

**Submission  
No 412**

## **INQUIRY INTO PRIVATISATION OF BUS SERVICES**

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Dear Committee,

The bus changes have really impacted my early morning trip to the city.

Thankfully I have been able to work from home so I don't have to deal with it.

Soon I will have to start going back to the office and I am once again starting to get upset with the changes that will impact me and every other commuter south of Maroubra outside of peak hour .

To reduce my stress I have worked out the only optimal solution for my early morning commute is to DRIVE MY CAR. I have now tested this and am happy to say it worked ok and in the days I am required to go early I will not be using public transport. Fortunately I have access to my car unlike many others in our area.

I have been commuting to the city daily for nearly 30 years , for work, and have never seen such changes that actually make commuting worse than before.

### **Early bus issue**

Where are all of the light rail lovers that said being forced onto the light rail to get to the city would not cost more and be quicker? For my early morning start I used to be able to get 1 bus (at 630am) and be in the office by 710am. Now I am forced to get the light rail and it WILL take longer (in the office at 725am) and cost more (\$5.58 v \$4.78). And of course that is assuming it is not raining because if it is the light rail probably won't go all the way to Bridge St. So it seems the best way to go is 390x (at 625am) and then 397x because for some reason the 394x does not start as early as the 397x, 396x or 392x. Oh and by the way using these 2 buses is only \$3.40. We really have missed out south of Maroubra .

I encourage NSW TRANSPORT to start the 394x earlier say at 6am.

I also encourage NSW transport to start the 394x trip earlier than Martin Place. When everyone is back working in the city this first bus stop in Martin Place on Castlereagh st will be so packed it will become a dangerous safety issue.

I am happy to discuss any of these issues.



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- Leaving **Mon** 14 Mar

9min ▶ **B** 397X ▶ 9min

**06:12 - 07:05** 53min

Opal \$3.40
- Leaving **Mon** 14 Mar

1min ▶ **B** 390X ▶ 397X ▶ 9min

**06:25 - 07:05** 40min

Opal \$3.40
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1min ▶ **B** 390X ▶ **L** L3

**06:32 - 07:17** 45min

Opal \$5.58
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9min ▶ **B** 397X ▶ 9min

**06:32 - 07:26** 54min

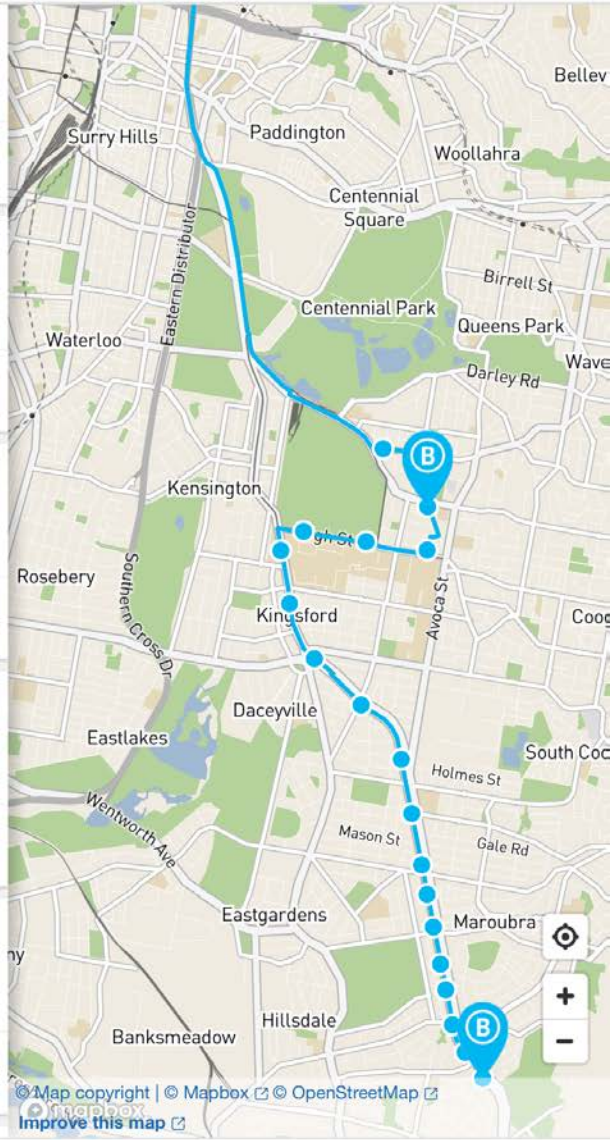
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1min ▶ **B** 390X ▶ 392X ▶ 9min

**06:46 - 07:26** 40min

Opal \$4.87

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