

**Concessionary Fares – A Countywide Scheme (16 August 2006)**

The following table prepared by the County Council identifies the funding implications for each of the Cambridgeshire District Councils and Peterborough. It is based on the principle that each council is prepared to commit as much funding to an enhanced scheme as they are already likely to need to provide under the current scheme. Estimates will be updated as new information becomes available up to the start of the enhanced scheme.

	Allocated budget for concessionary fares, 2006/07	Estimates of what the current scheme will cost in 2006/07	Maximum funding to be committed to an enhanced scheme in 2006/07	Maximum funding to be committed to an enhanced scheme in 2007/08 (5% inflation)
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cambridge City	650	870	870	913
South Cambridgeshire	525	307	525	551
East Cambridgeshire	190	220	220	231
Huntingdonshire	450	485	600	630
Fenland	260	260	260	273
Peterborough	1,186	1,460	1,460	1,533
Totals	3,261	3,602	3,935	4,131

***When officers discussed the latest estimate of the cost for the current year with County officers it became clear that the Huntingdonshire figure was much less reliable than those for other Councils as we had the highest proportion of routes where no reliable data had been provided by operators.***

The next table summarises the overall estimated costs of a countywide scheme, and the sources of funding from which the cost will be met. Figures are £k.

	2006/07 £000	2007/08 (5% inflation plus an allowance for extra routes) £000
<b>Costs</b>		
Agreed cap on operators' reimbursement * (includes on-bus revenue)	4,000 to 4,400	4,350 to 4,745
* still to be finalised		
<b>Funding</b>		
From District Councils	3,935	4,130
<b>Difference</b> (to be arranged by Cambs County Council, from LPSA money)	65 to 465	220 to 615