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Submission: I have struggled to pay my rates, land water and garbage for at least the last 3 quarters. I am unable to get blood out of a stone consequently my income has remained the same or reduced from time to time. ALL my expenses have increased over the last 2 years. I am a very small business owner. Council fees and charges are impacting me greatly at the moment.

If as our Federal Government suggests small business is the backbone of Australia, why is CVC choosing to exact such huge penalties on us. the rate increase is not sustainable. CVC might be grinning but I am not.

Don't spend money unnecessarily, don't extend CVC's reach in low economic activity times.

I am shocked at the lack of attention from CVC to our community's main streets particularly Skinner Street. I am saddened and annoyed that the bus stops on both Spring and Through Streets provide NO cover from sun, rain and wind.....disgraceful.

CVC wants to spend 17 million dollars to create one store area for equipment.

Incidentally with all the supposed amazing management [and the huge expense to upgrade the accounting system ] from this Council, it is still NOT possible to pay Outdoor Dining Fees online.