

Subject: Bus Fare increase unjustified

Dear Sir/Madam,

I live in Naremburn and take the buses to and from work from Willoughby Road in Naremburn to the City. I also take buses from Chatswood in the evenings. This means I take Bus Route 273.

I know for a fact they are very irregular in the morning especially between 8:45am to 10am. I purposely chose to travel at this time to avoid peak hour traffic and the bottleneck coming off the Harbour Bridge into York Street. Many times I waited 30 minutes and therefore get to work much later than expected. This means I have to work late to make up the time.

I have encountered buses not showing up from Chatswood include the 9:10pm at Chatswood Chase.

Therefore, I do not see any justification to increase bus fare as we are already 'paid' with our time waiting for unreliable bus services.

On top of that, the increase patronage due to more people taking the bus has caused discomfort in travelling in 'cramped' buses. This is usually caused by some buses not showing up or very late.

Until we have more reliable services, then fare increase will be justified.

Yours sincerely,

NM Lee