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Kind regards
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Subject: Consultation on proposed changes to concessionary rail travel for older people

Consultation on proposed changes to concessionary rail travel for older people

A new consultation has been launched on a proposed change to the concessionary travel support provided by West Sussex County Council.

There will be no changes to the national 'free bus passes' provided to older and disabled people. However, council funding is currently provided for certain additions to the national 'free bus pass' scheme. The proposal being consulted on is to no longer offer a free Senior Railcard as an alternative to the bus pass.

If the proposal goes ahead, eligible older people will be able to receive their free bus pass instead of a free Senior Railcard. WSCC will continue to fund the following additions to the national scheme in West Sussex:

- Free travel on buses at any time for Disabled Person's Bus Pass holders
- Companion passes so that qualifying pass holders who need help to travel on buses can take someone with them who can travel for free as well
- A free Disabled Person's Railcard instead of the Disabled Person's Bus Pass

Before any decision is made, we are keen to gather feedback from passengers and others to help us understand the impact of this change.

Further information and the consultation questionnaire is available online at www.westsussex.gov.uk/buses - or by calling 01243 642105 for a paper copy.

We would appreciate your help in promoting the consultation as appropriate. A promo poster is attached; please let me know if you require any hard copies.

Feedback on behalf of your organisation can be made by completing the online consultation questionnaire or by email to: buses@westsussex.gov.uk

The closing date for responses is **4 December 2019**

Best regards

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