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

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Dear Sirs

As a resident of Baulkham Hills Shire whose only credible public transport service is the 610 (and associated routes) bus to the city I would like to register some observations to the committee.

This express service to the city is the nearest thing to a train type service that our area has got. It is an extremely popular service and whenever I catch it, even at weekends, is very crowded. Its speed to the city means that local residents can go to town and then catch other transport to other areas of Sydney as if it were a train service. If it were a slow service this would not be so useful.

In view of the utility of this service and its current overcrowding I would propose that it ought to become a service so frequent that passengers would not need to look up the timetable, including weekends. I imagine that this would be a frequency of at least one bus every 15 minutes. I believe that this would also lead to increased patronage.

There would be a major benefit to this approach. There is extreme pressure in the Hills for a train or Metro service to the city. I believe that provision of a really excellent bus service would take some of the immediate pressure off providing such a service.

This is not to say, however, that I do not agree with the need for rail, but just that a good bus service would make the wait for rail more bearable.

Regards

Ms Janet Morris