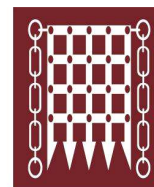


**Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar:
Next steps for rail services in the UK - value for money, passenger experience and
the Digital Railway Strategy**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 10th July 2018

Venue: Glaziers Hall, 9 Montague Close, London SE1 9DD



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Berkeley, Chairman, Rail Freight Group
- 9.05 - 9.15 **Rail services in the UK: developments and the policy context**
Ian Tucker, Partner, Burges Salmon
- 9.15 - 9.30 **The future for the funding and regulation of rail services**
Joanna Whittington, Chief Executive Officer, Office of Rail and Road
- 9.30 - 9.50 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.50 - 10.20 **Developing an intelligent network: smart ticketing, use of data and online connectivity**
Steve Wakeland, Chief Executive Officer, ITSO
David Fittall, Radio Evolution Manager, O2
Luisa Moisiso, Research and Development Programme Director, RSSB
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 - 10.45 **The next steps for the UK's digital signalling system**
Jessica Matthew, Deputy Director, Rail Digital Services, Department for Transport
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 - 11.10 Coffee
- 11.10 - 12.00 **Priorities for meeting the demands of rail users**
With the ongoing 'Easier Fares consultation' on the rules underpinning Britain's ticketing options and in the context of fare rises what should be the next steps for ensuring value for money across the network? In light of the early termination of the East Coast Mainline franchise contract, calls for re-nationalisation of UK railways, and the awarding of the HS2 contract this year, what are the next steps for the franchise system within the UK? With the publication of Network Rail's Freight Network Study, how can the UK freight rail sector ensure that it meets the expected future demands of further expansion and increased involvement in nationwide economic growth?
David Sidebottom, Transport User Director, Transport Focus
Maggie Simpson, Executive Director, Rail Freight Group
Mark Whitehouse, Managing Director, Virgin Trains
Russell Goodenough, Client Managing Director, Transport, Fujitsu
Councillor Peter Butlin, Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder, Finance and Property, Warwickshire County Council
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.00 - 12.10 **Developing customer-focused rail infrastructure and expanding intermodal connectivity**
Rebeka Sellick, Director, SellickRail
- 12.10 - 12.20 **'Devolution, economic growth and connectivity - a guiding mind and the role of rail'**
Tim Wood, Northern Powerhouse Rail Director, Transport for the North
- 12.20 - 12.30 **'What should the Government do to help rail deliver UK economic growth?'**
Darren Caplan, Chief Executive, Railway Industry Association
- 12.30 - 12.55 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Lord Berkeley, Chairman, Rail Freight Group
Sam Dolton, Associate Producer, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum