

SMART TRANSPORT CONFERENCE

30 November 2021 | etc.venues County Hall, London

2021 Agenda

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Tuesday 30th November 2021

Morning Sessions	08:45 – 09:15	Registration, exhibition, and refreshments
	09:15 – 09:25	Opening statement & welcome to the Smart Transport Conference Stephen Joseph OBE , chair, Smart Transport
	09:25 – 09:45	Navigating the Government pathway to net zero As the UK's largest emitter of greenhouse gases, the transport sector has a fundamental role to play in achieving net zero emissions by 2050. But how exactly will all modes of transport be decarbonised in that timeframe? This session will give an overview of Government policy and next steps, including any implications from commitments agreed at COP26.
	09:45 – 10:05	The cost of achieving net zero The Treasury is conducting its net zero review into the cost of achieving carbon neutrality but what do the numbers look like? This session will consider potential changes to taxation and the implications for transport operators and the general public. It will also consider the cost of not achieving net zero.
	10:05 – 10:25	Decarbonising transport: is the Government doing enough? In the aftermath of COP26, Lord Deben, chairman of the Climate Change Committee (CCC) and former secretary of state for the environment, will assess the progress made so far to reduce emissions from transport and ask whether the UK is taking action quickly enough to meet its climate commitments. Lord Deben , chairman of the Climate Change Committee
	10:25 – 10:50	Q&A session

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		Breakout 1: Decarbonising freight and logistics: solutions for today and tomorrow	Breakout 2: Funding requirements for a viable local transport plan	Breakout 3: E-scooters: a micromobility solution?	Breakout 4: Building a fit for purpose charging infrastructure
Breakout seminars	11:20 – 11:35	What challenges need to be overcome to meet the Government's plan to end the sale of all non-zero emission HGVs in the UK by 2040? What solutions are available now to decarbonise freight and how can the sector achieve long term modal shift?	The Government's transport decarbonisation plan has made it a requirement for local transport plans to have quantifiable carbon reduction targets to secure funding. What impact will this have and what other funding streams are available at a local level for transport? This session will identify the gaps and assess what the private sector can do to support cities' investment plans, including any revenue sharing opportunities.	Trials of rental e-scooters are currently taking place across 32 areas in England, but privately-owned e-scooters are not yet legal on public roads. In this session, speakers will discuss the lessons being learnt from the trials, research into the safety of private use and how e-scooters and other forms of shared micromobility can contribute to transport decarbonisation.	How can the UK ensure it has a fit for purpose charging network for the adoption of electric and hydrogen vehicles? The session will debate the key criteria, including the number, placing and speed of charging points, the importance of network reliability and ease of use, how workplace, public and home charging need to work together, and investment requirements, especially for hydrogen which is a long way behind electric.
	11:35 – 11:50				
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	<p>Ed Clarke, vice-president ground operations UK, FedEx Express</p> <p>Philip Fjeld, CEO, CNG Fuels</p>	<p>Jessica Matthew, co-director, local, Department for Transport</p> <p>Anne Shaw, TfWM Interim managing director of Transport for West Midlands</p> <p>Tim Senior, managing director, specialised and asset finance, Macquarie</p>	<p>Helen Sharp, e-scooter trial lead, Transport for London</p> <p>David G Davies, executive director and Margaret Winchcomb, senior research and policy officer, Parliamentary Advisory Council for Transport (PACTS)</p>	<p>Jason Simpson, vice-president Energy and eMobility Ventures, Liberty Global</p> <p>Oliver Johnson, UK lead electrification, ABB</p>
12:05 – 12:30	Q&A session			
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch, exhibition, and refreshments			

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		Breakout 5: Travel planning for changing commuting, business, and leisure habits	Breakout 6: Technology and innovation	Breakout 7: Winning public hearts and minds for low carbon urban travel choices	Breakout 8: The evolution of vehicles and roads as a zero-emission solution
Breakout seminars	13:30 - 13:45	How can Government and businesses work together to help employees switch to lower carbon commuting options, such as electric, public transport, active travel and car sharing? Find out in this session as presenters consider the latest forecasts on travel patterns post-pandemic and how businesses and transport operators can plan their response.	Where next for technology and innovation in transport? How can bright ideas be brought to reality and implemented? This session will look at innovation and how it can lead to real change. Isobel Pastor , head of the Centre for Connected and Autonomous Vehicles	Cities are undergoing a transport revolution with decarbonisation initiatives such as new cycling infrastructure, low traffic neighbourhoods and clean air/zero emission zones, as well as a need to persuade the public back onto trains and buses. How can authorities successfully engage local communities to win their support and ensure they choose these options? The session will provide the answers to the question: what will motivate people to change their travel choices?	The development of electric and autonomous vehicles will dramatically change how roads are used. This session will reveal how vehicles will evolve over the next decade and what that means for the road infrastructure and road space in order to meet the Government's pledge to reduce urban traffic. Elliot Shaw , executive director, National Highways
	13:45 - 14:00				
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			<p>Anthony Smith, chief executive, Transport Focus</p> <p>Martin Howell, director, transport markets, UK&I, Worldline</p>	
14:15 - 14:40	Q&A session			
14:40 - 15:10	Networking, exhibition, and refreshments			

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Afternoon Sessions	15:10 – 15:25	<p>Case study: putting equality at the heart of local transport policy</p> <p>The Mayor of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, Dr Nik Johnson, will explain how the combined authority's new transport plan will prioritise 'left behind' communities, tackle inequalities and accelerate carbon reduction. He will also discuss the funding mechanisms for the transport strategy and how the private sector may be able to support this.</p> <p>Nik Johnson, mayor, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority</p>
	15:25 – 15:40	<p>COP26: environmental flop or climate game-changer?</p> <p>What will COP26 do for transport in UK cities? What are the commitments and how might they affect current Government thinking and speed of change?</p> <p>Polly Billington, director, UK100</p>
	15:40 – 15:55	<p>Transport: the way forward</p> <p>What are the future challenges and opportunities in transport? What industry developments are key to transport's future success and how can the UK learn from overseas when planning for the future?</p>
	15:55 – 16:20	<p>Q&A session</p>
	16:20 – 16:30	<p>Closing statement</p> <p>Stephen Joseph OBE, chair, Smart Transport</p>
	16:30 – 17:00	<p>Networking, exhibition, and refreshments</p>