

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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The 399 Bus that ran from Little Bay along Bay Pde Malabar was fought for by local residents some 25 years ago. It was for the elderly who could not walk to the top of Malabar Anzac Pde to catch a bus into the city.

The 399 bus has been removed recently and now to catch a bus to the city or outer city one has to walk to Prince Edward Street Malabar.

All up hill, there is no way to leave the bay of Malabar without walking up a hill and the old people struggle and rely on a lift from anyone.. The scenario its raining you have to use a bus to get to your appointment, you now have to walk up a hill in the rain, your old, your wet, and you wait for a bus that will take you to interchange at Kingsford Juniors to catch light rail to Central. You arrive soaked to your appointment apologetic for your wetness.

Why are the elderly being forgotten, 10 houses exist the front row of my block 8 people living in them are over 70 and 2 over 60. Its a disgrace to the elderly of Malabar that a bus will not come down the Bay that is 2 blocks down a hill by 3 blocks along a street and then back up a hill to the route that existed prior to this loss of bus service. Its a disgrace.

Return of the 399 Bay bus to and from Circular Quay is a must. Join me in a walk up a hill to catch a bus but you must be over 70 at the same fitness rate of myself and have had a heart attack.

Susan Moore