

**Westminster Social Policy Forum keynote seminar:
Next steps for the Oxford to Cambridge pan-regional partnership**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 4th June 2024

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Lansley
- 9.05 **Next steps for the Oxford to Cambridge region - strengthening the region's capabilities, and fostering regional development**
Dipesh Shah, Independent Chair, Oxford to Cambridge Partnership
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Priorities for pan-regional development**
initiatives and strategies for developing a sustainable economy | innovation and technology | unlocking investment | promoting global position of the region
Duncan McCunn, CEO, Cambridge&
Dan Thorp, CEO, Cambridge Ahead
Senior academic
Senior representative, local authority
Senior representative, business
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 **Putting in place the enablers of regional growth**
Senior representative, skills
Senior representative, local authority
Senior representative, university
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.05 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Lansley
- 11.10 Break
- 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.25 **The future of the East-West rail project and proposals for regional connectivity**
Senior representative, transport
- 11.35 **Next steps for regional development, infrastructure and the environment**
harnessing innovation and technology | enhancing transport and infrastructure to improve regional connectivity | fostering collaboration to achieve better outcomes for communities and the housing sector
Bill Cotton, Corporate Director, Environment and Place, Oxfordshire County Council
David Bainbridge, Director, Planning, Savills
Senior representative, water management
Senior representative, housing
Senior representative, communities
- 12.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for the Oxford to Cambridge region**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Social Policy Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Westminster Social Policy Forum