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IPART Submission

Dear Sir or Madam

At our regular fortnightly meeting held on the 28th January 2016 great deal of anger and fear was expressed by members worried about the IPART recommendation to increase Opal Pensioner fares from \$2.50 to \$3.60 including the suggestion that these fares be regularly increased in line with other fares. They were also worried about the possibility of the fare being increased during peak time or the removal of the pensioner fare for travel during peak times.

Apart from the general concern of all members about the effect of this rise on their cost of living a number of our members are grandparents or great grandparents who baby sit children while their children or grandchildren work. The increased cost of travel would be a particular burden to them even more so if peak time travel is removed from the concession fare.

Many members also raised the issue of the intrusive nature of the information stored by the Opal card in their account including bank details and travel history. Why is information about their travel arrangements saved after the fare has been paid?

Yours faithfully


Bruce Lloyd

Honorary Secretary