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To: John Madden

Subject: North Sydney Council application

Dear Mr Madden

Objection re: North Sydney Council Special Rate Variation application 2019

When I read the information provided by North Sydney Council about their community consultation, I concluded that it was not genuine consultation. The way it was set out was clearly designed to get a response favouring Council's Option 3. I found their explanations unconvincing. I was reluctant to respond, but was persuaded to do so. I supported Scenario 1, no special increase. Council's website now interprets the result as indicating community support for a rate increase, even though a majority of responses were for no increase.

I cannot find in the information provided by Council any justification for a special rate increase.

Yours sincerely Donald Barnes Resident in North Sydney since 1963