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**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE WESTERN HARBOUR
TUNNEL AND BEACHES LINK**

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I'm a resident of Erith St Mosman and my children go to school go to Middle Harbour Public School. I understand that there is a proposal to remove the 243 Bus route from Mosman to City which is included somewhere in the Impact assessment of the Harbour Tunnel and Beaches link. I can't quite find where the proposal is but my general concerns are that the opportunity to comment on such a proposal is severely hindered by the fact that no one knows about it. I know for a fact that residents at the Manors (retirement home) and a significant amount of school parents, not to mention residents - rely on this bus service. Following the B-line service changes - bus stops were already removed along Military Road in both directions (without warning!). With this change - we would have no city buses within a reasonable walking distance. I'm concerned about the lack of transparency for this change. I'm concerned that people will get desperate and run across Military Road to reach that bus stop which on a map might appear close, but in reality - there is no safe place to cross the road near the "closest" bus stop. There's also a safety barrier blocking crossing and where there isn't, it would not be hard to be struck and killed crossing 6 lanes of traffic. It has happened several times before. I urge you to please re-consider shutting off this bus route - or at the very least, contact the Manors and School about the significant impact this will have on parents dropping their kids to school and then going to work.