INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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I was pleased to see the 373 retained, at least to Hyde Park, but my grave concern is the abolition of the 400. I live near Cowper St Randwick and it enabled me to do 3 main things:

- 1. Get to Bondi Junction. I now have to walk up to Randwick shops to do this.
- 2. Get to Eastgardens where my daughter lives.
- 3. Meet my friends from the Sutherland Shire. They would get a train to Mascot, then the 400 to Maroubra Junction, and I would get the 400 from Cook St to Maroubra Junction so we could meet for lunch. Now we meet in the city near Town Hall I via the tram and they via the train. As well as driving us into the city, this has also taken business from the local restaurants we patronised at Maroubra Junction.

On occasion I also used to 400 to access the airport. Although I have not needed to do this lately, I am hopeful that I will again soon. The 400 was a vital link between key places in Eastern Sydney. It needs to be reinstated!