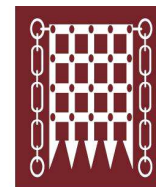


**Westminster Social Policy Forum Keynote Seminar:
Next steps for the Northern Powerhouse - investment, infrastructure and economic growth**

Timing: Morning, Friday, 26th October 2018

Venue: Renaissance Marriott, Blackfriars Street, Manchester M3 2EQ

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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Kevin Hollinrake MP, Member of Parliament for Thirsk and Malton and Co-Chair,
Northern Powerhouse All-Party Parliamentary Group
- 9.05 - 9.15 **Progress on devolution and growing the economy in the North of England**
Henri Murison, Director, Northern Powerhouse Partnership
- 9.15 - 9.35 **Driving investment in the Northern Powerhouse**
Sue Barnard, Senior Relationship Manager, British Business Bank

Martin Phelan, Director, Northern Powerhouse Investment Hub, Department for International Trade
- 9.35 - 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor with **Henri Murison**, Director, Northern Powerhouse Partnership

Developing infrastructure to support economic growth - transport, place and the environment
- 10.00 - 10.10 **Barry White**, Chief Executive, Transport for the North
- 10.10 - 10.20 **Graham Sant**, Managing Director, Infrastructure Projects, Capita
- 10.20 - 10.30 **Graham Botham**, Strategy and Planning Director (North), Network Rail
- 10.30 - 11.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 - 11.05 **Chair's closing remarks**
Kevin Hollinrake MP, Member of Parliament for Thirsk and Malton and Co-Chair,
Northern Powerhouse All-Party Parliamentary Group
- 11.05 - 11.35 Coffee
- 11.35 - 11.40 **Chair's opening remarks**
Julie Elliott MP, Member of Parliament for Sunderland Central and Co-Chair,
Northern Powerhouse All-Party Parliamentary Group
- 11.40 - 11.50 **Innovation, growth and the role of universities**
Professor Dame Nancy Rothwell, President and Vice-Chancellor, University of Manchester
- 11.50 - 12.00 **Linking economic growth across the North**
Christine Gaskell, Chair, Cheshire and Warrington Local Enterprise Partnership and Vice-Chair, NP11
- 12.00 - 12.10 **Key issues for business in enabling local economic growth**
Justin Kelly, Director, Corporate Communications and Business Development, Siemens and Board Member,
Northern Powerhouse Partnership
- 12.10 - 12.35 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.35 - 12.55 **Priorities for policy, the way forward for boosting regional economic growth and the future for regional funding post-Brexit**
James Scott, Senior Policy Advisor, Cities and Local Growth Unit
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Social Policy Forum closing remarks**
Julie Elliott MP, Member of Parliament for Sunderland Central and Co-Chair,
Northern Powerhouse All-Party Parliamentary Group
Stephanie Thomson, Senior Researcher, Westminster Social Policy Forum