

WE WANT BUSES FOR PEOPLE NOT PROFIT



Want better buses? Public ownership of buses would save us £506 million a year - money that could be reinvested in more services and lower fares. Research shows that bus privatisation is wasteful because it involves fragmentation and profit-taking.

But now the government wants to ban councils in England from setting up bus companies to run their own services. 12 local authorities already provide excellent bus services across the UK. If we want better buses everywhere, new local authority not-for-dividend bus companies must be allowed as an alternative to private providers.

We call on Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon and the Department for Transport to drop Clause 21 from the Bus Services Bill and allow all local councils to run buses.

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