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Subject: CityRail fares for 2009

If I were earning \$98,000.00 I certainly would not take the train to work and I would actually be paying a mortgage as well. How is it that it can be assumed that this is a standard wage and that on top of the current financial strain that the once economical form of transport has become an expensive alternative where most are forced to pay. If everyone were able to they would work locally and surely would put a hole in the standard of the rail service. As for me I will have to consider other options if I am to continue to have any kind of life style at all on less than half of what you estimate as average income.

I see everyday how much the rail service must accumulate in revenue and yet receive a below standard service. I am with Mr Rees and put the funds were it best serves the community and that is at grassroots level, if that ever happens. Beurocrats need to do a lot more than find ways to secure their own behinds on the backs of the working people.

Yes I am angry that a very mismanaged service, that is now without funds, is looking to the people to recoup revenue. Whose head will roll for this one? Not the one who thought up the lame plan or covered up the truth but the scapegoat who will be used to be a face for the lack of wisdom management team who continue to line their own pockets and they call themselves Australian.

It would be nice if my voice and many other were heard but it is just ink on paper or in this case, letters on a screen, because the only person who will see this is the underpaid clerk who has to read these and then delete them so they cannot be viewed by anyone else. What a shocker this country has become, to allow so much manipulation of the system we call government departments. You may be independent but someone is still pulling the strings and lining there own pocket with more than they need to live on. People have forgotten what is most valuable in life, the one thing they do take with them when they die.

Where are the days of people having their say and being heard.....?

When will we get what we pay for?????

Lost for words