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INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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Problems with the changes to bus routes serving Coogee.

The 373 bus route should be reinstated. That so much money was spent and disruption caused to install the light rail, only to result in a MUCH worse service is an exercise in incompetence almost beyond belief. I live in Coogee and to get to Circular Quay for nights out at the Rocks or Opera House, or to connect to north side ferries, now requires double or more waiting time for two modes of transport. These are not well connected - stops were not co-located. The light rail is slower than the buses. What is it for? I often have meetings near Hyde Park and am now dumped by the 373 in the middle of nowhere - there is no connection AT ALL where the 373 terminates. Or you have to make your way back across town from the light rail after having made a poor connection.

This extremely bad piece of transport design mirrors another that badly serves the eastern suburbs - the cross-city tunnel, which does not allow for entry from the Anzac Parade Eastern Distributor entrance. Just bad, bad design.