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To: [Local Government Mailbox](#)
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Dear IPART,

Council tells us it is striving to be Fit for the Future. I am not at all sure what that means.

Council also tells us that they are making economies on the running of the council. I really do not know this because we are not told much about it. Yes, we had a few 'meetings' about this issue of the rates, but the huge tables in color were very hard to read and almost impossible to understand. What we heard mostly was how good the council is and how terrible an administrator will be for us all. It looks like we just cannot afford to have such a 'good' council after all!

Not only they want us to pay more rates, but they will, we know put up the service charges up after that. So we worked hard and we saved hard to have a comfortable retirement. Now it seems, it is all going towards comfort for our council, and with us giving up much of our comfort, to keep it going.

I am on a disability pension. I have a modest house with no sea breezes. I used to do a little cleaning to have a bit more money but I had to give it up because of much pain in my side. The pension rarely goes up and I have to pay for every little bit that I need done.

I really cannot afford to have to pay more for the rates too. I guess I'd have to cut down on what I eat.

Yours

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