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## Please provide any comments.

We have two specific comments to make.

Whilst we appreciate Council is proposing to discontinue the 107, 108, 135, 145, 150 and 535 due to financial hardship we do think it may be premature to make these cancellations given the impending network review as part of the Regional Public Transport Plan review later this year. We recommend Council looks to alternative funding sources such as the NZ Transport Agency to keep the services going in the interim until they can be reviewed as a whole.

We also believe that now might be the time to consider how alternative transport options, such as on-demand shared ride services, might deliver a transport solution that is both affordable and convenient, especially to areas of low housing density. Fixed route, timetabled services will always have a place, but on-demand shared ride services can fill the gap between fixed services and taxis. They may even assist with bringing Total Mobility costs down too. We recommend the LTP ensure there is a funding category for transport to allow for on-demand shared ride services.