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Dear James

MORAY GROWTH DEAL – SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT

I am writing on behalf of my colleague, Michael Matheson MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity, to advise you, as Convener of the Local Government And Communities Committee, that the Scottish Government today announced a quantum of investment in the Moray Growth Deal.

The announcement confirms that the Scottish Government will invest up to £32.5 million over a 10 to 15 year period in the Moray Growth Deal.

This significant investment will drive further economic development across a range of priority themes defined by Moray Council and its partners in consultation with local stakeholders. The projects and activities to be supported through the deal will be confirmed, in partnership with Moray Council and the UK Government, at the Heads of Terms stage in the process.

This investment will help drive inclusive growth that will deliver significant and lasting economic benefits for individuals, businesses and communities across Moray.

I hope this information is helpful.

I am copying this letter to the convener of the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee.

PAUL WHEELHOUSE