

Agenda Item 13, Revenue Budget Proposal 2012/2013

Liberal Democrat Group Amendment

Adjourned Council Meeting

8 February 2012

Proposed Amendment:

This Council objects to the £400,000 reduction in the reimbursement rate from the Council to bus companies from the concessionary fares due to the adverse impact on local bus services as identified by Overview and Scrutiny Board during the budget process. This reduction will have a negative effect on services to the public throughout the bay as bus operators are already suffering from increases in the cost of fuel and in April 2012 the 20% reduction regarding bus operators grant will take place. Furthermore the Council will have to be vigilant that services to the outer lying areas of the Bay are not lost. These are essential to convey people and schoolchildren, who do not have access to a car or similar vehicle to the main link bus service running through the centre of the Bay from Brixham to Newton Abbot via, Paignton and Torquay.

Proposer: Councillor Doggett

Seconder: Councillor Faulkner (A)