

Northern Futures Summit

9am-4pm, Thursday 6th November 2014.

Central Leeds, venue to be disclosed to attendees ahead of the event

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Outline

This one-day conference aims to answer the question ‘how do we build on the strengths in the north to create an economic core in the heart of the region to compete with the biggest cities in the world?’

During the three proposition sessions, delegates will hear a range of ideas for creating a more prosperous north. With pitches drawn from a national call for submissions as well as from known experts in the field, delegates will be encouraged to **ask questions** and **cast their votes** on the ideas.

Agenda

Chaired by: **Andrew Carter (@AndrewCities)**, Acting Chief Executive, Centre for Cities

9.00am **Arrivals and registration, tea and coffee**

9.45am **Welcome and introductions:**

- **Cllr Keith Wakefield (@CllrKWakefield)**, Leader, Leeds City Council
- **Freya Tweedy & Sam Simkins**, students from Abbey Grange Academy
- **Rt Hon Nick Clegg MP (@DPMOffice)**, Deputy Prime Minister

10.10am **Keynote speech: Jim O’Neill** Chair, City Growth Commission

10.30am **Opening propositions: Changing the Rules of the Game**

Pitches on:

- Decentralisation: **Prof Tony Travers**, London School of Economics
- Skills: **Katie Schmuecker (@KatieSchmuecker)**, Joseph Rowntree Foundation
- Physical regeneration: **Elaine Cresswell (@elainecresswell)**, reShaped

Responses from:

- **Sir Bob Kerslake (@SirBobKerslake)**, Permanent Secretary, Department for Communities and Local Government
- **Roger Marsh**, Chair, Leeds City Region Enterprise Partnership
- **Prof Michael Parkinson**, Advisor to the Vice-Chancellor, University of Liverpool
- **Sarah Whitney (@SarahJ_Whitney)**, Visiting Fellow, University of Cambridge

11.20am **Tea, coffee and biscuits**

11.50am **Second propositions: Transformative Projects**

Pitches on:

- Green economy: **Liz Hamilton**, Student at Heriot Watt University and winner of the Northern Futures 16-24-year-old proposal competition
- Transport: **Dave Newton**, Transport for Greater Manchester
- Smart Cities: **Prof Rachel Armstrong (@livingarchitect)**, University of Newcastle

Responses from:

- **Mike Blackburn (@MikeBlackburn_)**, Chair, Greater Manchester Local Enterprise Partnership
- **Jonathan Bray**, Director, Passenger Transport Executive Group
- **Prof Henry Overman (@henryoverman)**, Director, What Works Centre for Local Economic Growth
- **Barbara Spicer**, Chief Executive, Plus Dane Group

12.40pm

City reflections: **Chief Executives**

- **Kersten England (@Kersten1england)**, York City Council
- **Tom Riordan (@tomriordan)**, Leeds City Council
- **Pat Ritchie**, Newcastle City Council
- **Darryl Stephenson**, Hull City Council

1.05pm

Break for lunch

2.05pm

Introduction to the afternoon: **Rt Hon Nick Clegg MP (@DPMOffice)**, Deputy Prime Minister

2.10pm

Keynote speech: **Prof Ed Glaeser**, Fred and Eleanor Glimp Professor of Economics at Harvard University and author of *Triumph of the City*

2.40pm

Third propositions: **Maximising Growth Across the North**

Pitches on:

- Tourism and brand: **Gary Verity (@GaryVerity)**, Welcome to Yorkshire
- Entrepreneurship: **Paul Smith**, Ignite
- Health sciences: **Prof John Fisher**, University of Leeds

Responses from:

- **Eddie Copeland (@EddieACopeland)**, Head of the Technology Policy Unit, Policy Exchange
- **Ed Cox (@edcox_ippr)**, Director, IPPR North
- **James Newman**, Chair, Sheffield City Region LEP
- **Prof Andy Pike**, Director of CURDS, Newcastle University
- **Julia Unwin (@juliaunwin)**, Chief Executive, Joseph Rowntree Foundation

3.30pm

City reflections: **Leaders**

- **Mayor Joe Anderson (@JoeForLiverpool)**, Liverpool City Council
- **Cllr Peter Box**, Wakefield Council
- **Cllr Julie Dore**, Sheffield City Council
- **Sir Richard Leese (@SirRichardLeese)**, Manchester City Council
- **Cllr Peter Rankin (@pcc_leader)**, Preston City Council

3.55pm

Final reflections:

- **Rt Hon Nick Clegg MP (@DPMOffice)**, Deputy Prime Minister

4.00pm

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