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Submission: I am appalled at this proposal.

I can not for the life of me understand how on one hand you talk about improving our rail system and on the other increasing the price so it becomes redundant.

My parents are senior citizens and too proud to consider going on the aged pension. The \$2.50 cap on ticket price means that my 73 year old father can continue do the occasional consulting work he does that keeps food on their table and the bills paid and my mum can get to doctors appointments for her Parkinson's disease.

My partner and I have 2 boys aged 5&7 , my partner takes the train to work in the city from Lakemba and home every day, we find the cost to our weekly budget sometimes tough.

I work on the weekends so I can be available during the week for the kids and volunteering work I do, Sunday is vital to our family as it means my partner can take the kids for an adventure at an affordable price, hence giving me the time I need to work..

Work that enables my weekly volunteering.

All of your proposed and actual price rises puts my ability to continue my volunteer work in jeopardy, if my parents loose their \$2.50 tickets I will be the one driving my mum to her appointments, I predict that the price hike for my father to travel Lakemba to Penrith would be too much and make it pointless for him to continue that consultancy hence moving them onto the pension.

My family would not be able to afford travel on Sunday, not only would this impact on my ability to achieve my work on the weekend and force me to cut volunteering hours to accomplish it during the week but it would also mean that the businesses across Sydney that are visited by my family on Sunday's would loose that business.

It is cheaper for my families to drive into the city on a weekday and park than currently take public transport .... This is a huge problem and you are considering removing the only options where it isn't.

Please factor in the costs of making these changes, the costs to families, businesses , the environment, and the government

Regards Lisa Trewin