That the terms of the Travel Pass Scheme be reviewed with a view to accommodating new entrants and those who do not work on a full time basis.

1. A claim on behalf of the Staff Side for a review of the terms of the Travel Pass Scheme with a view to accommodating new entrants and those who do not work on a full time basis was placed before the General Council Meeting held on 27 March 2003, and was referred to the Travel and Subsistence sub-committee for consideration.

2. The subcommittee discussed the topic on three occasions (25 April 2003, 18 November 2003 and 25 March 2004). On foot of those meetings and following extensive correspondence with CIE, it was agreed that the letter attached at Appendix I should issue.

3. CIE informed the Official Side that it was not possible for them to issue "work-sharing" annual tickets. It was confirmed with CIE that tickets for portions of a year are available on a sliding scale of prices which will allow new entrants to join existing schemes during a given annual period.

4. The letter to Personnel Officers was issued on the 14 June 2004.

This report was adopted on 28 July 2004