

# East Midlands Infrastructure Summit

Tuesday 8 December 2015, 10:00 - 14:30, BioCity Nottingham

Infrastructure led development is key to securing sustainable growth, linking manufactured goods and food to ports and airports, producers to markets and suppliers, and ensuring that businesses have access to broadband, energy and flood protection. This EMC event for Councillors is an invaluable opportunity to learn more about the key infrastructure projects in the East Midlands.



A word cloud featuring various terms related to infrastructure and development. The most prominent words are 'Infrastructure', 'Construction', 'Growth', and 'East Midlands'. Other visible words include 'Housing', 'Economic Development', 'Trains', 'Airports', 'Rail', 'Skills', 'Local Economy', 'Strategic Transport Network', 'Sustainable Growth', and 'Midlands Connect'.

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## East Midlands Infrastructure Summit...

The East Midlands is at the heart of the country's strategic transport network – literally the crossroads of England. Good transport links are required for the movement of food, goods and services, efficient labour markets and to support local visitor economies in places such as the Peak District National Park, the Lincolnshire holiday coast, Sherwood Forest and international sporting venues at Silverstone and Trent Bridge Cricket Ground.

The East Midlands Infrastructure Summit on 8 December is an opportunity for key decision makers and Elected Members from the region to meet and discuss the importance of road, rail and other strategic infrastructure to the regional and local economy and to raise the profile at a national level.

### Programme

**10:00** **Welcome from Chair – Cllr Martin Hill, Chair of East Midlands Councils, Leader of Lincolnshire County Council**

**10:05** **Institution of Civil Engineers State of the Nation Report on Infrastructure in the East Midlands**  
**Molly McKenzie, Regional Director, ICE East Midlands and ICE West Midlands**

To provide an overview of the Institution of Civil Engineers State of the Nation Report on Infrastructure in the East Midlands in 2014. With an exploration of the 2016 report that will focus on the impact of devolution on infrastructure

#### **Network Rail - Investment priorities in the East Midlands**

The presentation will provide details of Network Rail's Investment priorities for CP5/6 in the East Midlands.

**Spencer Gibbens, Network Rail**

#### **Midlands Connect, HS2**

**Andrew Pritchard, Director of Policy & Infrastructure, East Midlands Councils**

The presentation will provide details of the Midlands Connect partnership and an update on the development of HS2 and the benefits this will provide to the region.

#### **Questions and Answers**

**11:35** **Refreshments**

**11:45** **Infrastructure Planning in Lincolnshire**

**Brendan Gallagher, Principal Planning Officer, Strategic Planning, Lincolnshire County Council**

The presentation will provide an overview of infrastructure planning opportunities and challenges for Lincolnshire County Council.

#### **Highways England Transformational Journey**

**Kamaljit Khokhar, Asset Development Team Leader (East Midlands)**

The presentation will provide an overview of work and recent changes at Highways England.

#### **Midlands Highway Alliance**

**Peter Barclay, Midlands Highway Alliance Manager, Midlands Highway Alliance**

The presentation will provide an overview of the Midlands Highway Alliance, including who its members are and its aims. The presentation will also detail their five work streams, with a focus on the two collaborative highway frameworks.

#### **Questions and Answers**

**12:45** **Lunch**

## Programme continued

### 13:15 **East Midlands Infrastructure Pipeline**

#### **Maria Willis, Construction Coach**

The presentation will provide details of the East Midlands Infrastructure Pipeline project.

#### **Newark Growth Point**

#### **Cllr Roger Blaney, Leader of Newark and Sherwood District Council**

The importance of infrastructure is important but more important is a clear understanding of the long term benefits investment in infrastructure can bring - and a willingness to be patient, to remain committed and to adapt.

#### **Questions and Answers**

#### **Infrastructure Priorities in the East Midlands**

#### **Cllr Martin Hill, Leader of Lincolnshire County Council and Chair of East Midlands Councils and Stuart Young, Executive Director, East Midlands Councils**

The presentation will outline the current Infrastructure priorities for the East Midlands and will provide delegates with an opportunity to reflect and discuss.

### 14:30 **Event summary and close at 14:30**

## Contributor Biographies

### **Cllr Martin Hill, Chair of EMC, Leader of Lincolnshire County Council**

Elected Leader in 2005, Martin has been a county councillor since 1993 for Folkingham Rural which represents 25 parishes between Sleaford, Bourne and Grantham. Awarded the OBE for services to Lincolnshire in 2008. Originally from a Lincolnshire family and has lived within the county most of his life. He now lives at Kirby Underwood just north of Bourne in an old pub with his wife, Janice. A farmer for 30 years and farmed arable, cattle and produced hay but, due to the increased responsibilities, he is now a full time councillor.

### **Molly McKenzie, Regional Director, ICE East Midlands and ICE West Midlands**

Molly is a Chartered Civil Engineer and until recently was course leader for the BEng and MEng in civil engineering programmes at Nottingham Trent University. Previously she has worked for Severn Trent Water Ltd and the British Canoe Union. She has significant project management experience, a successful record securing project funding and is a strong team leader driving the implementation of change management programmes.

Molly is a keen sportswoman with considerable achievements in canoeing but she has also been very involved as a volunteer with ICE East Midlands. Over the last ten years she has been the programme manager for the Bridges to Schools activity, was Vice Chair of EM regional committee, chair of the NLD branch and was a President's Apprentice in 2007-2008.

### **Spencer Gibbens, Network Rail**

Spencer is an experienced senior business leader in UK rail in both public and private sectors. He is internal client for major upgrade programmes including electrification and journey time reduction (£3bn). As member of the Midland and Continental Route team for Network Rail Spencer has experience with the operation of HS1 and the strategic planning of HS2 for the East Midlands Hub station and connection to the East Coast Mainline. During his career Spencer has significant involvement with shared operation between Light and Heavy rail, publishing the British Rail policy document and currently accountable for infrastructure elements of Britain's first Tram Train project. Through his career the relationship with customers and stakeholders has been a key part of Spencer's success, illustrated by the successful commissioning of a re-signalling project in Nottingham with positive newspaper headlines despite a 37 day closure.

### **Andrew Pritchard, Director of Policy & Infrastructure, East Midlands Councils**

### **Brendan Gallagher, Principal Planning Officer, Strategic Planning, Lincolnshire County Council**

### **Maria Willis, Construction Coach**

Maria Willis is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor, Project Manager and Business Coach. Her business, Construction Coach, delivers business coaching to SMEs and large organisations around strategy and business planning. Maria also delivers leadership and management training in the construction industry.

Maria is a regional board member for the RICS, Chair of the Construction Industry Council in the East Midlands and was appointed as the Construction Ambassador for D2N2 in June 2015.

## Contributor Biographies (continued)

### **Cllr Roger Blaney, Leader, Newark and Sherwood District Council**

Roger Blaney has been a member of Newark & Sherwood District Council since 1989, became Deputy Leader in 2003 and has been Leader since 2011. He was the lead member in Newark's successful bid to become a New Growth Point and has successfully steered through his Council's Local Development Framework and Community Infrastructure Levy scheme. He is an active member of East Midlands Councils and sits on the DCN Executive and the LGA's People and Places Board. Prior to moving to Nottinghamshire, he was a member of Spelthorne Borough Council in Surrey for 11 years. His business career was spent in FMCG marketing and general management.

### **Kamaljit Khokhar, Asset Development Team Leader (East Midlands), Highways England**

### **Peter Barclay, Midlands Highway Alliance Manager, Midlands Highway Alliance**

Peter was appointed Midlands Highway Alliance Manager by Leicestershire County Council in October 2009. Peter managed the Trunk Road Agency and was heavily involved in the PLaN consortium who, in a unique private/public partnership with consultant Parkman, and Leicestershire County Council, won the Highway Agency Area 7 commission in the late 1990's. He has also been responsible for the delivery of a wide range of projects, including the £34 million Mansfield Ashfield Regeneration Route, and acted as Highway Coordinator for the Nottingham Tram project, for both Nottinghamshire and Nottingham City Council. During his time at the Midlands Highway Alliance, Peter has overseen the development of two 'Medium Schemes Frameworks' the most recent of these launching in June this year for works up to £25 million in value, and a Professional Services' framework to provide consultancy services on behalf of the 20 member authorities of the Alliance.

### **Stuart Young, Executive Director, East Midlands Councils**

## East Midlands Councils Infrastructure Priorities for 2015

East Midlands Councils (EMC) identified Infrastructure Priorities for the East Midlands through a consultation process with the full membership of EMC, the following 5 infrastructure schemes were agreed at the last meeting of the Executive Board as EMC priorities for 2015. Latest progress on each is noted below:

Priority	Progress
Midland Main Line Market Harborough Enhancement	Growth deal funding is in place to cover most of the cost of the scheme, but there is still likely to be a shortfall. Network Rail is undertaking work to better define costs and outputs and the scale of further contributions.
A5 (M42-M69) Strategic Enhancement	Funding for the Longshoot to Dodwells section was included in the Government's Roads Investment Strategy.  There has been positive feedback on the prospects of funding for scheme development across the full route – but as yet no formal announcements.
Newark Strategic Road and Rail Enhancement	Network Rail has made available resources to explore proposals for a 'Newark flyover'. Development money for the A46 Newark Northern bypass was announced in the Government's Roads Investment Strategy.
North Leicestershire Strategic Rail Enhancement (including Burton-Leicester re-opening)	A study to develop proposals for further rail investment has been let by the Leicester and Leicestershire LEP.
A14 Enhancement	Proposals for a new Junction 10a at Kettering were announced in the Government's Roads Investment Strategy