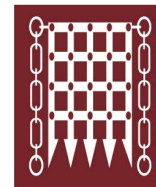


Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar
Priorities for transport in the North of England: economic growth, regional regeneration and the Strategic Transport Plan

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 4th December 2018

Venue: Central Manchester



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 - 9.30 **Government priorities for transport infrastructure in the North of England**
Dr Cathy Miller, Deputy Director, North and Devolution Division, Department for Transport
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 - 9.55 **The role of Metro Mayors in developing trans-city links**
Senior speaker to be announced
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.55 - 10.45 **Expanding transport services and operations: user priorities, planning challenges and regional regeneration**
Sarah Longlands, Director, IPPR North
Elizabeth De Jong, Director of Policy, Freight Transport Association
David Sidebottom, Passenger Director, Transport Focus
Senior speaker confirmed from **Burges Salmon**
Senior representative, local authority
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 - 10.50 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.50 - 11.15 Coffee
- 11.15 - 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Rosser, Shadow Spokesperson, Transport and Home Affairs
- Connecting the North domestically and internationally**
- 11.20 - 11.30 *The economic impact of transport development in the North*
Senior representative, business
- 11.30 - 11.40 *Improving East-West rail connectivity: capacity, efficiency and delivery*
Graham Botham, Strategy and Planning Director, North, Network Rail
- 11.40 - 11.50 *The future for road networks across the North*
Mahmood Azam, Head of Network Strategy and Development, Highways England
- 11.50 - 12.00 *Opportunities for developing port infrastructure and growing the regional economy*
Senior representative, ports
- 12.00 - 12.10 *Tackling the challenges for infrastructure delivery: future-proofing, scheduling and value for money*
Senior representative, construction
- 12.10 - 12.30 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **Next steps for delivering the Strategic Transport Plan**
Jonathan Spruce, Interim Strategy Director, Transport for the North
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Lord Rosser, Shadow Spokesperson, Transport and Home Affairs
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum