INQUIRY INTO CURRENT AND FUTURE PUBLIC TRANSPORT NEEDS IN WESTERN SYDNEY

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It is a complete waste of tax payers monies replacing an existing train line which has serviced many communities for many decades. The new metro service or a new train line should be build in areas where there is no train line currently. The Bankstown line should have an upgrade to be the train up to current standards. The train stations between Bankstown and Lidcombe needs to be serviced by trains. Many commuters travel between there local areas, as well as to the city. There needs to be a direct train service from Regents Park, Birrong, Yagoona and Berala to the city. The turnback at Lidcombe has been a waste of tax payers monies and has only added to the bottleneck within the system, caused more commuters having to change services at Lidcombe and adding to travel times. The travel times from Regents Park, Birrong, Yagoona and Berala to the city has increased nearly 20 minutes in the last decade with a more modern network and trains, compared to the older slower networks - how is that possible!!! Many commuters in these areas are disable or have other mobility issues which make using other means of transport hard or impossible, and trains are their only option due to the accessibility to the stations and trains.