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## Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee

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Dear Anas,

### **COVID-19: funding support for business**

I refer to your letter of 22 September regarding funding support for business during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Economy, Energy and Fair Work is carrying out an ongoing inquiry on the impact of COVID-19 on businesses, workers and the economy. The Committee has gathered written evidence on these matters and has taken oral evidence from a range of relevant witnesses, including the main representative organisations of businesses in Scotland. The Committee has also held a focus group with businesses where support for business was one of the topics discussed. Details of that evidence can be found on the inquiry [webpage](#).

The Committee's forthcoming budget scrutiny report will focus on COVID-19. I will ask the Clerks to send you a link to that report as it is likely to cover the evidence the Committee has received to date, including business support.

After the October recess, the Committee plans to take evidence from panels representing businesses (among others) across the country to find out the regional impact of the pandemic.

Kind regards,

Gordon Lindhurst MSP, Convener