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The Proposed Discontinuation Of The 108 Bus Route

If the 108 bus service is discontinued the elderly and infirm people in the Casebrook area will be no longer be able shop in Papanui, Northwood or the CBD.

The walk down to Bishopdale Mall is too far for some.

For the younger people who work in Northlands Mall and do not own a car, the walk is long, and dangerous at peak times and on dark winter nights.

Peronally, although we own a car, I no longer drive, and my husband suffers from Parkinson's disease and is not confident driving in busy traffic conditions. (As he deteriorates he will have to surrender his license). Therefore, if we need to visit Papanui or the CBD, we take the bus.

Since the last change of bus routes, when the 108 no longer travelled to and through the city, we have not been able to shop regularly in the CBD due to the need to change buses at Northlands; often waiting up to 15 minutes for a connection.

Possible Solution?

- Reinstate the previous service i.e from Northwood through to the CBD and beyond and
- Make the above an hourly rather than a half hourly service.
- Remove the 'free return' within two(2) hours service for holders of a metro card.
- Charge half-fare for users of the Gold Card, rather than a free ride.