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I wish to talk to the main points in my written submission at the hearings to be held between Monday 11 May 2009 and Monday 18 May 2009.

Are you completing this submission:	For yourself
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If you are representing, how many people do you represent?	
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Your Submission:	<p>My submission involves public transport. It is my view that the bus system is flawed because it does not consider shift workers or more accurately, people who must travel outside normal hours. If you live in Hornby and must travel to Bromley for a 7AM start, using a bus is not an option.</p> <p>For this reason I believe that smaller buses, in the vicinity of twenty seaters running earlier and continuing later is a serious option to be considered. Smaller buses are more fuel efficient when lightly loaded as compared to a large bus. More frequent services allows more convenience and can still shift lots of commuters. High frequency could mean that if a small bus was the standard, then a new bus exchange would not be so essential because buses would only pass thru the exchange instead of waiting to fill and then depart. Smaller buses use less space and are more manouverable. It should be easier to get drivers because shifts would not be split to the same extent as they are now. 5am till 2pm and 2 pm till 1am for example could mean two distinct shifts. Smaller buses and more frequent services could mean routes that can be tailor made for specific industries or employeers for example, hospital shift changes. Large buses should be used only on express routes and only stop at specific hubs.</p> <p>It is also my view that all rate payers should be polled via their rates demand where they need to travel to if a bus was operating. In other words set up a data base and build the routes around where and when people need to be conveyed to.</p>
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