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Subject: I SUPPORT ASHFIELD COUNCIL'S SPECIAL RATE VARIATION

Dear Sir/Madam.

I understand Ashfield Council has consulted with the community about the Special Rate Variation, which I support for the following reasons. I want Ashfield Council to concentrate on the local issues that face our neighbourhood and not have vital community facilities downgraded or sold for example for housing developments. In particular, I am concerned about Ashfield pool not being upgraded as this is a valuable community asset in a very high density municipality.

I believe it is critical that Council be in the best infrastructure position possible before any forced merger and the Council needs to focus not only on the revitalisation of Ashfield Pool, but on other areas such as:

- Keeping councils footpaths and roads in good condition
- Maintaining street landscaping
- Maintaining and upgrading open areas such as dog parks and childrens' playgrounds
- Upgrading and revitalising our shopping centres such as the Strand in Croydon
- Protecting our heritage integrity of our municipality.

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