Discretionary Travel Concessions 2008/09

TCA:	Current charge for a companion pass	Anticipate changing for 09/10?	Current charge for a replacement permit	Anticipate changing for 09/10?	Other concessions
Ashford	£21.25		£3.50	No decision yet	None
Canterbury	None	No	£10	No decision yet	None
Dartford	Awaiting response	Awaiting response	None	No intention of introducing a charge at the moment	Awaiting response
Dover	£70	No	None	No intention of introducing a charge at the moment	£30 vouchers for taxi use as alternative to bus pass – to v limited categories of people.
Gravesham	None	Depending on cost of companion pass, if continue to offer, may consider a charge.	£5	At present no plans to increase this charge – although may change if a few more Kent districts say they are charging £10!	£15 voucher towards Senior Railcard as alternative to bus pass.
Maidstone	None	To be reviewed.	£5	No plans to change	Grant of £55k to Age Concern to operate travel voucher scheme for those with severe mobility

					impairment unable to use conventional bus services. Book of £2 vouchers for use on taxis, dial a ride and community and voluntary transport (£70 in a full year).
Medway	£75	Increase to £78	£5	No plans at present but things may change.	None
Sevenoaks	None	No	£5	No plans to change	None
Shepway	£5	Increase to £30	None	Proposing to introduce a charge of £10 for next year	Discount railcard as alternative.
Swale	None	No plans to charge.	£5	No plans to increase charges at present.	None
Thanet	None	Plan to charge £30	£10	No – to remain at £10	None
Tonbridge and Malling	£10	No decision yet on charges for 09/10.	£10	No decision yet on charges for 09/10.	£10 voucher towards Senior, Network or Disabled Railcard as alternative to bus pass.
Tunbridge Wells	None	No plans to charge	£10	Do not anticipate increasing the charge next year.	£10 voucher towards Senior Railcard to those on benefits or towards Disabled

		Persons Railcard in
		addition to bus pass.

NB: all TCAs replace stolen passes free on production of a valid crime reference number