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## Draft Regional Public Transport Plan 2025-2035 Feedback form

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Do you wish to speak to your submission at a public hearing?

No

### Topic 1: Are we focusing on the right things in the plan?

Tell us more:

I [REDACTED] see 40 ft buses on the ridge runner run that have people traveling on them at peak time only. You are running these buses on roads that are too narrow and very dangerous to cars. Apart from peak time we count how many people on the buses and all the time it's either 1 or 2 or no passengers at all. They are running all day for nothing. For 2 buses to pass if they don't pass on our corner you have buses 1 or the other running on the foot path. Unacceptable when people are walking on it.

### Topic 2: Should we support community transport services in smaller towns and rural areas?

**Our proposal:** we are considering the establishment of a subsidised community transport programme providing support for transport services in Otago's smaller towns and rural areas.

**What do you think about this proposal?**

Do you agree with ORC having a role in supporting community transport services?

Yes

### Topic 3: Should we increase our passenger fares?

**Our proposal:** we are considering increasing the base fare for adult Bee Card passengers from \$2 to

\$2.50. This would effectively increase bus fares for all passengers using Bee Cards by 25%.

**What do you think about this proposal?**

**Should Council increase the adult Bee Card fare?**

No

**Tell us more:**

If you up fares you will end up with less people on the buses.

## Topic 4: Should we charge more for longer trips?

**Our proposal:** we are considering introducing a zone fare system to our bus networks in Dunedin and Queenstown. Under this system, passengers travelling further distances across multiple zones will pay a higher fare than those travelling short distances within one zone.

**What do you think about this proposal?**

**Should Council charge more for longer trips?**

Yes

**Tell us more:**

That's going back to what it was before it was thrown out.

If a person goes from one end of town to the other they should be paying per zone.

## Topic 5: Should we keep our free fares for children (5-12 years)?

**Our proposal:**

- A. Retain free fares (100% discount) for children (5-12 years), **AND**
- B. Standardise our concession discount for youth (13-18 years) to 40% across both the Dunedin and Queenstown networks. For example, if the adult fare is \$2, youth pay \$1.20, or if the adult fare is \$2.50, youth pay \$1.50.

**What do you think about this proposal?**

**Should Council retain free fares (100% discount) for children (5-12 years)?**

Yes

**Should Council standardise our concession discount for youth (13-18 years) to 40% across both the Dunedin and Queenstown networks?**

Yes

**Any other comments?**

**Let us know if you have any other comments or ideas on the topics discussed in the Draft**

### **Regional Public Transport Plan.**

Use smaller buses especially on routes that are not viable. And cut buses that are not being used. I'm sur if they need a bus they can catch a bus down the hills and get one one the flat that goes to anywhere in Dunedin. If the fat rate is \$2 per trip you are running the ridge runners for nothing and can't be cutting eve Paying for fuel or electricity plus wages must be killing our rates and not even braking even.i don't use buses as I'm disabled and can't walk far.