INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES

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I highly oppose the changes to the eastern suburbs bus routes.

Not only does the reduction in busses put extra strain on our already congested roads, but it significantly discriminates against those who either choose or can't drive vehicles. Our elderly community, our children and those with no drivers licenses will be significantly effected.

Second to this, the clear agenda to have majority of buses stop at the beginning of the light rail demonstrates the governments clear and obvious agenda.

Not only is the light rail inadequate - due to its speed / length of time it takes to get into the city, it once again marginalises the poorer people in the community.

Previously one bus fair would take 20 minutes and cost a few dollars. We are now expected to make the same route in double the time, and double the cost.

Simply put - it is a disgrace that the government feels it can make a quick buck over those in our community that have no other choice than to use government transport.

It's a lose lose for citizens and it's a disgrace.