From: Sandra Zwiers

Good morning John and Suzanne,

Thank you for your email. I will pass along your feedback to members of County Council.

The County of Essex does not collect taxes for water, sewer, streetlight or sidewalk services. Those are the responsibility of the local municipality you live in. You may wish to forward your feedback to the Mayor and Treasurer of your local municipality so it can be considered as your local municipality sets and deliberates its tax rate.

The County's budget will be available to the public for review and comment on November 14<sup>th</sup>. Please refer to the County website (<a href="https://www.countyofessex.ca/en/index.aspx">https://www.countyofessex.ca/en/index.aspx</a>) on or after that date to view the full draft document. Printed copies are also available by attending our Administration Building at 360 Fairview Ave West in Essex.

Our Director of Financial Services / Treasurer, Melissa Ryan would be pleased to answer any questions you may have about the services we provide or the proposed cost to ratepayers to provide those services.

Thank you again for your feedback.

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Sandra Zwiers MAcc, CPA, CA

Chief Administrative Officer 519-776-6441 ext. 1350

From: Suzanne

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Hello. We are writing you to object to any tax increase!!. We pay approximately \$4300.00 in taxes already and we have no water, no sewers, no street lights, no sidewalks, no bike lanes. We love it here!. We actually don't care that we don't have these amenities but our taxes should reflect that!. We shouldn't have to pay the same as other neighbourhoods that have all of these amenities and more!. We are

retired seniors on fixed incomes. Our pensions do not go up. This is ridiculous. Please let all of your fellow council members know this. It is so not fair. Sincerely, John and Suzanne.