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Submission: Being an 86 year old single pensioner, living alone, I am finding it increasingly hard to meet my quarterly rate payments, as well as insurances and maintenance costs and, if any further increases are made to my present rates, I will be forced to sell my home and go into care, which will be devastating for me. I have no family to go to, my home is my safe haven and holds all my memories. I am fully aware of the heavy demands on Council's limited funds but humbly ask that Council give sympathetic consideration to the needy elderly who wish to end their days in the serenity of their own homes.