

**Democratic Alliance Johannesburg Media Statement  
DA City of Johannesburg Transport spokesman  
PR Councillor Nico De Jager**

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**An order from 2012 of 150 new Metro busses has still not been placed**

Joburg City Council allocated R200 million to buy 150 desperately needed busses to replace old and discontinued busses.

This announcement was made in the 2012/13 budget speech and yet to date, no order for buses has been placed.

In terms of the 3 year budget cycle the council allocated R300 million for 2015/2016 financial year, R300 million for the same purchase of the same 150 buses.

“This is a R100 million more than what was originally budgeted for because of sheer incompetence,” says DA Cllr De Jager.

The incompetence of Metrobus Board of Directors will have cost the City R100 million over 3 years.

“The ANC-governed City of Johannesburg continues to mismanage Metrobus, it is unfortunate that it is the passengers who pay the biggest price,” says Cllr De Jager, DA Transport spokesperson.

“Every day there are bus routes cancelled, continued break downs and late arrival of busses, which is damaging the image of Metro Bus as an unreliable public transport system,” he says.

All this because a simple task of ordering budgeted for busses has not happened.

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