## **Westminster Business Forum policy conference:**

## Next steps for the UK insurance sector - regulation, policy and market growth

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 14th October 2025

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8.30 Registration

9.00 Chair's opening remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

9.05 Assessing outcomes from the Financial Services Growth and Competitiveness Strategy and implications for the UK insurance market

Senior commentator

Questions and comments from the floor

9.30 Strengthening consumer outcomes and improving protection

Rocio Concha Galguera, Director, Policy and Advocacy, and Chief Economist, Which?

9:40 Priorities for market development, sector growth, safeguarding consumers, and regulatory reform

> implications of the Financial Services Growth and Competitiveness Strategy and wider Industrial Strategy | developing a UK captive insurance market and use of protected cell companies | reform of the Insurance Linked Securities framework and expanding access to capital markets | simplifying conduct rules, product governance and fair value requirements | addressing regulatory burden and ensuring proportionality for smaller firms | implications of FCA work on premium finance and pure protection markets | improving pricing transparency and fairness while supporting innovation and access | enabling export opportunities and building inter-market

Aaron Le Marguer, Partner and Head, Policyholder Disputes, Stewarts Law

Senior representative, insurance Senior representative, policyholder Senior representative, industry

10.05 Questions and comments from the floor

10.30 Consumer and conduct-focused regulation - supporting fairness and transparency

Caroline Gardner, Head, Insurance, Financial Conduct Authority

Questions and comments from the floor

10.55 Chair's closing remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

11.00 Break

11.10 Chair's opening remarks

Lord Hunt, Shadow Minister, Department for Business and Trade

11.15 The role of technology in enabling broader strategic goals - resilience, fraud detection, and competitiveness

Senior representative, innovation

11.30 Long-term resilience in the UK insurance sector - implementation of Solvency UK, risk management, and workforce development

implementation of Solvency UK and outcomes from the Life Insurance Stress Test | strengthening operational and cyber resilience across firms and supply chains | managing capital requirements and model validation within resource constraints | tackling fraud and economic crime, including implementation of the Economic Crime and Corporate Transparency Act 2023 | adoption of new technologies and AI, and supporting clarity and fairness in governance / workforce sustainability, skills development, inclusion and cultural change | attracting and retaining talent in the context of reputational challenges | role of innovation, start-ups and infrastructure renewal in supporting sector growth

Senior representative, resilience Senior representative, insurance Senior representative, SME Senior representative, sustainability

Senior representative, skills

12.00 Questions and comments from the floor

12.30 Next steps for advancing risk management and priorities for the continued implementation of Solvency UK

Senior representative, regulation

Questions and comments from the floor

12.55 Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks

Lord Hunt, Shadow Minister, Department for Business and Trade

Thomas Howard, Westminster Business Forum

