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Submission: In your guidelines you state "Councils must undertake community consultation . Council has done this via a survey to be completed online. The result of this survey was that 90% of respondents are against the rate increase . Council ignored this result and applied for the increase anyway . This makes community consultation a farce. Council should listen to the ratepayers. In recent times there have been numerous building blocks released. Hence rate receipts must have increased accordingly. In the shire there are many pensioners as it is a retirement area. My aged pension has been cut by 50% in recent times . Any large rate increase is going to cause hardship to pensioners. My rates have increased over 400% in 19 years. I urge you to reject this increase.