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Subject: Submission regarding Port Stephens council proposed special rate rise

Hello

I would like to lodge a submission to state that I DO NOT support the Port Stephens council proposed rate increase.

I am an owner in the Port Stephens council area, inside a community strata estate and personally already feel that those owning in our estate are disadvantaged as we pay both council rates and community strata fees to maintain our own parks and facilities. The council provide no facilities to our area which haven't been built by developer funds.

The proposed rate rise is not fair nor affordable.

The council has not listened to the community responses and lack of support for the rate rise. While the community will always want better infrastructure and facilities, we do not want the cost of an increased and unfair rates system.

The council appear poor in its management of funds, provide salary increases to council and mounting legal fees instead of directing funds appropriately.

The council, like all households must live within their budget - no rate rise, families are under enough financial burden as it is.

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Regards

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Sent from my iPhone