



Media Release

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COMMUNITY URGED TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON BUS ATTACKS

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NSW Minister for Transport David Campbell today said it was disappointing that Busways had been forced to withdraw from some routes in Shalvey following repeated attacks on bus drivers.

Mr Campbell said the attacks were reckless and cowardly and had forced local bus services to be withdrawn.

“The idiots carrying out these attacks are hurting their own community by taking transport services away from mums, dads and grandparents,” Mr Campbell said.

“Someone out there must know the people who are behind these attacks and for the sake of restoring bus services in the area I’m urging them to come forward.

“The Government will continue to work with Busways, NSW Police and the Transport Workers Union to resolve the issue, but we also need the community to come onboard.

“I am disappointed that Busways has had to withdraw from some of these routes, but attacks on our dedicated public transport workers will not be tolerated.

“The safety of our bus drivers and passengers is our highest priority and we have a responsibility to do all we can to protect people from this reckless behaviour.

“I fully support tough action being taken against those responsible for the attacks.”

Mr Campbell encouraged anyone with information regarding the attacks to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.