

## Westminster Health Forum policy conference

### Next steps for NHS estates - funding, infrastructure modernisation and optimisation, net-zero, and learning from the response to the pandemic

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Karin Smyth MP**
- 9.05 **Optimising the NHS estate - progress and remaining issues**  
**John Westwood**, Director of Asset Management, NHS Property Services  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 Break
- 9.35 **The role of the NHS estate in responding to the pandemic - provision of safe care to patients and COVID-free hubs, responding to demand, and the development of Nightingale hospitals**  
Senior representative, NHS  
Senior commentator  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.55 **Priorities for funding - investment allocation, NHS surplus land disposal, and assessing the scope for further efficiencies**  
**Ellen Vernon**, Programme Director, One Public Estate, North Devon District Council  
Senior representative, private finance  
Senior representative, NHS  
Senior commentator  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Effective public-private partnerships and key issues and opportunities going forward**  
**Dr Sue O'Connell**, Chief Executive, Community Health Partnerships  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Karin Smyth MP**
- 11.05 Break
- 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.20 **Improving environmental sustainability in the NHS estate and next steps for working towards net-zero targets**  
**Paul Graham**, Utilities, Waste & Sustainability Manager, Kingston Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
- 11.30 **Technology within the NHS estate - modernisation, improving integration and utilisation, maximising the contribution to better health outcomes, and lessons from COVID-19**  
Senior representative, technology
- 11.40 **Priorities for health infrastructure - identifying need, effective strategy formulation, efficient new development and delivery, and addressing variation**  
**Alex Solk**, Partner, Sheppard Robson  
**Tony Wells**, Managing Director, Merit  
Senior representative, NHS  
Senior representative, legal
- 12.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 Break
- 12.35 **Next steps for strategic estates policy**  
Senior speaker to be confirmed
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Michael Ryan**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Health Forum