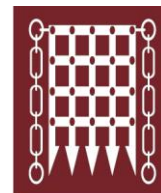


## Westminster eForum policy conference

### Next steps for delivering gigabit-capable broadband - rollout and reach targets, regulation, investment, competition, customer uptake, and economic impact

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Kevin Hollinrake MP, Vice Chair, Parliamentary Internet, Communications and Technology Forum
- 9.05 **Progress in delivering gigabit-capable broadband across the UK, key issues, and options going forward**  
Dr Matt Yardley, Managing Partner, Analysys Mason
- 9.15 **Addressing practical challenges for meeting the Government's rollout target - planning, infrastructure, and improving connectivity for hard-to-reach areas**  
Professor Jason Whalley, Lecturer in Telecommunications, Newcastle Business School, Northumbria University  
Catherine Colloms, MD of Corporate Affairs & Brand, Openreach  
Rajesh Sennik, Partner, Value Creation Practice Lead, KPMG UK  
Alex Blowers, Director, Regulatory Affairs, CityFibre  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.05 Break
- 10.10 **Priorities for fostering competition and investment, and delivering gigabit broadband to 85% of UK premises by 2025**  
David Clarkson, Director, Competition Policy, Ofcom  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Kevin Hollinrake MP, Vice Chair, Parliamentary Internet, Communications and Technology Forum
- 10.40 Break
- 10.50 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Selaine Saxby MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Broadband and Digital Communication
- 10.55 **Priorities for delivering gigabit capable and full-fibre broadband for homes and communities across all of the UK**  
Paul Norris, Executive Chair, Building Digital UK (BDUK), DCMS  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.20 **Improving customer take-up of full-fibre broadband - innovation in service offerings, demonstrating benefit, affordability and social tariffs, marketing clarity and transparency, and supporting consumer choice and switching**  
Cllr Peter Wharf, Deputy Leader, Dorset Council  
Rocio Concha Galguera, Director, Policy and Advocacy, and Chief Economist, Which?  
Senior representative confirmed from TalkTalk  
Senior representative, legal  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 Break
- 12.30 **Broadband as part of the next National Infrastructure Assessment and facilitating the development of telecoms infrastructure to support long-term growth**  
James Heath, Chief Executive Officer, National Infrastructure Commission  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster eForum closing remarks**  
Selaine Saxby MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Broadband and Digital Communication  
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Westminster eForum