

Member J O'Connor QSM

Elected Member's Report

April 2019

BUSES LEAVING DEVONPORT WHARF LEAVING FERRY PASSENGERS STRANDED

RECENT POST ON DEVONPORT LOCALS FACEBOOK PAGE

"Early off the ferry (that actually left Akl on time), shot down the boardwalk to the bus, and watched it drive off a few metres in front of me. At least I'm walking distance and it's not raining. When are we going to have a JOINED UP service???. This is just mental. Or even one that is more frequent so it doesn't matter so much if you miss it. I am certain more people would use a more regular ferry/bus service. So sick of Fullers and their monopoly on our harbour. This is not the direction we want to go in if we want people out of their cars."

This is an ongoing problem. The standard answer from AT that the Buses have their own timetable to adhere to is not acceptable

SUBSIDISED SWIMMING LESSON FOR PRESCHOOLERS

RECENT POST ON THE TEPID BATHS FACEBOOK PAGE

Plunket Auckland, YMCA Auckland and Auckland Council have all partnered up to offer half price swimming and water safety for pre-schoolers aged between 3 months from April 29 at eight pools (we are one of them!) across Auckland.

Participating pools:

The YMCA Auckland, Plunket Auckland and Auckland Council partnership will begin on April 29, with the Swim School programmes run out of Lagoon Pool and Leisure Centre, Onehunga War Memorial Pool, Cameron Pool and Leisure Centre, Glen Innes Pool and Leisure Centre, Tepid Baths, West Wave Pool and Leisure Centre, Albany Stadium Pool and Manurewa Pool and Leisure Centre.

All Auckland pre-schoolers aged between 3 months and 5 will have access to half price swimming and water safety lesson at all eight sites, with five more council pools to be brought into the partnership over the next three years.

Find out more (and read up about Willow's amazing survival skills) here:

https://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/news/article.cfm?c_id=1&objectid=12219684

Recommendations

That the Devonport Takapuna Local Board

1. ensure the timetables for buses terminating at the Devonport Wharf be made more flexible so that priority is given to allowing ferry passengers to board awaiting buses.

2. urgently investigate how to include the Takapuna Leisure Centre in the partnership of the Plunket Auckland, YMCA Auckland and Auckland Council which offers half price swimming and water safety for pre-schoolers aged between 3 months and 5 years.

Signed

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