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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.

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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 live in Corsair Bay and cycle to work via Lyttelton tunnel. Currently I primarily use the 535 bus, with the 28 on occasion. I work in Ferrymead.

Removing the 535 entirely removes my primary mode of transport. Plus the two bike racks are often busy - more so on the 28. It is imperative that the overall number of bike racks passing through the tunnel is maintained or increased. This could be achieved by changing to 3-bike racks. And/or adding an extra 28 service during the 7 - 9am and 4.30 - 6.30pm peak times.

Also the option of taking an extra bike or two ON BOARD the bus could be considered (just through the tunnel).

Note that cyclists are forced to pay for and use the bus through the tunnel, but are treated as 'difficult' customers even though they are paying the full amount and only using the tunnel leg of the journey.

There may be an option to view cyclists-through-the-tunnel as a special case, and provide a bike trailer (more cycle volume), a tunnel discount (to encourage more cycling), or at least bikes onboard the bus.

In terms of future transport, the rise in use of electric bikes will put extra pressure on the tunnel. Some e-bikes will be able to drive with the traffic and will expect to cycle through the tunnel. Within a few years there will be several hundred e-bikes waiting at the tunnel each morning! How will they pass smoothly onto the new heathcote cycleway?