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Michael Shanks MP

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Energy
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Dear Minister,

We are contacting you regarding the proposed closure of the Alloa Campus of Forth Valley College yesterday. The College have specifically cited flat cash settlements and a reduction in credit for the 23/24 academic year due to decisions taken in Edinburgh as the reason for having to consider this incredibly unwelcome proposal.

You will be acutely aware of the vital role that Forth Valley College will play in equipping our young people for the opportunities that the UK and Scottish Governments have pledged to industry in Grangemouth.

Any necessary consolidation or reduction in the curriculum available at Forth Valley College, and opportunities available to young people that would come because of the loss of the Alloa Campus would be significantly harmful to the prospects of local training being available for these local opportunities.

As a Minister deeply involved in the UK Government's role in the delivery of Project Willow and overseeing the delivery of new industries at Grangemouth, what steps can you take to shield the College, staff, students and local industries from the worst effects of this potential closure?

Yours sincerely,

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