

Programme

Breakfast & Registration 0800 - 0900

Keynote Speakers

0900 - 0930

Senior figures leading the future vision for West Yorkshire will open the conference, setting the tone as to why the region is such an attractive location whilst sharing exclusive insights into future growth strategy and the importance of West Yorkshire to the wider UK economy.

Keynote 1

West Yorkshire Combined Authority
Susan Hinchcliffe

Keynote 2

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TBC

Keynote 3

Corporate Partner

Session 1: Yorkshire; The state of the market

0930 - 1030

Our first session will comprise of leaders from both the public and private sectors who will highlight the potential for the region, celebrating successes which have happened over the past 12 months and how they'll aid further growth, whilst looking at the general state of the market and the opportunities presenting themselves.

Chair: Cllr Susan Hinchcliffe, Chair, West Yorkshire Combined Authority

Caddick Group & MODA Living (Johnny Caddick, Director)

Welcome To Yorkshire (Peter Dodd, Commercial Director)

Office for Students (Nicola Turner, Head of Sector Practice)

MEPC (Paul Pavia, Head of Development)

Yorkshire Water (Nevil Muncaster, Director of Asset Management)

1030 - 1100 Break & Networking

Session 2: Infrastructure; Its role in driving economic growth

1100 - 1215

Infrastructure is crucial in driving economic growth and Yorkshire is going through an exciting period. In terms of physical infrastructure, the arrival of HS2 and Northern Powerhouse agenda, in addition to improvements and new train stations, are causing big waves for inward investors and we'll be hearing from some of those who're leading regional infrastructure plans – including digital and utilities.

Transport for the North (Owen Wilson, Major Roads & Strategy Manager)

Highways England (Antony Firth, Head of Planning, Development and Operations)

Network Rail (Paul McKeown, Investment Director)

Sustrans (Rosslyn Colderly, Director for the North)

West Yorkshire Combined Authority (Cllr Kim Groves, Chair - Transport Committee)*

Railfuture (Nina Smith, Chair)

1215 - 1245 Lunch & Networking

Session 3: Digital Connectivity; innovation and growth

1245 - 1330

Sponsored by CityFibre this session will offer a glimpse into the future, with leading digital experts sharing insights into how digital infrastructure will be crucial to underpinning future development in West Yorkshire – and key considerations the supply chain should be making when tendering for work.

Chair: Steve Moore, City Manager, CityFibre

Leeds City Council (Cllr James Lewis, Deputy Leader)

Leeds Digital Festival (Stuart Clarke, Director)

University of Huddersfield (Professor Liz Town-Andrews)

Speaker 4 - TBC

Session 4: Housing; Accelerating new housing across West Yorkshire

1330 - 1430

Some of the leading public sector authorities will share details on their housing masterplans as they look to boost housing numbers across the region – with new development sites set to be unveiled. We'll also hear from the major housebuilders themselves who're leading the charge to develop those new properties. We'll also delve into the challenges and opportunities from building in Yorkshire.

Chair: Pegasus Group

Kirklees Council (Naz Parkar, Director of Housing)

Connect Housing (Helen Lennon, Chief Executive)

Conroy Brook (Richard Conroy, Chief Executive Officer)

Wakefield Council (Tom Stannard, Corporate Director - Regeneration & Economic Growth)

Redrow Homes (Sarah Carr, Planning Director)*

Homes England (Dilys Jones, Head of Home Ownership & Supply for North East Yorkshire & The Humber)

1430 - 1445 Break & Networking

Session 5: Placemaking; Developers & major development plans

1445 - 1615

The biggest schemes and projects set to happen within Leeds and the wider West Yorkshire region will be the main focus of the session – as we hear about huge regeneration and development projects which are essential in driving jobs, homes and economic growth within Yorkshire. We'll be finding out how these schemes will then integrate into the existing communities and how the new areas will help the cities of Yorkshire thrive.

Town Centre Securities (Linda Shillaw, Property Director)*

Fallons / Future Park (Sean Fallon, Co-Founder & Managing Director)

Artisan Real Estate (Clive Wilding, Property Director)

Leeds City Council (Angela Barnicle, Chief Officer – Asset Management & Regeneration)

Wakefield District Housing (Andrew Wallhead, Director of Investment)

1615 - 1630 - Conference Summary & Conference Close

Invited*