

INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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The changes in our bus routes and stops in our area have made things confusing and far more difficult to get around. Our buses were near perfect before the changes. It is obvious that the changes have been solely to force people onto the light rail. The light rail goes nowhere near anywhere I need to go to. Many people have complained that they have to change transport modes to complete their journeys. I went to Kingsford last week from Maroubra to attend an Optometrist appointment. I was furious to find that the bus stops at Kingsford have been removed. I ended up near the University and had to hike back to Kingsford. On the return journey I found that the Kingsford bus stop was removed. I had to walk to the light rail stop at South Juniors after navigating Anzac Parade. I felt very sad seeing the once vibrant and busy suburb of Kingsford like a ghost town all due to the installation of the light rail white elephant. Shops closed etc. I am now very worried about privatisation as things will only get worse.