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**From:** Jo Hourigan <Jo.Hourigan@avsnorthwest.com.au>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 30 May 2018 9:19 AM  
**To:** Records Officer  
**Subject:** ICR185879 - RV.10 - Rate Increase Objection / Differential Rates

Good morning,

My name is Jo Hourigan. I object to the proposed rate increase. My properties in this locality have been substantially devalued. The rate payer cannot continually be expected to carry the burden of increased running costs of the City. Rate payers are generally struggling and there is a high degree of mortgage default in this locality. This increase in costs will place further pressure on residents. It's time the COK stand up and shoulder the burden of costs rather than pass them on to the rate payer. The COK purchased "The Quarter" on the sales pitch this would decrease the cost of rates – why hasn't this happened?

I don't have the benefit of working my personal budget backwards, so why should the COK be able to adjust the rate in the dollar ad hoc to get the income they need for the year?

On another related issue. I received a letter from COK (ref OCR167226). The valuation is incompetent and should be questioned. There is no way a 4x2 with a swimming pool in Baynton West rents for \$480/week. Perhaps if you had more reliable values you wouldn't have to almost double the rate in the dollar making rate payers irate.

Regards,

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