

Sent: Monday, 16 March 2015 3:23 PM
To: IPART Mailbox
Subject: WE SUPPORT ASHFIELD COUNCIL'S SPECIAL RATE VARIATION

We understand Ashfield Council has consulted with the community about the Special Rate Variation, which we support for the following reasons.

Our community and schools use Ashfield pool. We would be disadvantaged if it closed.

Ashfield needs to upgrade, maintain and repair our local infrastructure, parks, playgrounds, canteens, roads, footpaths, stormwater, shopping centres and community facilities, at a faster rate.

Please approve the Special Rate Variation for a rate rise so infrastructure including Ashfield the crucial swimming pools can be provided and/or renewed. Ashfield's pools are used by my whole family, the children's schools, and our precious Ashfield Amateur Swimming Club. Currently, the Swimming Club can't use all the lanes as tiles are falling off the sides and ends of the pool and it's becoming unsafe to use the facility. There is very large demand for the outdoor and indoor pools.

Enfield pool in the adjoining municipality is very limited and not an alternative to rebuilding Ashfield's pools. Enfield closes during winter except for 1 indoor pool used mostly by swim schools and squads making little availability for me and my family to use during the whole of the cool season.

ASHFIELD POOL REALLY MUST BE REBUILT. APPROVE THE RATE VARIATION – PLEASE!

Dr Susan McGrath-Champ, 