

Witness Name: Dr Tim Leunig

Statement No.: 2

Exhibits: N/A

Dated: 1 December 2025

UK COVID-19 INQUIRY

WITNESS STATEMENT OF DR TIM LEUNIG

I, Tim Leunig, will say as follows:

1. At paragraph 434 of my Original Statement, I state: *I noted that if super spreaders (because of their work or attitudes) met other super spreaders, we could get an exponential rise even when R was well below zero.* R was well below zero should read R was well below **one**.
2. At paragraph 555 of my Original Statement, I state: *JobKeeper cost \$89 billion (£43bn, around £110m scaled to UK population size, so rather more expensive than furlough), \$70bn in the first six months, \$13 billion in the second three month stage and \$6 billion in the final three month stage.* £110m should read £110**bn**.

STATEMENT OF TRUTH

I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true. I understand that proceedings may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief of its truth.

Signed: PD

Personal Data

Dated: 1/12/2025

