



CUMBERLAND  
CITY COUNCIL

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The Hon Andrew Constance MP  
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Dear Minister

## **TRIAL OF EXPRESS TRAIN SERVICES AT GRANVILLE, AUBURN AND LIDCOMBE STATIONS**

I am writing to seek your support for a trial of the reintroduction of express train services at Granville, Auburn and Lidcombe stations.

Cumberland City is one of Sydney's largest councils with a significant increase in the population expected over the coming years. It is absolutely vital that commuters have efficient and regular transport to support our growing community.

As part of the More Trains, More Services program, the NSW Government changed train routes available to commuters in Sydney's west and south west. This ultimately cut the number of express train services stopping at Granville, Auburn and Lidcombe stations.

Council has received a number of complaints regarding the current train timetable. Many of these complaints relate to longer journey times and overcrowding of trains that is being experienced by our community.

As Greater Sydney evolves following the COVID-19 pandemic, I believe that now is a good opportunity to review the train timetable to better meet the needs of our community. Council would support a trial of express train services at Granville, Auburn and Lidcombe Stations. The trial can rely on existing infrastructure and make it easier for our community to travel to work and spend more time with their families.

Council looks forward to working with the NSW Government to progress work on a trial of express train services at Granville, Auburn and Lidcombe stations.

Yours faithfully


Clr Steve Christou  
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