

Inquiry Name: Inquiry into Expanding Melbourne's Free Tram Zone

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As a slightly disabled senior citizen, I need a seat to travel on public transport. Most of my social activities since retirement have been in the city (U3A, connecting with friends, church at St Michaels) since I have lived in Brunswick East. My preferred tram has been no 96 but crowding, from the dramatic increase in travellers in recent years due to urban consolidation has increased my anxiety about public transport. So far a seat has been vacated for me, but when the tram is really crowded I do not get in. I would expect that extending the FTZ will mean even more crowding, and reducing further my use of public transport. Loss of neighbours and the proliferation of blocks of flats has been the reason I go into the city to socialise. The elderly, disabled and mothers with prams would be the people impacted by further crowding on public transport.

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