

Programme

Breakfast & Registration 0800 - 0830

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

Cllr Judith Blake
Leader, Leeds City Council*

Keynote 3

Corporate Partner

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

Vastint; Andrew Cobden, Managing Director

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

CEG; David Hodgson, Head of Strategic Developments

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

Argent; Andre Gibbs, Partner

Speaker 3 – TBC

Speaker 4 – TBC

Is Birmingham 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.

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

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

East Midlands Councils; Stuart Young, Executive Director for Economy & Development

Derby-Nottingham Metro Board; David Williams, Chair

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.

Constellation Partnership; Rachel Bailey, Chair

CERT Property; Howard Lord, Managing Director

Cheshire & Warrington LEP; Christine Gaskell, Chair

Manchester City Council; Sir Richard Leese, Leader

Speaker 5 – TBC

1445 - 1500 Break & Networking

Northern Powerhouse Rail

1500 - 1530

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.

West Yorkshire Combined Authority; Cllr Susan Hinchcliffe, Chair*

Transport for the North; Barry White, Chief Executive*

Northern Powerhouse Partnership; Henri Murison, Director*

Speaker 4 – TBC

Speaker 5 – TBC

Sheffield – The Steel City & HS2's Impact

1530 - 1630

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...

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; Owen Michaelson, Chief Executive

1630 - 1700 Conference Close