concern,

I understand that the Shoalhaven City Council is wishing to increase the Rates by 33% in this coming financial year. A large percentage of the population in this areas are pensioners and self funded pensioners. A rise of this magnitude will have a devastating impact upon many of them. To date no explanation as to why an increase of this magnitude id necessary and why, if it is necessary, can't it be implemented over two or more years.

I object to this intended increase because of its effect upon myself and many other people in this shire. I encourage you to reject this application and request the council to adopt a long term strategy and to make efforts to manage their financial affairs within the existing income. It could be increased by the rate of inflation but a 30% increase is outrageous.

Yours faithfully,

Mark Russell