
**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF
THE EXECUTIVE
HELD ON 25 MARCH 2002**

EX.099/02 CONCESSIONARY FARES BEST VALUE REVIEW (Non-Key Decision)

Councillor L Fisher declared a personal interest as he was a qualifying person for a pass.

Portfolio Infrastructure Environment and Transport

Subject Matter

To consider a Report from the City Treasurer (Financial Memo 2001/02 No.150) advising Members of the contents of the final draft of the Best Value Review of Concessionary Fares, which had been endorsed by the Infrastructure, Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 7 March 2002.

The City Treasurer commented on the improvements to the scheme instigated during the Review and future improvements planned, the input which Members had given to the review process and an Action Plan detailing the actions to be progressed over the next three years.

The Chairman of the Infrastructure Overview and Scrutiny Committee, which had supervised this Review, was present at the meeting and indicated that the Committee had found this Review to be particularly rewarding. It had been a well presented Review and the comments of Members had been taken on board, resulting in improvements to the benefits for qualifying persons.

Councillor G Prest, Infrastructure, Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder thanked the Officers and the Infrastructure Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the excellent outcome from this Best Value Review. He pointed out that qualifying persons now had the choice of a bus pass or rail card. Those who wanted both could get a free bus pass with a rail card at a discounted cost of £15.

Summary of options rejected

None

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DECISION

That the Concessionary Fares Best Value Review and Action Plan be approved as the basis for ensuring an improved Concessionary Fares Scheme for pensioners and disabled people both now and in the medium to long term.

Reasons for Decision

In order to ensure and improve the Concessionary Fares Scheme for pensioners and disabled people, both now and in the medium to long term.