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Our policies to keep the city moving; investing in active travel, fixing our roads and pavements and keeping our bus service in public hands...

- We will invest £100m over the next five years to fix our roads and pavements. We will embark on the most significant improvement programme that the capital has seen in decades.

- We will alleviate parking issues for residents. We will create additional park and ride facilities over the next 5 years, reducing parking pressures throughout the city. We will listen to residents' views and look to extend parking controls to the areas where they are needed most.

- We will keep Lothian Buses and Tram in public hands. Edinburgh benefits from having one of the best transport companies in the whole of Europe. We want to keep it that way and will never let them fall into private hands.

- The SNP supports the extension of the tram in principle. We believe that extending the tram represents the best means of building the capacity we need in our public transport network and unlocking the economic potential of communities across the city. We recognise that to instil public confidence in tram extension, the project must be delivered on time and on budget without placing undue pressure on the city's finances. A robust business case must be accompanied by the assurance that the project will be properly managed, disruption will be kept to the absolute minimum and small and independent businesses will be supported throughout the duration of the works. We will not progress the tram unless these conditions are met.

- We will ensure our city is accessible to everyone. We will tackle pavement obstructions and further reduce street clutter. We will tackle parking at drop kerbs and parking on pavements as soon as we have the powers to do so and conduct a wide-ranging review on access issues for people with disabilities.

- We will take decisive action to address Edinburgh's congestion and meet our air quality standards. We will work to reduce emissions in Edinburgh from the heaviest polluting vehicles, improving access to sustainable transport and work to reduce the number of vehicles coming into Edinburgh from outside the city.

- The SNP will protect our roads from unnecessary utility works. Utility companies continually digging up our roads and pavements can inflict damage to our infrastructure, increase traffic pressure and cause chaos in our communities. We will explore the introduction of a rent charge for utility companies to prevent such disruption.

- We will commit 10% of our transport budget to cycling. Edinburgh leads the nation in our investment in cycling. This policy has leveraged in millions of pounds in additional investment to our transport network and we will ensure its continuation over the next five years.

- Transport connections to rural West Edinburgh need to be more frequent and affordable. The SNP will work with neighbouring councils and bus operators to improve public transport links to the city centre and vital public services.

Edinburgh is a historic city with 21st century transport needs. To keep Edinburgh moving we need to create a more harmonious environment for everyone who shares our roads and pavements. This means providing a sustainable, modern transport network that has active travel and public transport at its heart, ensuring Edinburgh remains a walkable city where the needs of pedestrians are central to how our streets are designed.

It also means doing more to reduce parking pressures that Edinburgh residents face by combatting irresponsible parking and increasing park and ride facilities.

The SNP will take action to reduce traffic and congestion, improve accessibility and connectivity and will commit to undertaking the most significant roads and pavement improvement works that the city has seen in decades.