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## Just Transition Commission Grangemouth Tour

21st January 2020

## **Commission Attendees**

Professor Jim Skea
Professor Mike Danson
Tom Shields
Charlotte Hartley, representing 2050 Climate Group
Kate Rowell
Norman Kerr
Rachel McEwen

## **Visit Summary**

The Commission were hosted by Falkirk Council for a tour of the Falkirk and Grangemouth area, learning about the industrial operations, community outreach support and development plans for the area, including the Helix Park. They were joined by representatives from Falkirk Council, local industry, Scottish Enterprise, Forth Valley College, local Community Council and the Helix.

The Commission were shown the industrial operations at Grangemouth and provided an overview of the operations at the Earl's Road complex, Grangemouth Port and the INEOS complex. This provided the Commission background on the scale of the operations and how the various sites linked together. The Commission heard about the local industries investment strategy, which included the modernising of manufacturing facilities, infrastructure upgrades and the new opportunities this will provide at the site.

The Commission then visited Grangemouth High School where they heard from pupils and teachers on the joint schools-industry working programme. They heard about the outreach and engagement provided by local industry to encourage and help young people gain apprenticeships.

Finally, the Commission were taken to the Kelpies to hear about how the Helix has transformed the area and increasing tourism and generating jobs for the Falkirk area. The Commission heard about how the area will be developed over the coming years to help further diversify and increase resilience of the local economy.