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BUS SERVICE 35 RAPAKI/EASTGATE

This submission is on behalf of the community of St Joseph the Worker Church, Lyttelton, asking that you consider retaining the 535 bus service that travels between Rapaki and Eastgate.

Since the earthquakes of 2010 and 2011 and the consequent loss of our Church, we have been incorporated into the larger Parish of Stella Maris, Ferrymead. We celebrate Mass only once a month in Lyttelton and for the remaining Sundays of the month we travel to St Anne's Church on Ferry Road. A number of our parishioners rely on the 535 bus to get to and from St Anne's. If this route were to be removed they would find it impossible to get to Mass as the #28 goes in a completely different direction.

We have not had a bank in Lyttelton for a number of years and our nearest banking facilities are in Ferrymead. Additionally, using the 535 means we are able to go to the larger supermarket in Ferrymead.

One suggestion to increase bus patronage is to extend the bus route to Governors Bay. At present the bus stops for 15 minutes before returning to town via Lyttelton. If the route was extended to

Governors Bay, locals from there would be able to use the Ferrymead facilities and be able to get to the Lyttelton Farmers' market on a Saturday. The timetable would not need to be altered as the route would take only 5 minutes to Governors Bay, 5 minutes wait, and then the return journey.

I trust that you will consider this submission as this bus service is an important means of travel for our elderly residents who no longer drive.