Enterprise and Business Committee IPT08

Inquiry into Integrated Public Transport

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Clerk to the Enterprise and business Committee.

We live at the Fonmon end of Rhoose; we have a local bus service from Llantwit Major to Barry. We have to change busses at Barry if we want to travel to Cardiff, which takes over an hour and a half. We also have a Cardiff Bus direct to Cardiff hourly that takes just forty minutes, that is until 10am, then no bus until1pm. Which leaves a big gap? The last bus back from Cardiff is 7pm. This means we have no chance to attend the Theatre or St David's Hall for an evening's entertainment. The car parking charges in Cardiff are frightening, £11 if you go to the theatre.

I have asked to have a train halt provided at the Fontygary end of Rhoose. When the train route restarted some years ago, but nothing was done. I have also contacted our local MP and AM to try and obtain a halt. We are a mile and a half from the Rhoose station.

Rhoose has become a popular area to live it would be an advantage to have a better transport service. If we had a regular Cardiff bus service it would be marvellous.

Yours truly,

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