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Submission: If these recommendations are implemented my weekly commute (5x return trips from Penshurst Station to Central Station) will increase from \$33.60 to \$41.60, that's +24%

I appreciate the current rules whereby I get a free commute on Fridays to thank me for my patronage on the other 4 days of the week. It uses a similar logic to the old weekly paper ticket - which was 4x the daily return fare.

If some commuters are gaming the system by taking short/cheap trips early in the week so that their commuter trips are free later on, then the solution to this would be to implement the proposal to only reimburse the cheapest fares, in excess of 8 trips. So they would still be charged for their 8 real commuter trips. The attraction of gaming the system by taking extra short trips would be removed.

But I feel that the other proposal, to increase the free threshold from 8 to 10 trips, greatly disadvantages commuters, such as myself, who have a fairly usual commute of 5x return train trips each week.

regards,

Steven