

**Policy Forum for Ireland keynote seminar:
Next steps for the transport sector in Ireland**
Timing: Morning, Friday, 22nd March 2024
*****Taking Place Online*****



Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Martin Kenny TD, Transport and Communications Spokesperson, Sinn Fein
- 9.05 **Assessing the current landscape for transport connectivity and development in Ireland**
Garret Doocey, Assistant Secretary, Land Transport Investment and Public Transport Policy, Department of Transport
Anne Graham, Chief Executive Officer, National Transport Authority
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.40 **Priorities for transport decarbonisation**
Investing in sustainable methods of travel | Fostering behavioural change | Redesigning urban transport systems to prioritise public transport | Planning for a transport network fit for a net zero future
Declan Meally, Director of Business, Public Sector & Transport, Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland
Charlene Rohr, Technical Director, Mott MacDonald
- 10.00 **Latest thinking on system redesign for net zero**
Elisa Lanzi, Senior Economist and Climate Change Mitigation Team Lead, OECD
- 10.10 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Improving rural and urban connectivity**
Developing rural public transport links | Considering recommendations from the Strategic Rail Review | Fostering cross-border development | Improving transport infrastructure | Tackling inter-city congestion
Brendan Finn, Project Manager, SMARTA-NET
Louise Lennon, Policy and Communications Officer, Irish Rural Link
Jackie Robinson, Director for Public Transport Policy and Climate Response, Department for Infrastructure, NI
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.30 Break
- 11.45 **Reviewing Ireland's national aviation, maritime and ports policy**
The future for maritime and air travel development | Fostering technical innovation within port infrastructure | Utilising port travel to stimulate economic growth and account for future need
Marina Efthymiou, Associate Professor in Aviation Management, Dublin City University
Bernie Hamilton, Director of Corporate Affairs, Harland & Wolff
Tim Murphy, Head of Port Engineering, Port of Cork
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.20 **Key priorities for transport in Ireland going forward**
Professor Brian Caulfield, Professor of Transportation and Head of Discipline, Department of Civil, Structural and Environmental Engineering, Trinity College Dublin
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Ireland closing remarks**
Martin Kenny TD, Transport and Communications Spokesperson, Sinn Fein
Tiernan Phipps, Policy Forum for Ireland