

Response from Mrs Elizabeth MacKerrall
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Minister

As a resident of West Dunbartonshire, I write on behalf of the many people who are against the continuance of tolls on this bridge. The levy was set over 30 years ago when the bridge opened. At that time there was considerably less traffic on the road than there is now and over the years, the cost of the bridge has been recouped.

The annual Road License Fee should be used to cover the upkeep of the bridge and savings would be made on salaries, with the removal of the tollbooths.

I and many others feel strongly about the ongoing charges and as a result, use the bridge only rarely, preferring to take the Clyde tunnel road, a more lengthy journey, in protest at the ongoing charges.

With the abolition of the Skye Bridge Toll, Renfrewshire and West Dunbartonshire industry and residents feel unjustly treated with the tolls on this bridge remaining.

I do hope you can consider this objection to the ongoing charges.