Supplementary Submission No 33a

THE TRANSPORT NEEDS OF SYDNEY'S NORTH-WEST SECTOR

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Our choice for public transport in the Hills ranges from not that good to none at all.

We are 'serviced' by the M2 buses from Oakes Road bus station. I wouldn't use them on a regular basis because of the long queues and poor service. Even when using them for occasional trips to the city they are often late, often standing room only all the way and sometimes they just don't show up and when I ask questions of the company there is silence.

We need a bus serviced that is at least every 15 minutes so you don't have to hassle with a timetable and enough busses so anyone waiting during the peak periods can get on a bus within 15 minutes.

As well as busses, we need a rail line to bring us into line with all other areas of the Sydney metropolitan area so we have choices between two viable alternatives.

Why are those in the North West discriminated against with the most number of tolls and the most expensive and yet we have no cash back. It would be fairer to allow everyone to access a cashback system or charge for tolls within the registration/licence system.

It looks like we will have to stay with cars for the foreseeable future

Besides, why would a government want to provide appropriate public transport when they collect so much revenue from tolls, petrol, vehicle taxes, etc.