

**Monday 03 November 2008**

**Subject: Proposed Rail Fare increase**

**To Whom It May Concern**

**I am writing to object to the submission by City Rail for an increase in fares of up to 18%.**

**I live in St Leonards and travel to Wynyard Monday – Friday for work. I believe the current cost of my weekly ticket of \$25 is more than enough to pay for a rail network that consistently runs late, provides minimal communication to commuters and frequently delivers dirty, non air-conditioned carriages.**

**I also disagree with the IPART data which ‘shows’ that the “average commuter household has a yearly income of \$97,917” (as reported in MX). My yearly income is well below this amount and I do not believe that this number is an accurate calculation.**

**I strongly oppose a fair increase unless City Rail can measurably improve all aspects of its “service” and deliver a first class rail network.**

**Kind regards**