

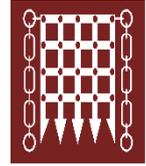
**Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference:**

**Next steps for zero emission vehicles in the UK**

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Assessing next steps for the transition to zero emission vehicles - key findings from the Transport Committee**  
**Ruth Cadbury MP**, Chair, Transport Committee  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Increasing uptake and assessing progress in delivering the ZEV 2030 Mandate**  
*implications of the 2030 phase-out | aligning with wider industrial and transport policy objectives | establishing certainty for producers and businesses regarding timescales and funding | incentives to encourage consumer ZEV uptake | the impact of regulatory adjustments to Vehicle Emissions Trading Schemes from January 2026 | regulatory flexibility for vans | supporting businesses with vehicle fleets through transition | ZEV pathways for HGVs, buses, coaches and specialised vehicles | ZEV policy in the devolved nations and areas of regional divergence*  
Senior representative, industry  
Senior representative, fleets  
Senior representative, legal  
Senior representative, consultancy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.15 **EU market development, regulatory shifts, and implications for UK policy**  
Senior representative, policy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.40 Break
- 10.50 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.55 **Priorities for UK ZEV manufacturing and the route to decarbonisation**  
Senior representative, manufacturer
- 11.05 **Scaling up UK manufacturing capacity and building a sustainable market for ZEVs - supply chain resilience, localisation, workforce and innovation**  
*scaling UK ZEV manufacturing capacity | implementing DRIVE35 and the Automotive Transformation Fund | supply chain resilience and localisation | frameworks for attracting and sustaining private investment | supporting industrial transition from Internal Combustion Engine production | workforce training and reskilling needs | interaction of the Electric Car Grant and fiscal measures | implications of Electric Vehicle Excise Duty reform | addressing information gaps and improving transparency on purchase and running costs | confidence, affordability and second-hand market development*  
**Steve Gooding**, Director, RAC Foundation  
**Graeme Purdy**, CEO, Ilika  
Senior representative, innovation  
Senior representative, investment  
Senior representative, workforce
- 11.30 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.55 **Rolling out charging infrastructure at scale - planning, grid capacity, and cost pressures**  
*developing a resilient public charging network | permitted development rights and planning reform | next steps for local authorities in the rollout of EV charge points | overcoming barriers such as grid capacity and cost pressures | impact on the grid | considerations for freight | ensuring alignment with wider transport decarbonisation plans and the consumer ZEV uptake trajectory | addressing cost concerns for motorway service areas, rural communities and private landlords | implications of the grant boost for the installation of EV chargers | coordinating national strategy whilst addressing concerns around regional inequalities | the role of smart charging in reducing peak demand and grid reinforcement costs*  
Senior representative, grid  
Senior representative, local authority  
Senior representative, home charge points  
Senior representative, freight
- 12.40 **The future of ZEV policy, targets and implementation in the UK**  
Senior representative, policy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 13.10 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Sean Cudmore**, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum