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## THE TRANSPORT NEEDS OF SYDNEY'S NORTH-WEST SECTOR

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To whom it may concern,

I am a resident of Castle Hill Sydney, and I am writing this email to inform you of the disappointment of the Governments inability to provide equitable provision of transport to the suburban areas of Sydney.

After residing in this area for 10 years, the problem with lack of transport or unreliability has posed a problem, as a 17 year old, through primary and highschool i have first hand witnessed the unreliability of Westbus, and now present Hillsbus, although commuting via buses has now been gradually improved, the problem in commuting into the city or other areas of sydney have proven problematic.

With an increase in petrol prices, driving has emptied our pockets, and reliability of buses is not as helpful spending on daily expenses to and from the city. My mother often makes me drive her to the bustop at Baulkham Hills, significantly further than our closer bustop so that she can get a seat on the ever increasingly full buses used daily into the city. Apart from that, the bus trip durations are long, M2 is constantly piled up with cars and if an accident or breakdown occurs, the residents of the Hills and outerwest are inevitably the ones affected.

As a recent graduate from highschool, I plan to attend university in either the Macquarie district or central business district. As a student of 2008, I believe that after residing here for 10 years, that the transport system may have picked up their act, but to my dismay 10 years on, all that has been done is speculation of probable hopes that a train line will be built and the stress of daily commuting will be eased.

The residents of Castle Hill and surrounding areas have explicably been discriminated, paying much more than other suburbs. I am already wondering on how I will be able to commute to and from the city when in university perhaps im left to via unreliable and packed up trains or trains, although that leaves with the question, what trains?

to say it simply, listen to what we have to say, after all you are all elected to be in your position by the public, FOR the best interests of the public.

Regards, Jessica Saefudin -Castle Hill