

**QUESTION NO 21**

**By Councillor Johnston for answer  
by the Convener of the Transport and  
Environment Committee at a meeting  
of the Council on 17 March 2022**

The Council has supported Lothian Buses during the pandemic with a package of Council and Scottish Government Covid support that apparently amounted to £70m.

**Question** (1) What proportion of the £70m directly related to Barnett consequential of support provided for bus services by the UK Government and passed to the Scottish Government as additional funding to allow it to provide the equivalent support in Scotland?

**Answer** (1)

**Question** (2) What proportion of this fund relates to the UK Government's Covid Furlough Scheme?

**Answer** (2)

**Question** (3) Please give an estimate of the future reductions in turnover for Lothian Buses because of each of the following: i) the opening of the Tram completion project to Newhaven, ii) the "to not through" policy in the City Centre transformation and iii) any alterations to Lothian Bus Tours and Lothian Buses Airport services as a result of Council traffic changes?

**Answer** (3)