

Democratic Services

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The First Minister
The Scottish Government
St Andrew's House
Regent Road
EDINBURGH, EH 3DG

Dear First Minister,

The Council, at its meeting on 4th March, passed the following Motion, which had been proposed by Alderman Kingston and seconded by Councillor Reynolds:

Support for Roads Infrastructure in Scotland

"This Council:

- Recognises the long-standing cultural and economic ties between Northern Ireland and Scotland, and that fundamental to increasing the benefit to Belfast from this connection is the need to improve transport connections between Scotland and Northern Ireland;
- Welcomes that the ferry services between Cairnryan and Belfast, by Stena Line, 6 times per day, and between Cairnryan and Larne, by P&O, 7 times per day, are among the busiest services in the UK and represent a strong opportunity for economic and tourism growth; however, the inadequate transport infrastructure beyond the ferry terminals at Cairnryan is inhibiting that growth and require investment to bring them up to standard;
- Supports the campaign in Ayrshire and Dumfries and Galloway for investment in the roads infrastructure - along the A77 towards Glasgow/central Scotland and along the A75 towards the Scotland/England border, which are both predominantly single carriageway routes and pass through a number of small towns and villages – and in the rail infrastructure along the same routes, and agrees to write to the Scottish Government in support of calls for a long-term programme of such investment in the transport infrastructure of South West Scotland."

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I would request that you draw the Motion to the attention of the Scottish Government.

Yours sincerely,

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