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To: IPART Mailbox

Subject: Ashfield Council - request for special rate variation.

I write as a resident of Ashfield Municipality.

I support the request for a special rate variation; many footpaths need repair, often minor but still posing a hazard. Also the aquatic centre needs renovation as do some of the parks. It is obvious to me that the current level of rates is insufficient to support the maintenance requirements of the area, Ashfield council is not wasteful or inefficient and an additional levy is probably the only way that the additional money can be found

I have received a flyer (by an anonymous author) protesting against the proposed variation. In my view it is grossly misleading. It fails to mention that property needs maintaining if is to keep its value - something every property owner should know.

I hope that the request is granted.

L H E Clarke

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