

Public Transport

Ms BURNET question to MINISTER for TRANSPORT

My question is on behalf of Sharon of Taroona, who wrote to you on 3 March, then again on 27 March. She says: 'I had an appointment in North Hobart and left at 9.50 a.m. to arrive in time by bus. I parked near the bus stop as my street is steep and a bit disabled at the moment. The 429 bus had not arrived 14 minutes after it was scheduled, so I drove to Lower Sandy Bay, caught a connecting bus to North Hobart, arriving at 11.05 a.m. After my appointment, I eventually made it home by 12.50 a.m. To sum up, exactly three hours of travel for a 25 minute appointment; all up almost two hours waiting for buses.'

How have you let things get so bad that even people who want to use the bus cannot rely on it? Will you also invest in more protected cycle lanes as a safe alternative to travelling by bus?