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Transport and Urban Development Support/Oppose

See page 13 of the Consultation Document.

Please select one of the following: I generally disagree with the activity proposed for Transport and Urban Development.

Transport and Urban Development Comments

Please provide any comments

I find it telling that the "choices" for your targeted bus routes all lead to closure of the routes. This doesn't suggest that ECan is open to much consultation.

So I'm going to suggest a fourth option with regard to the 535 route - make it more useful to more people. Extend the route to Governors Bay, increasing its catchment considerably, and adjust the route slightly to go via The Tannery, adding a useful destination.

Many elderly customers already rely on the route for their shopping. Having to change busses would make things impossible for them.

With regard to your planned actions for all of the affected routes, it should be obvious that you don't increase your bus use by making busses harder and more unpleasant to use. All of the changes in recent years are only making bus usage less and less of a viable option, with your customers forced to make more transfers at unsheltered stops in all weathers. You need look no further than this for the reason behind the decline in Christchurch bus use.

ECan needs to make an adjustment in its thinking about the bus service, paying particular attention to the "service" side of things.