

## Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference:

### Next steps for active travel in England

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **'Why 2025 is the most important year for active travel in this parliament'**  
**Stephen Frost**, Principal Research Fellow and Co-Head, Transport Policy, Institute for Public Policy Research
- 9.15 **Key considerations for delivering benefits of active travel - targets, funding and public engagement**  
**Jonny Mood**, Director, Transport Value for Money, National Audit Office
- 9.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.45 **Devolution and the way forward for regional active travel policies**  
Senior representative, combined authority
- 9.55 **Next steps for investment, planning and rolling out infrastructure to encourage active travel uptake**  
*assessing Budget commitments | strategic direction of funding | addressing concerns about perceived historical underinvestment in active travel | addressing regional disparities in active travel investment | improving consistency of delivery | the place of active travel in the Government's Integrated National Transport Strategy | future role of low traffic neighbourhoods*  
Senior representative, urban planning  
Senior representative, integrated transport  
Senior representative, infrastructure  
Senior representative, investment  
Senior representative, low traffic neighbourhood
- 10.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.50 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.55 Break
- 11.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.10 **The future relationship between modes of active travel and the wider road network**  
*the future of the National Cycle Network | improving the integration of cycling and walking routes | ensuring fair access for road users and pedestrians | encouraging modal shift towards cycling and walking | tackling safety concerns, public messaging, and increasing the appeal of active travel*  
Senior representative, active travel  
Senior representative, local authority  
Senior representative, public messaging  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 **Strategies for advancing the contribution of active travel to wider societal aims**  
*public health | decarbonisation | reducing social and economic inequalities | improving access for women and those with disabilities | priorities for funding, support and implementation*  
Senior representative, health  
Senior representative, transport decarbonisation  
Senior commentator  
Senior representative, local authority  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for active travel in England moving forward**  
Senior representative, policy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Sean Cudmore**, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum