

Scotland Policy Conferences keynote seminar
The new National Transport Strategy (NTS2) - assessing the strategy and addressing the challenges for implementation

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 26th November 2020

Taking Place Online



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Edward Mountain MSP, Convener, Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee
- 9.05 **The NTS2 and next steps for meeting key objectives - transport modernisation, design of projects, and achieving inclusivity and growth**
Alison Irvine, Director, Transport Strategy and Analysis, Transport Scotland
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 Break
- 9.35 **Applying the Strategy locally - engagement with passengers and the needs of rural communities, regional connectivity, and delivering safe services during the COVID-19 crisis**
Rachael Murphy, Director for Scotland, Community Transport Association
Ronald Robertson, Partnership Director, Highlands and Islands Transport Partnership
John Dowie, Director, Local Strategies, First Group
Professor Adrian Davis, Professor of Transport & Health, Edinburgh Napier University
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 **Placing the environment at the centre of transport planning - emissions, air quality, and preserving landscapes**
Dr David Connolly, Member, Environment Protection Scotland Air Quality Expert Advisory Group; and Director, Technical Development, SYSTRA
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**
Edward Mountain MSP, Convener, Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee
- 10.50 Break
- 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Richard Lyle MSP, Member, Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee
- 11.05 **Priorities for tackling the delivery challenges for new transport infrastructure in Scotland**
'Towards net zero transport infrastructure: to build or not to build?'
Rachel Skinner, Executive Director, WSP; President, Institution of Civil Engineers; and Infrastructure Commissioner for Scotland
Planning for future transport needs, tackling congestion, and ensuring transport networks are fit for purpose in cities and other built environments
Councillor Martin Bartos, Chair, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport
Preparing Scotland for electric vehicles capacity - rolling out charging capabilities, connection to the grid, and ensuring rural regions are not left behind
Robin Presswood, Executive Director of City Development, Dundee City Council
Incorporating best practice in the delivery of transport projects, and working with the policy and regulatory framework
Eleanor Lane, Partner, Infrastructure & Projects Team, CMS UK
- 11.45 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.10 Break
- 12.15 **Expanding healthy forms of transport and improving health and wellbeing throughout Scotland**
Frank Toner, Policy and Public Affairs Officer, British Lung Foundation
Stuart Sneddon, Air Quality Business Manager Scotland, Ricardo
John Lauder, Deputy Chief Executive, Sustrans
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Scotland Policy Conferences closing remarks**
Richard Lyle MSP, Member, Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Scotland Policy Conferences