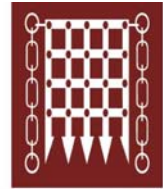


**Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar**  
**Developing the UK rail network - HS2, infrastructure and investment**

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015

Venue: Royal College of Surgeons of England, 35-43 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PE



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Kelvin Hopkins MP**, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Rail Group
- 9.05 - 9.15 **UK rail - competition, contracts and setting out a future roadmap**  
**Professor Chris Nash**, Research Professor, Institute for Transport Studies, University of Leeds
- 9.15 - 9.25 **Regulating the network: safety, customers, and finance**  
**Richard Price**, Chief Executive, Office of Rail Regulation
- 9.25 - 9.35 **Securing a fair deal for passengers**  
**David Sidebottom**, Passenger Director, Passenger Focus
- 9.35 - 9.50 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.50 - 10.00 **Building rail infrastructure for future demand**  
**Chris Dulake**, Chief Engineer, Crossrail
- 10.00 - 10.10 **UK freight: emissions, haulage and intermodal transportation**  
**Jim Macfadyen**, Engineering and Strategy Director, GB Railfreight
- 10.10 - 10.20 **Sustainably Maintaining the Rail Infrastructure**  
**Ben Edwards**, Director, Route Asset Management, Network Rail
- 10.20 - 10.35 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 - 11.00 **Next steps for franchising - policy and implementation**  
**Clare Moriarty**, Director General, Rail Executive, Department for Transport  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 - 11.05 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Kelvin Hopkins MP**, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Rail Group
- 11.05 - 11.35 Coffee
- 11.35 - 11.40 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Graham Evans MP**, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for High Speed Rail
- 11.40 - 12.05 **Delivering HS2 - challenges and priorities**  
**Professor Andrew McNaughton**, Technical Director, HS2  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.05 - 12.55 **Developing High Speed Rail in the UK - regeneration, planning and progress on Phase 2**  
*Perspectives on the latest and future estimates of the economic costs and benefits of HS2 in light of the Government response to the "HS2 Growth Taskforce" report. With full business cases for both Phase 1 and the next 12 months due in Autumn 2014, how should challenges including supply chain management and maximising industry cooperation across each stage of development be addressed? Are there further measures Government could take in order to reduce overall costs of the HS2 project? How effective are the "rent back" and upgraded compensation schemes for homeowners who are adversely affected by the planned route and in what ways can HS2 improve its community engagement moving forward? How well are issues raised in consultations on Phase 2 - both the Eastern and Western leg - including local authority concerns and potential regeneration sites, such as Birmingham Curzon HS2 station, being dealt with? What prospects are there for further High Speed Rail development in the UK, such as the recently proposed HS3 cross-Pennines route and a suggested HS2 route to Scotland?*  
**James Rowntree**, Managing Director - Transportation Europe, CH2M Hill  
**Ralph Smyth**, Transport Campaign Manager and Barrister, Campaign to Protect Rural England  
**Waheed Nazir**, Director of Planning and Regeneration, Birmingham City Council  
**Nicholas Evans**, Partner & Parliamentary Agent, Bircham Dyson Bell  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**  
**Graham Evans MP**, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for High Speed Rail  
**Michael Ryan**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum