

Policy Forum for London Keynote Seminar: Next steps for growth in the Thames Estuary

Timing: Morning, Thursday 14th March 2019

Venue: Central London



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Teresa Pearce MP
- 9.05 - 9.35 **The Thames Estuary 2050 Growth Commission report**
Senior speaker to be confirmed
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 - 10.05 **Addressing 'fragmented governance' in the region and the way forward for growth**
Councillor Paul Carter, Leader, Kent County Council
Councillor Gagan Mohindra, Cabinet Member for Economic Development, Essex County Council
- 10.05 - 10.25 **Delivering major infrastructure projects - housing, transport and supporting employment**

Priorities for housing - access to land for development, links to transport and employment, and challenges for implementation
Senior representative, housing

Next steps for major transport projects in the region - investment, improving capacity and next steps for delivery
Tim Jones, Project Director, Lower Thames Crossing, Highways England
- 10.25 - 10.55 Questions and comments from the floor with **Councillor Paul Carter**, Leader, Kent County Council and **Councillor Gagan Mohindra**, Portfolio Holder for Economic Development, Essex County Council
- 10.55 - 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**
Teresa Pearce MP
- 11.00 - 11.30 Coffee
- 11.30 - 11.35 **Chair's opening remarks**
John Howell MP, Chair, River Thames All-Party Parliamentary Group
- 11.35 - 12.25 **The future for growth, employment and skills in the region: unlocking the river's potential, creating new jobs and improving collaboration between local stakeholders**
David Burch, Head of Policy, Essex Chambers of Commerce
Christian Brodie, Chair, South East Local Enterprise Partnership
Senior representative, university
Senior speaker to be confirmed
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 - 12.55 **Responding to the Thames Estuary 2050 Growth Commission report and next steps for implementation**
Laura Jackson, Deputy Head, London and the South East, Cities and Local Growth Unit
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Policy Forum for London closing remarks**
John Howell MP, Chair, River Thames All-Party Parliamentary Group
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Policy Forum for London