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Ken Skates AM Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure National Assembly for Wales
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Dear Ken Skates,

I write to you today with deep concern regarding Newport City Councils proposal to cut further transport subsidies to bus services serving the village of Marshfield.

Cuts in Welsh Government funding for concessionary bus travel for older and disabled people and the cut to the bus support grants are having a huge impact on rural communities. The impact will particularly fall on rural areas and will reduce access to employment for people who do not have their own transport or who are looking for work. Enabling economic growth without causing congestion is a priority for Welsh Government and the UK as a whole, making transport easier to use and places easier to get to reduce social exclusion faced by all residents.

Elderly people are heavily dependent on these services without which would lead to further social exclusion and removal of their independence.

Any further cuts to bus services in my area would have a long term detrimental impact on the sustainability of our village.

The population of Marshfield has risen year on year yet services covering, health, social and transport are practically non-existent.

An adequate transport system is important to me because:

**Insert Your Own Reasons Here**

Public transport options for our village are of great importance. Marshfield and all rural communities must be serviced by a transport system that meet the current needs of all current residents and considers the needs of the future.

 We must act now to safeguard services needed to protect the wellbeing of future generations.

What good is a green agenda and encouraging use of public transport when bus services are nonexistent and less attractive?

Yours Sincerely

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