

Programme

Breakfast & Registration 0800 - 0830

Welcome to Leeds Cllr Judith Blake, Leader, Leeds City Council

0830 - 0840

Keynote Speakers

0840 - 0900

Senior stakeholders will set the tone for the conference, putting into perspective the massive impact HS2 will have on regional economies and how we must work collaboratively to deliver growth which integrates into existing communities.

Keynote 1

Allan Cook

Chairman, HS2

Keynote 2

Richard George

Independent Railway Expert, Sponsored by Atkins

Leeds – Developing For The Arrival of HS2

0900 - 1000

The host city is set to 'double in size' over the coming years aided by HS2. We'll hear from the major developers behind the massive projects transforming the city – including the Tetley's site and Kirkstall Forge – and how that'll aid growth across the wider Leeds region.

Chair: Simon Toplass, Chief Executive, PAGABO

Leeds City Council; Tom Riordan, Chief Executive

Town Centre Securities; Lynda Shillaw, Group Property Director

HS2 Ltd; Tim Smart, Head of Asset Planning and Strategic Management

University of Leeds; Prof Peter Woodward, Chair of High-Speed Rail

West Yorkshire Combined Authority; Liz Hunter, Head of Transport Policy

CYBG; Richard Gregory, Senior Advisor and Honorary Yorkshire Bank Chair

1000 - 1015 Break & Networking

London; An Update on Progress

1015 - 1045

The capital has two hubs – Euston and Old Oak & Park Royal – and these are set to deliver mass regeneration around their stations. Over 60,000 new homes are planned, new development zones will be unlocked and much more. We'll hear from those behind the projects on timeframes and procurement opportunities.

Lendlease; Bek Seeley, Chief Operating Officer

HS2 Ltd; Mark Witham, Head of Commercial Development

Is the West Midlands Ready For HS2?

1045 - 1145

The first region to see the arrival of HS2 will be the West Midlands. The Interchange at Solihull and the new Curzon Station are under development and its driving an incredible increase in inward investment to the region. We'll hear about their plans, how HS2 will integrate with surrounding regions and what still needs to be done.

Chair: Homes England; Sarah Taylor, Senior Land Specialist

Midlands Connect; Maria Machancoses, Programme Director

NEC Group; Tony Williamson, Group Operations Director

Urban Growth Company; Jonathan Bretherton, Managing Director

Arden Cross; Ben Gray, Project Director

West Midlands HS2 Growth Delivery Board; Steve Hollis, Chair

HS2 Ltd; Mike Lyons, West Midlands Programme Director

1145 - 1200 Break & Networking

East Midlands – Connecting the South with the North

1200 - 1300

The new station at Toton will create an incredible new community in the East Midlands, one which will house higher education institutions, research hubs, new homes and more. The mass development around Toton will also see to connect to major cities such as Leicester, Derby and Nottingham in close proximity.

Toton Delivery Board; Cllr Kay Cutts, Chair

St James Securities; Paul Morris, Director

Nottingham Trent University; Prof Nigel Wright, Deputy Vice-Chancellor

Homes England; Sarah Taylor, Senior Land Specialist & Karl Tupling, Director of Markets, Partners and Places

HS2 Ltd; Leonie Dubois, Head of Consultation and Engagement – Phase B

East Midlands Councils; Andrew Pritchard, Director of Policy and Infrastructure

1300 - 1345 Lunch & Networking

The North West – Developing For The Arrival of HS2

1345 - 1445

Crewe and Manchester are the two proposed North West stations – with the possibility of extending Manchester's hub to Manchester Airport. We'll hear from those at the forefront of the strategic masterplans and also private sector firms actively developing and accelerating projects due to the arrival of HS2.

Chair: Gregg Barton, Account Leader, Mott MacDonald

CERT Property; Howard Lord, Managing Director

Manchester City Council; Sir Richard Leese, Leader

Bruntwood; Rob Valentine, Director

City of Bradford MDC; Joanne Hyde, Strategic Director of Corporate Services

HS2; Lorna Pimlott, Director of Sponsorship and Policy Phase 2

Tatton Group; Henry Brooks, Managing Director

1445 - 1500 Break & Networking

Northern Powerhouse Rail

1500 - 1545

Northern Powerhouse Rail/HS3 is yet again at the forefront the national conscience with many commentators pressing for prioritisation. Our panel of experts from across the Northern Powerhouse spectrum give delegates an update on progress.

Chair: Atkins; Tom Meacock, Client Director, Strategic Rail

Cheshire & Warrington LEP; Christine Gaskell CBE DL, Chair

Northern Powerhouse Partnership; Henri Murison, Director

Vastint; Andrew Cobden, Managing Director

North East Combined Authority; Martin Gannon, Transport Lead

HS2 Ltd; Conrad Jones, Area Manager Phase 2b

Sheffield – The Steel City & HS2's Impact

1545 - 1645

Our last session will hear from Sheffield – who have been quoted as saying inward investment conversations are at an all time high, which is aided by HS2.

Sheffield and Rotherham city centres are being transformed, new tram connectivity is aiding growth, the two universities are thriving, and firms like Boeing and McLaren have made a base in Sheffield. We'll hear about the future plans...

Chair: PBA, now part of Stantec; Harriet Chapman, Director of Transport

National College for High Speed Rail; Miranda Coles, Director of Finance

AMRC; Ben Morgan, Director

Sheffield Olympic Legacy Park; Rt Hon. Richard Caborn, Chief Executive

Harworth Group; Iain Thomson, Head of Investor Relations and Communications

HS2 Ltd; Liam Brooker, Project Sponsor – Phase 2b

1645 - 1700 Conference Close