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SNP INVESTS ACROSS TAYSIDE AND FIFE

COMMITTED TO PROTECTING SCOTLAND FROM HARD RIGHT TORY AUSTERITY OBSESSION

The SNP Government will continue to invest in vital infrastructure across Tayside, Perthshire and Fife – helping to boost the local economy and protect the area from the brutal cuts being imposed by the austerity obsessed, far-right Tory party.

The Scottish Government has a strong record of investing in the East of Scotland, with multi-million pound investment in the new Harris Academy in Dundee, £45.3 million on the new Levenmouth Academy in Fife, ongoing investment in the new V&A Museum, the roll out of superfast broadband with £400 million of spending, continued investment in Scottish Water, tens of thousands on new affordable homes, significant spending on regeneration work across Tayside, the dualling of the A9 between Perth and Inverness, ongoing work and spending on the £1.35 billion Queensferry Crossing, £4.5 million of spending on the new Intensive Psychiatric Care Unit at Stratheden Hospital in Fife, £10 million to support construction of the biomass energy centre at the University of St Andrews and £86 million for the new Fife College campus in Dunfermline.

Investment in the East of Scotland would be significantly higher if the Tory government matched the SNP's commitment to the area – but their record of swingeing public sector cuts and refusal to invest in the local economy is acting as a drain on the area's potential growth.

Commenting, SNP MSP David Torrance said:

"I am proud that projects which were delayed under previous governments, like the new Queensferry Crossing, are finally becoming a reality – and will bring lasting benefits for people across the region for years to come.

"The SNP has always been committed to investing in local economies across Fife, Tayside and Perthshire, and this commitment will continue in the years to come in the face of crippling Tory austerity and public service cuts.

"The choice facing voters across the East of Scotland in both May and June is absolutely clear – do they want to elect a strong team of SNP representatives that will always stand up for the interests of their communities and a track record of delivering vital infrastructure projects such as the Queensferry Crossing, new schools, huge investment in cultural facilities such as the new V&A Museum, support for our world-leading higher and further education centres, thousands of new affordable homes, additional spending on our NHS, and work to dual the A9 between Perth and Inverness?

"Or do they want to elect Tory representatives who are obsessed with cutting our vital public services such as education and health and social care, slashing investment in the vital infrastructure projects that the East of Scotland economy depends on, continuing to ignore the need for new affordable housing and transport improvements, and that are utterly desperate to pile misery on the most vulnerable in our society?

“Only the SNP can be trusted to champion the interests of communities across Dundee, Fife and Perthshire.”

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