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Public Transport Options

Public Transport is one of the programmes in the Transport and Urban Development portfolio. For the first year of the Long-Term Plan 2018-28 we are proposing changes to the Public Transport programme as outlined in the **Consultation Document**.(on page 14)

To make comment on the Public Transport proposed changes please complete the selection panel below.

To make comment on the the whole Transport and Urban Development portfolio, please use the tab on the left.

Please review the options in the Consultation Document and indicate which option you support: Option 4 – none of the above. (Please provide comment/ideas for an alternative solution)

Public Transport Comments

Please provide any comments.

I do not like any of your proposal. You seem to forget that you are supposed to provide PUBLIC TRANSPORT for the public to get from "A" to "B". I catch a bus - two buses every morning to get to work and two buses to get home from work. If you go ahead with this proposal I will have a 25 minute walk either way to catch a bus to work, this is going to be really horrible in winter when it is pitch dark when I leave in the morning and icy cold or wet. Please reconsider.

I catch the 145 bus in the morning to get to work and weekends when going grocery shopping, or to visit my son who lives in Linwood, I can get off at Eastgate and then have a 10 minute walk to get to his place.

Before the earthquakes when this bus route used to go to town, the bus was full every afternoon coming home, I know once the earthquakes happened that people had to find alternative ways to get to and from work and unfortunately once you changed the bus routes so that the bus no longer went to town, people didn't come back to catching the bus.

Surely a public transport system should not be focusing on making a profit, if you don't want to provide a proper service for people then why don't you hand the public transport system back to Christchurch City Council. If you also put prices up I don't see how this is going to make more people catch buses, it will drive those that have cars back to driving to and from their jobs. Unfortunately I don't have that option as I just rely on public transport to get me everywhere I need to go.

Do people not matter anymore? I'm sorry I don't have any ideas, though perhaps if you thought about making some of the services you are cutting to changing their routes to go back to the city then that may help.

I work in the BNZ Centre in town (we were in Addington after the earthquakes) and we have been back in town about a year now. I remember people from Ecan coming to see us and encouraging those that drove cars to work to consider catching a bus, a lot of our staff did change from driving to catching buses, but I am unsure how many of those people will go back to driving their cars to town if you stop some bus services. I think it is a real shame when people don't matter, if it wasn't for the public, there would be no need for public transport.

Also what about the bus drivers? Are some of them going to lose their jobs because you are going to cut bus routes? Or are you going to make them work longer hours than they already do?

I realise there is no easy answer but please consider what you are doing. People are supposed to matter.

I used to boast to friends and family that Christchurch had the best bus service in the country. I can no longer boast about that because to be honest the bus service has gone downhill since the earthquakes - and what you are proposing is going to make it even worse.