INQUIRY INTO 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

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Singleton Council, no doubt like most other Councils in New South Wales, is appalled at the costs imposed on it at the last local government elections in September 2008.

This Council's costs for the last three elections have been as follows –

1999	$ 44,946.55
2004	$ 49,066.55, and
2008	$123,615.93

This extent of increase between 2004 and 2008 is unjustifiable and simply reduces resources which should be directed to community facilities and services.

Council trusts that "The Committee" will be open, fair and reasonable with this issue and give proper consideration and assistance to local government.

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