

Author name: Anonymous

Date of submission: Thursday, 4 February 2016

Submission: I would like to put in my objection to the fares increase for gold card full pensioner holders.

1. These increases will put a strain on finances of full pensioners and will more than likely stop them from using public transport for anything more than urgent use.

2. These fare increases will be more than the annual increase in pensions and will negate any increases in the aged pension.

3. Travel should be affordable and plays a vital role in improving the lives of older people

4. This is the only pleasure that older pensioners can afford and some who are no longer able to maintain a motor vehicle, or who have had their licences taken away for aged reasons, and this then becomes their ONLY FORM of transport -- the public system.

5. Some older people need to travel daily for treatment, doctors appointments etc so the maximum amount per week would log up very quickly

6. Even though these fares may NOT have risen for some years traveling by PUBLIC TRANSPORT is the only pleasure or necessity that the older generation has left