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RSN Rural Conference 2016



"Brexit - Survival of the Fittest - Making the Case for Rural"

Tuesday 6th and Wednesday 7th September 2016

Park Campus, Cheltenham

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New this year! - Introducing Speakers' Corner

Have your chance to interact on a one on one basis with the presenters

Day 1 – Tuesday 6th September

11:30 am	Arrival and registration - Tea and coffee available
11:50 am	Welcome - Cllr Cecilia Motley (Chair of the Rural Services Network)
12.00 pm	Panel Discussion: "Can Rural Communities Stay: Connected, Skilled, Growth Orientated, Easy to Live and Work in and Manage their Own Affairs in a Post Recession World?" Led by Ivan Annibal Panelists: - Martin Lane (Cotswold Conservation Board) - Colin Walker (East Riding of Yorkshire Council) - Elisabeth Skinner (University of Gloucestershire) - John Birtwistle (First Group) - Graham Biggs (RSN)
1.00 pm	Lunch
1.45 pm	Plenary Session: Getting Around Transport and more - Intro Cllr Cecilia Motley - Colin Walker East Riding of Yorkshire Council - Local Transport Champions - John Birtwistle - First Group - LGA Transport John Pope
3.25 pm	Comfort Break - Tea and Coffee will be available - Speakers Corner available
3.45 pm	Questions / Discussion with Speakers
4.05 pm	Community Broadband - Daniel Heerey
4.35 pm	Summing Up - Early Emerging Themes Through the Lens of Brexit - Ivan Annibal
4.50 pm	Depart for Hotels
6.45 pm	Drinks Reception (Held at the Queens Hotel) Reception will include: - Mark Hawthorne - Chair of People & Places Board, LGA - Local Government Finance Dan Bates (Pixel)
8:15 pm	Close of Day 1

Day 2 – Wednesday 7th September

9:30 am	Arrival and registration - Tea and coffee available
10:00 am	Plenary - 'Brexit' 'Local Government - where have we got to and where are we heading?' Introduction by Cllr Motley - Welcome Professor Janet Dwyer (CCRI) - Keynote Speaker - Professor Tony Travers (LSE)
11:10 am	Questions / Discussion
11:30 am	Comfort Break - Tea and Coffee Available
12:00 pm	Plenary - Combined Authorities in Practice Introduction by Cllr Motley Greater Lincolnshire - Joint Presentation - Cllr Martin Hill (Leader - Lincolnshire County Council) and Baroness Redfern of the Isle of Axholme (Leader - North Lincolnshire Council)
12:35 pm	Questions / Discussion What does Brexit mean for joining things up?
1:00 pm	Lunch During Lunch hour, the Speakers Corner for the Morning sessions and Plenary 3 will be available from 1.30pm
1:50 pm	Workshop Session Two workshops will run concurrently, starting at 1.50 pm. Please choose which workshop you wish to attend. A Business Brexit - George Cowcher - CEO (Devon Chamber of Commerce) - Christopher Price - Director of Policy and Advice (CLA) B Local Government Brexit - Cllr Adam Paynter (Cornwall Council) - Ian Knowles - Director of Resources (West Lindsey District Council)
2:30 pm	Comfort Break - Tea and Coffee Available
2.50 pm	Plenary - Thriving Rural Communities - The view from our business base Introduction Cllr Motley - Chris Duffill - Inward Investment Manager (External Funding) (North Lincolnshire Council) - Louise Driver - Economic Growth Team Leader (Leicestershire County Council)
3.20 pm	Questions / Discussion - Business Brexit
3.40 pm	Where to Next? Firming up our views led by Cllr Motley supported by Graham Biggs
4:45 pm	Close and Depart