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Dear Mr Duncan *Tom*

Thank you for your letter 13 February 2019 regarding petition No 4-19 lodged by Ms Elizabeth Lee MLA about school bus services from Fairbairn.

The new public transport network has been designed based on data from the MyWay ticketing system and other sources that shows how Canberrans (including school students) use public transport, as well as consultation with the public, schools and parents.

Based on this analysis, the Government has prioritised school bus services for areas or schools where a large number of students are travelling and where the existing network is unable to effectively meet this demand. The new network does not include a school bus service for Fairbairn Park because, on average, about 1.2 students boarded a bus and 2.4 students alighted from a bus at Fairbairn Park each school day during 2018.

The ACT Government is committed to continuing to invest in our public transport network. We are monitoring how the new network is used and will continue to work to ensure it best serves our community going forward. Your feedback will be shared with the scheduling and planning area within Transport Canberra and City Services for consideration as part of the development of any future changes to services and timetables.

Thank you for raising this matter with me. I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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