



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

## Economy and Fair Work Committee

Kate Forbes MSP  
Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Gaelic  
Scottish Government

**23 February 2026**

Dear Kate,

### Alexander Dennis

The Committee is aware that the furlough scheme announced on 15 September 2025, to support bus manufacturer Alexander Dennis, is due to end in March 2026.

As the end of March approaches, and also the end of this Session of the Parliament, the Committee would be grateful for an update on the scheme and any plans to extend it.

The Committee would also be grateful for clarification of the process should a request to extend the scheme be made during the period in which the Parliament is in dissolution.

The Committee would be grateful for a response by Friday 6 March.

Yours sincerely,

**Daniel Johnson MSP**  
Convener