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Submission: I cannot see how this council can have the audacity to increase our rates in view of the low income status of most of this region. job losses are mounting everyday. The amount we already pay increases every rates notice under availability guises. We in being a flood prone town have already streached whatever little monies we have on insurance to protect our homes. I for one am so stressed because there is no way I can afford to pay more and more just to keep a roof over my head I doubt there will be anything for me to hand on to my daughter cause im not going to be able to pay my living cost with this added burden. I have read what the council plans to spend this money on and I strongly disagree. please reject this application from council and return my peace of mind. ps, most of the elderly here don't have or know how to use a computer and most are ignorant of this impending rate rise please do the right thing and have a look at our cost of living