

7<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Dear Sir

I am writing with regards to the proposed cuts in funding for the Friendly Bus Service, Brossley. This service operates a vital need to the community of our town and without it many of our elderly and vulnerable residents would become extremely isolated. I personally use them six days a week to visit my husband, who unfortunately suffered a second stroke two years ago and is in a nursing home. Without the staff and wonderful generosity of these drivers I would not be able to visit him which no doubt would have an adverse effect on him also. As a lady in my 70's without children, I rely on being able to call upon this service to attend doctor and hospital appointments as does my older sister. I find being on my own and having very limited socializing opportunities the lifeline this group offers with local shopping trips is also imperative to people in my situation. With the government saying people are living longer that maybe, but the quality of life would be all the more poorer without the local service you propose to cut. I sincerely hope you will reconsider your proposal and leave people like me a crumb of life to hold onto.