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Dear iPart,

I am writing to complain about the survey conducted by Randwick Council regarding rate rises.

I do not believe the results of this survey can be taken as a serious indication of the attitudes of Randwick residents.

I participated in the online survey. The presumption was that there would be a rate rise and there was no option to decline any rate rise or provide other options/ideas. Surely this would be part of a fairer survey. Nor was there an option to select what the money would be spent on, another factor affecting the choice.

The timing was poor, over the main holiday period when many residents might be away.

If a choice of no rate rise had been offered, it would have at least satisfied those who did not want it whereas 3 options were too confusing with the assumption that only the proposed short or longer term rate rises were possible.

The Council has congratulated itself on a successful survey and proceeded to have it ratified. Each week in the local paper however people are complaining about the timing and nature of the survey.

Overall the survey seemed to present pre-determined options which is not appropriate for a real survey.

In my opinion it should be run again with correct and expanded options to ensure community acceptance.

Yours sincerely,

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