

Policy Forum for Wales Keynote Seminar: Priorities for the future of infrastructure in Wales

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 8th March 2017

Venue: Park Inn Hotel, Mary Ann Street, Cardiff CF10 2JH



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Russell George AM, Chair, Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee
- 9.05 - 9.35 **Policy priorities for the future of infrastructure in Wales**
Ken Skates AM, Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Infrastructure, Welsh Government
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 - 9.55 **Progress on the Wales Infrastructure Investment Plan: current state of Wales' infrastructure and future challenges**
Bridget Rosewell, Commissioner, National Infrastructure Commission
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.55 - 10.05 **What infrastructure does Wales need to create 'Vibrant and Viable Places'?**
Clarissa Corbisiero-Peters, Director of Policy and Deputy Chief Executive, Community Housing Cymru
- 10.05 - 10.55 **The foundations for an innovative, sustainable and growing economy: key priorities for Wales' infrastructure**
Edward Hunt, Director, Next Generation Access for Wales and West of England, BT Group
Mike Pedley, Head of Energy, Welsh Water
Professor John Hughes, Chairman, M-SParc and Vice-Chancellor, Bangor University
Colin Brew, Chief Executive Officer, North Wales Chamber of Commerce
Rhodri-Gwynn Jones, Chair, Constructing Excellence in Wales
Questions and comments from the floor with **Clarissa Corbisiero-Peters**, Director of Policy and Deputy Chief Executive, Community Housing Cymru
- 10.55 - 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**
Russell George AM, Chair, Economy, Infrastructure and Skills Committee
- 11.00 - 11.25 Coffee
- 11.25 - 11.40 **Opening remarks and funding infrastructure and regeneration in a post-EU economy**
Jill Evans MEP, Member, Welsh Government European Advisory Group
- 11.40 - 11.50 **Supporting the development of infrastructure through the planning system**
Tony Thickett, Director of Wales, Planning Inspectorate
- 11.50 - 12.05 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.05 - 12.55 **Getting infrastructure projects off the ground: the new planning system, skills and attracting investment**
Roger Tanner, Spokesperson on Transport, Cardiff Civic Society
Tim London, Principal Associate, Eversheds Sutherland
Richard Selby, Director, Pro Steel Engineering
Kate Jones, Senior Associate, Pinsent Masons
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Wales closing remarks**
Jill Evans MEP, Member, Welsh Government European Advisory Group
Peter van Gelder, Director, Policy Forum for Wales