

- Our concern is not that numbers in the school will fall. St Bernard's is consistently oversubscribed. Places that become available will be filled either by students whose parents can afford the fares, which is inequitable, or who live nearby. This will put pressure on other local schools admission numbers at a time of falling numbers of secondary age students.
- If numbers using a school bus fall, experience tells us the bus will be removed. This will mean students will be reliant on scheduled services, increasing travel times and raising safeguarding issues.

I would be grateful if you would place these points before the decision making body.

Yours sincerely



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