Submission No 98

THE TRANSPORT NEEDS OF SYDNEY'S NORTH-WEST SECTOR

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Re: The Poor State of Transport and Infrastructure in Sydney's Northwest.

This situation is appalling and the government's lack of commitment to the people of the Hills District is disgusting and one that you should be totally embarrassed about. We have a no win situation in that if you choose to drive, you are hit with tolls that amount to an exhorbitant cost; or alternatively, if you catch the bus you are left to struggle with an unsatisfactory and insufficient system and it costs more that the train fare.

My daughter travels from Kellyville to Crows Nest each day. She is fortunate to get a seat in the morning as she gets on at the start of the journey but in the afternoon she is often left standing on the Pacific Hwy at 6pm (in the dark during the winter months) as buses go straight past her because they are full. And when I say FULL, I mean that they are jammed packed down the full length of the bus aisle.

As a Hills resident, I feel that I have been let down for a long time now. We live in a beautiful area of Sydney and like living here but we seem to be a forgotten people when it comes to providing services.

Mind you, you seem to remember us when you want to add a new toll or increase revenue. We are struggling to pay our mortgage, petrol and bills just like everyone else.