

Sent: Friday, 6 March 2015 2:07 PM

To: IPART Mailbox

Subject: WE SUPPORT ASHFIELD COUNCIL'S SPECIAL RATE VARIATION

I understand Ashfield Council has consulted with the community about the Special Rate Variation, which I support for the following reasons:

Ashfield needs a swimming pool so that the community can exercise and enjoy a beautiful space. I have lived in the Ashfield area for over forty years and used the pool in that same timespan. It is in disrepair but should be brought up to standard. The Fifty metre pool is frequented by learners and others doing laps or just for fun. Water polo is regularly going on in the deep water pool.

Aquarobics and more students are using the indoor pool. There is a huge amount of residential development increasing numbers of people and outdoor spaces need to be maintained like the pool. There shouldn't be outdoor spaces taken away from the community. I am happy to have a rate increase to accommodate the pool being repaired. The pool should not be left to go into further disrepair and become an excuse for developers to put another multi storey building up. Infrastructure is not currently matching the community need to walk in the open and enjoy the sun.

Please allow Ashfield Council to repair Ashfield pool. I am sure it could also have a gym that would add value to the communities needs to stretch and exercise.

Regards

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