

Westminster eForum policy conference
Next steps for developing the UK's drone sector

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Progress on the Air Traffic Management and Unmanned Aircraft Bill, and opportunities for establishing safe use of drone technology, and leading internationally on regulation setting and industry development**
Robert Courts MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Department for Transport
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 Break
- 9.40 **Reducing inappropriate use - assessing policy options for future enforcement power and safeguards**
Chief Inspector Simon Bachelor, Legislation and Policy Lead, Counter Drones, National Police Chiefs Council
- 9.50 **Adapting to increased drone use - modernising airspace management, coordinating operability alongside aviation, and refining systems to enable drone commerce and transport services**
Andrew McQuillan, Managing Director, Crowded Space Drones
Senior representative, airport
Senior representative, air traffic control
- 10.10 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.30 **Designing effective commercial models and integrating European drone regulation - standardising rules and regulation, and developing the underpinning insurance framework to support innovation**
Anne-Lise Scailierez, Partner, The Drone Office; and Director of ARPAS-UK, the UK Drone Association
Simon Phippard, Of Counsel, Aviation and Aerospace Practice, Bird and Bird
Tommy Wilson, Drone Partnerships Manager, Flock
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.10 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.15 Break
- 11.25 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.30 **Reducing barriers - commercialising materials and technology, harnessing location and geospatial data, developing business cases for asset management and utilities, and communicating cost-saving and efficiency opportunities**
Robert Garbett, Chief Executive Officer, Drone Major Group
Andrew Chadwick, Business Development Manager, Aviation Catapult
Rikke Carmichael, Head of Air Operations, Network Rail
Senior representative, energy utility
Senior representative, geospatial
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 Break
- 12.30 **Unlocking the potential of commercial drone operations in the UK and competing as a sector leader on the global stage**
Senior speaker confirmed from **BT**
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster eForum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Westminster eForum