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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.

To make comment on the the whole Transport and Urban Development portfolio, please use the tab on the left.

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 strongly oppose discontinuing both the 107 and 108 bus routes. This would leave a large part of the north west with **no public transport options at all**. Considering there are a large number of school children and older people that completely rely on these buses it seems incredible that both buses are to be discontinued.

Plus two new subdivisions are being built on Cavendish Road and Gardiners Roads leaving even more people with no public transport. Do you really want more cars on the road when your vision is about sustainability in our region.

In addition as many parts of this area are on the city fringe with roads that are either 80 km zones and no footpaths. or both, the alternatives for school children in particular to use alternate methods to get to and from school are limited and have safety issues associated.

Why can't the routes be combined, smaller buses be used or even the timetable adjusted (for example stopping weekend use and running the buses hourly) to make them buses more economical rather than both discontinued? Bus patronage would also be increased if services were run directly into the central city rather than requiring users to change buses at Northlands and take two buses for their trip. This is a significant deterrent to bus usage for many in the suburbs compared to the past model of bus routes that all led directly to the central city.