

22 September 2008 - No tolls on the Forth Crossing guaranteed!

Jim Tolson MSP for Dunfermline West welcomed the guarantee given by the Minister Stewart Stevenson that tolls would not be introduced on the replacement Forth crossing.

Jim said "At long last, an assurance that the new crossing is not going to be tolled. This will come as a relief to commuters and businesses alike in Fife!"

After many months of lobbying the Government, Jim Tolson is glad that persistence has now paid off!

Mr Tolson added "I have campaigned for the removal of tolls from the current Forth Road Bridge since before I was elected as MSP for Dunfermline. It was clear that business, commuters and visitors were discouraged from coming to Fife when tolls were in place. When the government agreed to remove the tolls, there was a great sigh of relief in across Fife. However, the concern remained that a new Forth Crossing would be tolled bringing back the unfair charge to West Fife and beyond. Now the Minister has again listened to the case for Fife we can be assured that Fife has its fair chance at prosperity along with the rest of Scotland."