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Dear sir/madam

I am writing to voice my opinion on the discontinuation of bus services the one that affects me is the 145 , I am in my 70s and have never driven a car so depend solely on the bus to go anywhere , i do not have a total mobility card and a taxi from my house to Eastgate mall costs about \$9-80 so any time I go out I would have to factor in the return cost of a taxi and an extra \$20 three or four times a fortnight becomes very expensive .

I know there are other people in my area who are in the same predicament and I feel a lot would end up only ever leaving their home to go grocery shopping due to the cost of transport and that could impact severely on both physical and mental health .

This will also affect children in the area who bus to school this is the closest bus service for pupils of Bromley primary school and forcing children to walk to and cross Linwood ave could have drastic outcomes , there are a lot of children who catch this bus going to and from cashmere high school as well .

I have noticed in all three options provided there is not one that will retain the service , as a ratepayer and bus user I feel strongly that an option including keeping all six routes should be available surely with an increase in fares and rates the timetables could be modified so the buses would run less frequent the 145 runs every half hour during the hours of 9-3 these could be reduced to every hour and if that happened on all six routes there should be enough savings on costs to keep the services .

As it appears in the options I am going to have an increase in my rates to subsidise other bus routes , I feel a bit extra on top of that and retain the six that are on the chopping block would be preferable

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