

**INQUIRY INTO SYDENHAM-BANKSTOWN LINE
CONVERSION**

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I am an university student and I object to the downgrading of the T3 Bankstown line.

I am concerned firstly, that the new Metro line will not be stopping at Redfern station for university students such as myself, to access the campus of Sydney University.

This is quite absurd and does not make sense, as hundreds of university students from the Canterbury Bankstown area will not have a direct route to access their place of study. If the Metro proceeds, students like myself, will have to find more complicated, alternative ways to attend university i.e. travelling to Central instead of Redfern and then having to find other means to travel back to the university. Such a complication is unwarranted as we have a very reliable and direct train route now, thus, there is no need to change it. It will just create chaos and havoc.

Secondly, I am concerned for my safety as the trains in the Metro system are driverless and do not have any guards on board. What would then happen in the case of an emergency or if an incident occurred on board? How would anyone feel safe on a train knowing that there is no guard to defend them and diffuse the situation if it should occur particularly late at night and in the long dark tunnels between stations?

I believe the above reasons highlight that existing train line for Sydenham to Bankstown should remain as it is and to change it would be senseless and unjustified.