

On the road to a brighter, more sustainable future



positive energy

Climate change is firmly on the agenda in 2021. Next November, the UN Climate Change Conference – better known as COP26 – will be held in Glasgow.

It's a pivotal moment and one that will propel us towards a positive energy future.

That journey, of course, is already underway. Over the past few weeks, we have shone a spotlight on Teesside, which is already playing a critical role in helping the UK meet its low carbon ambitions. It's a role that's only going to increase in importance in the years ahead, and we've already seen a flurry of activity in the region in recent months, which includes the exciting **Net Zero Teesside** project.

In a difficult year, it's things like that which gives us all real reason to be hopeful. And that's something we've explored recently too by highlighting how the industry is stepping up in a number of ways, which include harnessing its skills to develop new ways to tackle greenhouse gas emissions, which have fallen 40 per cent since 2000.

We've delved into the lives of our People of Energy – a network of over 250,000 people in the UK helping power services essential to everyday life. This includes people working offshore, like **Neil Travis**, who spends much of his working life on a platform in the North Sea, and those working onshore, like **Chris Moody**.

We're holding ourselves to account too. The oil and gas industry is changing, and it's changing for good. To help illustrate that, we've developed our transition tracker which charts some important metrics – from the amount being invested in the Low Carbon Economy to the percentage of the UK's energy requirements being delivered by oil and gas.

So, we've begun our journey. We can see we're moving towards a more sustainable future, but there is still a long way to go. In 2021, let's build on the good work that has already been done.