

**QUESTION NO 8**

**By Councillor Caldwell for answer by the Convener of the Transport and Environment Committee at a meeting of the Council on 22 September 2022**

The Scottish Government have announced a proposed £150m of funding for Active Travel across the country, including proposals to double the funding of the National Cycle Network in 2023.

The semi-abandoned railway line between Saint Mark's Park and Abbeyhill could provide a vital path linking the areas to Pilrig, Leith Walk, Allanfield and Easter Road and signal a major expansion of the North Edinburgh Path Network to the east of the City and facilitate easier walking, wheeling and cycling.

The Council's Active Travel team are currently conducting a feasibility study which is due later this year.

Can the Transport and Environment Convener please confirm;

**Question** (1) What additional resource have the Active Travel team been allocated to conduct the feasibility study?

**Answer** (1)

**Question** (2) What representations have been made so far to national bodies, such as Transport Scotland, to deliver funding for the proposed project?

**Answer** (2)

**Question** (3) What representations have been made so far to charities and third sector organisations, such as Sustrans, to deliver funding for the proposed project?

**Answer** (3)

**Question** (4) Now the 'Spaces for People' and the 'Travelling Safely ETRO' consultations have concluded, can the Convener assure me that appropriate Officer time will be dedicated to the Powderhall Active Travel Project, which was first discussed by the North East Locality back in 2018?

**Answer**

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