

INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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Little Bay is a growing community that gets larger each year. New apartment buildings getting consent, old houses being knocked down and duplexes replacing them. We need better public transport, not worse, yet worse is what we have been given this year with the removal of key routes. My bus to Haymarket has been axed and now I'm expected to bus to Kingsford and change to light rail - increasing my already ridiculously long travel time to get from Little Bay to the city. This is on top of dropping off kids at daycare and trying to make it to work in time. If anything goes wrong with the light rail, then I'm stuffed. Particularly on the way home when I'm racing to get to daycare on time before they close and start charging me for each minute I'm late. Talk about increased cost of living, which this Government supposedly says they care about - and what about the affect on my mental health with the added stress and anxiety!? I've decided public transport is no longer a viable option for the commute, and not is active transport for that distance. So I'll be contributing to roads congestion and driving to the city now during rush hour. Little Bay needs its bus routes restored not cut.