



**Autumn Conference 2018:**  
**SHAPING PLACES FOR THRIVING COMMUNITIES**

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018  
 Radisson Blu Hotel, Manchester Airport

<b>DAY ONE</b>	
8:30	Registration and Refreshments
9:15	Welcome & Introduction Neil Gibson, ADEPT President / Buckinghamshire County Council
	<b>Plenary Session 1</b> <b>Building, Business &amp; Brexit</b> Chair: Neil Gibson, ADEPT President / Buckinghamshire County Council
9:30	Year of the Engineer – how engineers make the world go round Nathan Baker, Director – Engineering Knowledge, Institution of Civil Engineers
9:45	UK trade in a world market from a European company perspective Ringway speaker (tbc)
10:00	All things Brexit: prospects and priorities for the UK Nick Burkitt, Deputy Director - Public Services, Environment & Infrastructure, Department for Exiting the EU
10:15	Q&A session
11:00	Refreshment Break
	<b>Plenary Session 2</b> <b>People, Planning &amp; Place: delivering places that work for the people that live in them</b> Chair: Simon Neilson, ADEPT Immediate Past President / Walsall Council
11:30	Delivering new homes in the right place at the right cost: meeting the Government's ambitions Tom Walker, Deputy Chief Executive, Homes England
11:45	View from the planning profession Victoria Hills, Chief Executive, Royal Town Planning Institute
12:00	Is it possible to deliver quality, as well as quantity homes? Adrian Brown, Strategic Director, Berkeley Group
12.15	Q&A session
13.00	Lunch

14:00	<b>Address by Jesse Norman MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Transport</b>
14.30	<b>Workshops</b>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>50 / 50 Leaders Network: supporting the Place Directors of tomorrow</b>  Chair: Laura Church, Chair, East of England Board / Luton Borough Council  Speaker 1: Paul O'Brian, APSE  Speaker 2: TBC</li> <li>2. <b>SMART Places research programme: piloting innovative approaches</b>  Chair: Neil Gibson, ADEPT President  Speaker 1: Giles Perkin, WSP  Speaker 2: TBC</li> <li>3. <b>Skills for growth</b>  Chair: Nigel Riglar, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President / Gloucestershire County Council  Speaker 1: Cheryl Swales, Project Manager, Association of Employment &amp; Learning Providers (AELP)  Speaker 2: TBC</li> <li>4. <b>The circular economy: myth or reality?</b>  Chair: Paula Hewitt, Chair, Environment Board / Somerset County Council  Speaker 1: Chris Preston, Deputy Director, Defra  Speaker 2: Amey</li> <li>5. <b>Future Highways Research Club</b>  Chair: Mark Stevens, Chair, Engineering Board / Suffolk County Council  Speaker 1: Simon Wilson, Proving Services  Speaker 2: TBC</li> </ol>
15:30	Refreshment Break
15:45	<b>Workshops (repeats)</b>
16:45	<b>Directors' Dragons' Den</b> Chair: Darryl Evers, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President / Staffordshire County Council Further details to follow
17:45	Summary & End of Day One Programme
18:00	ADEPT General Meeting (members only)
19:30	Drinks Reception
20:00	Dinner

<b>DAY TWO</b>	
8:00	Registration (new arrivals only) and refreshments
8:30	<b>Special Plenary</b> <b>Research into the impact of ADEPT: initial findings</b> Phil Swann, Shared Intelligence
	<b>Plenary Session 3 (Hosted by the LEP Network)</b> <b>Local solutions to a dynamic national economy</b> Private and public sectors driving ambitious place based industrial strategies
9:00	Christine Gaskell, Chair, Cheshire & Warrington LEP
9:15	Mo Isap, Board Member, Greater Manchester LEP
9:30	Rebecca Weston, Board Member, Cumbria LEP
9:45	Q&A session
10:30	Refreshment Break
	<b>Plenary Session 4</b> <b>Delivering successful sustainable infrastructure</b> Chair: Mike Ashworth, Chair, ADEPT Transport Board / Derbyshire County Council
11:00	The Government's ambitions for delivering an integrated, resilient road network Graham Pendlebury, Director – Roads, Motoring and Devolution, Department for Transport
11:15	High Speed 2 Tom Kelly, Strategic Director - Stakeholder Engagement, HS2
11:30	Water, water, everywhere: ensuring sufficient supply and protecting the environment Ronan Palmer, Director - Strategy & Planning, OFWAT
11:45	Q&A session
12:30	<b>Closing Remarks</b> Neil Gibson, ADEPT President
12:45	<b>Lunch</b> and Close of the Conference