

**Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference**  
**Next steps for major infrastructure projects in the UK**

*Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> January 2021*

**\*\*\*Taking Place Online\*\*\***



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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Lord Berkeley**, Officer, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Infrastructure
- 9.05 **Priorities for infrastructure delivery - identifying effective projects and supporting economic recovery**  
**Huda As'ad**, Head of Performance, Infrastructure and Projects Authority  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.40 Break
- 9.50 **Developing a long-term plan for national infrastructure development and tackling delivery barriers**  
  
*Getting supply chains moving and unlocking progress towards shovel ready projects - fostering local developer demand, financial sustainability, and the foundation for sector recovery*  
**Alasdair Reisner**, Chief Executive, Civil Engineering Contractors Association  
  
*Designing a planning system for efficient project delivery - reducing delivery barriers, facilitating faster permissions, and strengthening powers to encourage development*  
**Dr Pauleen Lane**, Professional lead for Infrastructure, Planning Inspectorate  
  
*Overcoming barriers to civil infrastructure projects and delivering UK-wide benefits - funding security, working within timelines, and developing key regional infrastructure*  
**Mark Southwell**, Managing Director, Civil Infrastructure, UK&I, AECOM  
  
*Examining best practice for accelerating the approval of major projects in the UK and working within the regulatory framework*  
**Liz Dunn**, Partner, Burges Salmon  
  
*Developing green infrastructure to support growth and progress towards reaching net zero by 2050*  
**Claire Wansbury**, Associate Director of Ecology, Atkins
- 10.40 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.15 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Lord Berkeley**, Officer, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Infrastructure
- 11.20 Break
- 11.30 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Baroness Neville-Rolfe**, former Minister of State, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy  
  
**Supporting activity across key sectors, delivering major projects and supporting economic growth**
- 11.35 *'Investing in innovation and collaboration to deliver the outcomes that really count'*  
**Professor Denise Bower**, Executive Director External Engagement, Mott MacDonald
- 11.45 *Developing energy infrastructure to support growth - rolling out new generation capacity, and meeting decarbonisation targets*  
**Julia Pyke**, Director, Financing and Economic Regulation for Sizewell C, EDF
- 11.55 Break
- 12.05 *'Moving to a multi-sector water supply infrastructure approach'*  
**Margaret Read**, Director, Stakeholders and Programme, RAPID
- 12.15 *Expanding transport infrastructure and capacity, increasing connectivity, and adapting to the demands of a changing society*  
**Graham Botham**, Strategy & Planning Director, Network Rail
- 12.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**

**Baroness Neville-Rolfe**, former Minister of State, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy  
**Jack Longman**, Senior Researcher, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum