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Submission: As a concern citizen and parent and one day perhaps a grandparent, I believe we are losing too many of our services. The government put certain things in place years ago to make TAFE difficult for people and then closed down a bunch of colleges with the complaint that people weren't using it. If only they published the correct dates and didn't charge so much for courses, people would have enrolled.

Now I fear the same for our public transport system. Not only does it need to get better, but it needs to be more affordable. Otherwise, people will go back to private cars.

If you don't want people to drink and drive, then give us decent public transport.

If you don't want the planet to be overly polluted then give us environmentally friendly public transport.

More people would use public transport if it were easily accessible, frequent (especially through the night) and of course affordable.

The prices need to come DOWN. Not go UP!!!

Otherwise, people will continue using their cars.

Also, more buses and trains throughout the night. Not everyone goes to bed at 11pm. Many of us go to the opera or the theatre and getting home late at night is too much of a challenge after midnight.

If you would like more advice as to what people want, please contact me. I could tell you so much more.

Kind regards,
Rosemary Small.