TAVISTOCK TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET & POLICY COMMITTEE 19th NOVEMBER, 2019 BRIEFING NOTE GOOSE FAIR PARK & RIDE

GOOSE FAIR PARK & RIDE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2019

It has been the past practice of this Council to recognise the support given by the local Lions Clubs (at Goose Fair 'Park and Ride' sites) through the award of a payment each year. Previously in recognition of what had become a downward trend in Park and Ride income this was reduced from £1,250 to £1,000 each for the two Lions Clubs who have supported this initiative over many years.

- After several poor performing years 2015 saw a significant improvement in usage resulting in total income from Park and Ride sites of £10,783 (as compared to £6,591 in the previous year) resulting in a decision to award an uplifted amount to the Lions clubs (£1,250 each).
- In 2016 Park and Ride income fell back appreciably to £9061.53.
- 2017 saw an accelerated continuation of the general downward trend (2015 apart) in usage/income to £6,118.10
- 2018, with better weather saw a modest improvement on recent years to £8,125.

This year with poor weather in the run up to Goose Fair, a relocation from Lumburn to Gulworthy, and the need to close Harford Bridge to traffic in the afternoon due to ground conditions takings were again down at £5081.31. Base costs (ie not including signage or Lions grants) were relatively stable at £9031 (last year £8,781). Particular appreciation is extended to both the Lions and Raynet staff at Harford Bridge where a number of drivers required assistance to leave the site. A report on Goose Fair income and expenditure overall will be brought forward in due course by the General Manager.

The Council is invited to recognise the contribution made by the Tavistock and Tamar Lions Clubs by way of grant as in previous years. In the circumstances Council may wish to consider an award of £1,000 per Lions Club.

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