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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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Public Transport Comments

Please provide any comments.

Firstly, it is important to keep the 145 Bus Service while no other alternatives are available.

The 145 Bus Route allows children in the eastern parts of St Martins and Hillsborough to access Cashmere High School.

As many children from St Martins continue their schooling at Cashmere High School the discontinuation of this service will have a future impact on current students of St Martins School.

Secondly, given the current and future emergence ride sharing services (eg Uber) and autonomous vehicles , the Council should consider simply subsidising "ride sharing" instead of providing and operating bus services. This will provide a better service to travellers and potentially save money as

well: buses are frequently near empty, they depart / arrive from bus stops instead of outside people's addresses and they are at inconvenient timetable-based schedules rather than on-demand.

ECan should carry out a number of pilots in areas where bus services are not present / where they are removed / in areas covered by bus services to see if replacing / complementing buses with subsidised ride sharing services actually improves convenience and reduces car ownership / use.