
SPECIAL MOTION NO. 4 – FREEDOM PASS

Standing in the names of:

- (i) Councillor Mark Loveday
- (ii) Councillor Paul Bristow

"This Council notes:

- a. Its commitment to the Freedom Pass, which provides free travel 24 hours a day, 7 days a week on bus, tube and most rail routes for the borough's over 60 and disabled residents;
- b. The 3-year agreement made with government in April 2008 to part-fund the Freedom Pass;
- c. The decision in July 2009 by Transport Minister Sadiq Khan MP to re-open funding of the Freedom Pass;
- d. The proposals in the consultation paper "*Local Authority special grant funding in 2010/11 for the national bus concession in England*" to renege on the funding agreement so that London will lose £29 million - almost half its agreed funding for 2010-11;
- e. The threat this entails to free travel for thousands of pensioners and disabled residents in Hammersmith & Fulham.

This Council resolves:

- a. To oppose the Department for Transport's re-opening of the 3-year funding deal;
- b. To ask both borough MPs to write to the Prime Minister seeking his intervention to protect funding for the Freedom Pass".