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Submission: With regard to rate increase--I support option 1 as council is not presently seen to be managing and spending ratepayers money wisely--give them more and they will waste more--eg higher wages for their management staff--not well managed. The Kingsford suburb is totally grubby and dirty--rubbish on streets--blocked drains--large tree branches falling off trees which is a safety hazard for children and residents--scared to walk grandchildren for fear of falling branches. Excessive car through traffick has been experienced for the past 10 years and getting worse. With the new westconnex being completed, an extra 62000 vehicles a day is being predicted to add to the current rat running and gridlock--this is government at its worst--creating more intolerable problems and solving none, at a huge cost to taxpayers--something has to be done. The proposed over development along Anzac parade with high rise cannot cope with anymore, as gridlock seems to be the norm--more people more misery--stop destroying our suburbs. Govt taxes are being wasted on pie in the sky projects without due planning and consultation--they just don't listen. Stop the rot.