

QUESTION NO 5

**By Councillor Laidlaw for answer by
the Convener of the Transport and
Environment Committee at a meeting
of the Council on 29 April 2021**

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The Convener will be aware of the significant issues many residents face with regard to the lack of provision of public toilet facilities in some of our most popular parks and green spaces, including, but not limited to, Leith Links, Inverleith Park and the Meadows. Already, as Covid restrictions ease, these areas have seen large numbers of people gathering to eat and drink outdoors and this is likely to increase as we enter the summer months.

Given the Council does not have the resources to construct and open public toilets in these areas would the Convener consider putting out to tender the license of the commercial provision on temporary toilet facilities, operating on a commercial basis, in these most popular and thus problematic, outdoor areas?

Answer