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please see the big picture. please do not drop any current routes. This is not just about \$\$, this is about encouraging people on to buses and reducing single passenger car use. Have the courage to try for one year making bus travel FREE and see what happens. Other places do it! I am fortunate in having a gold card and it hugely influences my travel decisions - I have a car but frequently choose not to use it. I have recently learned to use the bike carriers on the buses and think they are a marvellous facility. Concentrate on what works for the community. Imagine yourself as a pensioner in New Brighton needing to go to Burwood on the 135. I can't emphasise enough how this MUST NOT be all about dollars and profitability, community counts too. Some wag has suggested sacking Ecan to release funds to maintain bus services - not silly. And one more thing - please do more to look after our environment and not pander to big business and dairy farming. We are going under - glug glug - and there will be no one left to say "I told you so"

cheers, Hilary Wilso