



**Winchester**  
City Council

**COUNCIL MEETING – 23 February 2006**

**Question under Council Procedure Rule 14(2)(b)**

**QUESTION 3**

From: Councillor Tait

To: The Portfolio Holder for Economy and Transport

“What is the cost of using a Park and Ride bus if a passenger boards whilst the bus is on it’s route to or from the Park and Ride terminal (obviously when the bus has stopped moving) but has not already bought a ticket, and how many fares were collected in the last year.”

Reply

“There is a fare set by the City Council of 20p for users of the Park and Ride bus within the town centre, i.e. on the Broadway – Rail Station – Broadway loop. For other journeys, normal Stagecoach fares apply if a car park ticket has not been purchased. The maximum fare, between St Catherine’s Park and Ride and the Rail Station, is £1.00 single, £1.70 return. From 1 April 2006, any person over 60 with a free fare bus pass will be able to use the service free of charge.

As regards the number of fares collected, this is a commercial matter for Stagecoach as the contract specifies that the operator receives the fare income collected. This is a standard arrangement for bus services operated under contract to a local authority. Surveys have however indicated that there are about 200 users per day of the town centre loop facility.”