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Submission: • There is a successful on-demand bus service running in Wollongbar and Alstonville. I would like to see a trial in the Ballina/ West Ballina area of a similar service. Sections of Ballina, Wardell, Cabbage Tree are welfare dependent and it would be great to facilitate more convenient access to services and retail.

• Ballina Shire has an ageing population. Many older people migrate to Ballina to retire. Council and TfNSW encourages older drivers to plan for retirement from driving. An increased number and frequency of short trip services would encourage better retirement from driving.

• Ballina has high reliance on private cars and a significant number of people who travel in and out of the Shire for work each day.

• Many public transport users indicate that bus timetables (on websites/ paper and at stops) are difficult to interpret and are very small print. Better communication of timetables would encourage more public transport use.

• There is significant demand in the Shire to be able to use public transport to connect to shared paths and cycleways. However, there is currently no service here that can accommodate transport of bikes.

• It would be great to see more services dedicated to tourist attractions (with additional and more frequent services).