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To Whom It May Concern

REGARDING PROPOSED BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL RATE RISE

I am opposed to the rate increase proposed for Ballina Shire Council property owners.

I object for several reasons including

- lack of community consultation
- no apparent action to seek funds through cost cutting in other areas
- seeming to ignore a large number of written submissions and surveys against the increase, and the majority view
- the proposal disguises the real rate increase, which appears to be cumulative i.e. the annual rise will be a percentage of the original rate plus the the rise from the previous year so the amount will go up each year leading to a 22% rise, not 17% as claimed
- failure of Council to set budget for swimming pool maintenance and refurbishment

Yours faithfully

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