

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

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As a Senior's card holder(1560662) and a senior's myki I do not think there should be free travel at all times for seniors as this would decrease revenue however the free travel could be extended to public holidays and may be special event days such as 11th Nov. However one unfair provision that could be made is that the free travel component of two zones (normally 1+2) for Melbourne holders should be taken into a/c when one travels more than two zones eg travel to Geelong for seniors is at the normal concession rate and does not include free travel for zones 1+2 on weekends which is unfair.

Also if one uses s myki pass of say 7 days (or longer) the free travel component is not included so that for instance the pass includes the weekend for a 7 day pass which is free anyway and there is no real benefit. One area that could be investigated is to allow free travel for interstate seniors who would be able to purchase a seniors myki and not a concession myki. Adelaide gives the same free travel entitlements as its local seniors so why is Victoria "mean spirited"?

As to the free tram zone there could be minor changes made eg travel to Victoria Pde is in the free tram zone for routes 86+96 along Bourke St but not for tram routes 11,12,109 along Collins St. Also technically for tram users using tram 30 along Latrobe St they are required to pay for the Nicholson St to Brunswick St component (1 stop) and could be fined if there are authorized officers checking myki cards at the St Vincents Hospital stop which is very unfair if one is caught not paying.

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