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Mandate

Competition in Public Transportation to Maynooth University & St. Patrick's College Maynooth

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Student Senate notes:

The current conditions that many members of Maynooth Students' Union commuting to Maynooth University & St. Patrick's College Maynooth by public transportation must endure in the course of their commute. These conditions include the public transportation being infrequent, unpunctual, unreliable, unsafe, overcrowded or unhygienic.

Student Senate believes:

That this is partly due to the lack of competition in the provision of public transportation. Due to certain providers having monopoly in services to different parts of the country, they are not under pressure to provide a quality service as the students using it have no alternative in order to access their human right to education. This monopoly allows the providers to lower standards to maximise profits without risk of customers boycotting them. The emergence of greater competition in this area would lead to higher quality, more frequent and direct services with lower prices for members of Maynooth Students' Union.

Student Senate therefore mandates:

The Maynooth Students' Union President to lobby the University and the National Transport Authority in support of new public transportation services departing from Maynooth University or the town of Maynooth.