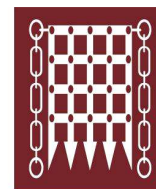


**Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar:
Next steps for rail services in the UK - investment, modernisation and devolution**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 10th July 2018

Venue: Central London

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- 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 - 9.25 **The future for the funding and regulation of rail services**
Joanna Whittington, Chief Executive Officer, Office of Rail and Road
- 9.25 - 9.35 **The next steps for the UK's digital signalling system and further electrification of rail routes**
David Waboso, Managing Director, Group Digital Railway, Network Rail
- 9.35 - 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.00 - 10.30 **Developing an intelligent network: smart ticketing, data and online connectivity**
Steve Wakeland, Chief Executive Officer, ITSO
Brendan O'Reilly, Chief Technology Officer, O2
Senior representative, data
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.30 - 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Berkeley, Chairman, Rail Freight Group
- 10.35 - 10.55 Coffee
- 10.55 - 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.00 - 11.10 **Developing customer-focused rail infrastructure and expanding intermodal connectivity**
Rebeka Sellick, Director, SellickRail
- 11.10 - 11.20 **Priorities for regional transport governance and improving regional network connections**
Tim Wood, Northern Powerhouse Rail Director, Transport for the North
- 11.20 - 11.30 **Opportunities for national economic growth following recent Government investment into rail services**
Darren Caplan, Chief Executive, Railway Industry Association
- 11.30 - 11.45 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 - 12.30 **Priorities for meeting the demands of rail users**
With the upcoming UK-wide public 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
Russell Goodenough, Client Managing Director, Transport, Fujitsu
Mark Whitehouse, Managing Director, Virgin Trains
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **The next phase for the Government's rail strategy**
Senior speaker to be announced
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum