INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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As part of the bus route changes in Eastern suburbs, the bus I took to work 393/X93 was discontinued. It used to take me 30-35 mins door to door and only 1 bus. Now takes an average of 20mins longer each way (40mins/day) and has changed to either 2 buses or bus/tram/walk.

Ie. Step 1: Bus 393/393X - 30-35mins door to door

393/393X was the ONLY bus that went from La perouse to Central and you removed it? It was a very popular bus, always full and used.

Secondly the replacement bus from City to Daceyville often ends at Rosebery - even though the timetable states it should go through to Daceyville. eg, the other day I had to get off at Roseberry and wait for next 5 buses until one came that went to Daceyville, even though the timetable stated the original bus I got on 5.27 and consequent buses should have gone to the end of the line.

Summary of my options now:

option 1 takes 50-55mins, increase of 20mins and unnecessary changes option 2 takes 50-55mins, increase of 20mins and unnecessary changes

Options I have are:

1. Replace with a). 394X (peak only) / 390X/394X/399 (off-peak) AND b). bus 343. points on this - time taken to get to work increase to 50-55mins

Step 1: 394X 10-15mins to get to tram stop.

Step 2: 5min walk to bus stop in Gardeners road

Step 3: 5min av. wait time

Step 4: 343 to get to Cleveland street, my stop - takes 30mins (not stated 21mins stated on App timetable)

2. Replace with a). 394X (peak only) / 390X/394X/399 (off-peak) AND b). L3 tram to central + walk.

points on this - - time taken to get to work increase to 50-55mins

Step 1: 394X 10-15mins to get to tram stop.

Step 2: tram L3 to central - 25 mins minimum (not 17mins stated on App timetable)

Step 3: walk to office 10mins

As above, it is unclear to me why you would remove the only bus route directly from La Perouse to Central. The Tram doesn't cover it and is a long walk to my office.