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Hello and thank you for your time.

I am very upset with Shoalhaven City Council for wanting a 13% rate rise when Ipart have approved a 1.5% rise. I am a rate payer at Mollymook. If the council need such a large increase they must be mismanaging our money. Can we ask for independent auditors to go in and check the books and to also see where savings can be made? I think anything over 3% when you have approved 1.5% is too much.

Also I have been told the closing time for submissions is close of business 13th March, so our crafty councilors have scheduled a meeting with rate payers on that date in the evening after submissions close. Very deceitful behavior.

We are a large retirement area and pensions have only risen by .9% and some have been cut due to the new Centrelink rules. Some have lost their pension cards which means they no longer get a discount on their rates and medical. Self funded retirees are also lower on income due to interest rates being so low.

Thank you again Fred Salafia