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This is a disgraceful move which indicates how little we can trust the government.

When Opal was being pushed nothing was said about how the system facilitated price hikes. Yet I now think this was a major reason for bringing in this automation.

I find it hard to believe that maintaining the current pensioner/senior price would harm the government. I do listen to the media and remember the government gleefully reporting that it was making a lot of money because people were putting so much in their Opal accounts. A few weeks later the government announced it was extending the senior day pass to asylum seekers. All this indicates that the government is not cash strapped. Elderly people are already ill served by public transport . A few examples are 1 the rough ride. 2 forced mechanisation by mandating pre-purchase etc. 3 Advertising film on windows reducing visibility especially at night or when in is raining.

Now the government has the hide to want us to pay more for this shabby, dehumanising treatment.

There should be absolutely no increase in the cost of the senior/pensioner day pass.

Yours sincerely

