

Wiltshire Council

Cabinet

14 December 2010

**Item 5 – Public Participation
Wiltshire Local Transport Plan 2011-2026 – Car Parking Strategy (item 6)**

Statement from Mr Ian Storey

I wish to register my objection to the proposed increase in car parking charges in Corsham:

1. Wiltshire Council is subsidising concessionary bus fares for the 60+, thus enabling them to shop outside of the town to Bath and Chippenham for free. This is not supportive of the economy of Corsham. I speak as an eligible person.

and,

2. The premise that Corsham needs to maintain parity of charges with the neighbouring towns of Bath and Cirencester seems to be a flawed premise. Surely Corsham (and similar Wiltshire towns near to the periphery of Wiltshire) need to consider whether a cheaper charge could be an economic incentive to shop in Wiltshire?