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## INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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NSW Transport are saying there are more services during peak times as their selling point for these changes and while that is true in my area of Coogee, after 9:24am there is not a single bus from Coogee Beach into the CBD until the following morning. For the return journey between the CBD and Coogee beach, the first service of the day is 3:08pm! Not a single bus before that! That is NOT PROGRESS!

For those working closer to Circular Quay and travelling out of peak times (with flexible working, this is now common) they have added a 22 minute walk to Museum station to their journey, so the full trip takes an hour – I occasionally power walk home from the city and I can do it at a similar time that that. If taking public transport is taking the same amount of time as walking to your destination – that is a failure, certainly NOT PROGRESS! Similarly, if catching a train from the city to Penrith, over a 50km journey takes the same amount of time as the 7km journey from Coogee to Circular Quay - the public transport in the Eastern Suburbs has failed!

If we are serious about reviving the CBD after COVID lockdowns have left the area deserted - shouldn't we be making it easier to get to the city, not damn near impossible.