

**Policy Forum for London Keynote Seminar**  
**Next steps for growth in the Thames Estuary:**  
**infrastructure, delivery and developing key sectors**

*Timing: Morning, Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2018*

*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 - 9.25 **Priorities for unlocking economic growth in the Thames Estuary**  
**Professor Tony Travers**, Director, Institute of Public Affairs and Professor, Department of Government, London School of Economics and Political Science
- 9.25 - 10.05 **Key steps for making the Thames Estuary a centre of excellence**
- Growth and the role of local authorities*  
**Paul Moore**, Director, Place, Communities and Infrastructure, London Borough of Bexley
- Equipping workers with the right skills*  
**Alistair Gale**, Director of Corporate Affairs and Strategy, Port of London Authority
- Case study: developing a creative industries hub*  
Senior speaker confirmed from **Arts Council England**
- Extending the benefits to the whole of the South East*  
**Christian Brodie**, Chair, South East Local Enterprise Partnership
- 10.05 - 10.35 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 - 10.40 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Teresa Pearce MP**
- 10.40 - 11.10 Coffee
- 11.10 - 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Sir David Amess MP**
- 11.15 - 11.55 **Infrastructure, community development and utilising the river**
- Increasing connectivity to the Thames Estuary*  
**Councillor Andrew Bowles**, Leader, Swale Borough Council; Vice Chairman, Thames Gateway Kent Partnership and Member, Kent County Council
- Progress on new river crossings*  
Senior representative, road
- Developing communities and the potential for housing deals*  
Senior representative, housing
- Unlocking the Thames Gateway - utilising the river for economic development*  
**Richard Longman**, Head of Policy, Thames Gateway Kent Partnership
- 11.55 - 12.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 - 12.55 **Next steps for delivering the Thames Estuary 2050 Growth Commission recommendations**  
**Hannah Rignell**, Deputy Head, London and 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**  
**Sir David Amess MP**  
**Sam Dolton**, Senior Producer, Policy Forum for London