

**BOOKING FORM - ADEPT Conference 2019**

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**WELL-CONNECTED PLACES IN A CHANGING WORLD**

Date **21st & 22nd November 2019** Venue **Apex Hotel, James Street West, Bath BA1 2DA**

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(Thursday/Friday - delete as appropriate)

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# ADEPT AUTUMN CONFERENCE 2019

## Focus

Following several successful conferences in Manchester, the 2019 conference moves to a new location, Bath in the South West. This presents a great opportunity to give the conference a refreshed look and feel. Last year's successful conference had a focus on **delivering sustainable growth for thriving communities**.

Since the last conference there have been some significant shifts in public policy and attitude. We want to build on last year's success and address some of the big issues coming to the fore for place directors. In particular, the comprehensive spending review, delivering place services and connectivity in a post-Brexit world, and a renewed focus in our communities on climate change. The focus of the conference in 2019 is **well-connected places in a changing world**.

The aim of the Autumn Conference is to build on the three strategic priorities from the Spring Conference, thus creating a coherent narrative for the year. The focus is about our role as place leaders (place directors, LEPs, combined authorities and as corporate partners) in enabling and delivering sustainable communities in a time of uncertainty and change, helping our communities to thrive and achieve their ambitions.

## Our Approach

It is impossible to look at the big issues - local government funding, the rising tide of public support to address climate change, the impact of Brexit - in isolation. These issues are all interconnected and dependent on each other. Similarly, place-based services do not exist in a bubble; they are part of wider financial and policy systems.

It is important to recognise and discuss how place-based services support and interact with other council services, such as adult and children's services and public health.

The conference will tackle these interactions and dependencies topics head on, discussing how as place shapers we can enable our communities to thrive.

## Conference Themes

With the focus of the conference being on well-connected places in a changing world, we will explore what being **well-connected** means, digital as well as transport connectivity and mobility. We will look at the growing role of sub-national transport bodies and explore the future potential of 5G.

The Government's comprehensive spending review will take place this year, and this will set the **financial context** for place services going forward. The conference will provide an opportunity to examine how place services are provided in the context of wider local government services and relationship with LEPs. A **special chaired debate** (Question Time style) with organisations such as ADASS, ADCS and SOLACE will be a centre-piece of the conference.

The conference will also delve into the **post-Brexit world**, and the proposed Shared Prosperity Fund. We will explore the opportunities for **innovation** in this new world and hear back from our **'Live Labs'** projects, in a speed-dating-style session.

Europe has particularly shaped our approach to the **environment** and its protection. As we prepare to leave the EU, **climate change** is once again in the political spotlight, with lobbying groups appearing both nationally and locally. The aim is to hear from Government but also to invite one or two 'different' high-profile speakers, whose views we do not always hear first-hand, to provoke a debate about our role as place shapers and custodians of places for future generations.

Our **workshops** include an opportunity to engage with SMEs, to discuss the new highways sector deal, the delivery of clean growth and the relationship between environmental and public health. 2019 has also seen the launch of our ADEPT Leadership Development Programme, and we want to hear from those who have participated.

## Programme Day 1 - Thursday 21st November (subject to change)

- 8.30** Registration and Refreshments
- 9.15** **Welcome & Introduction**  
Darryl Eyers, Staffordshire County Council / ADEPT President
- 9.30** **Opening Address**  
Tim Bowles, Mayor of West of England Combined Authority  
**Plenary Session 1: Transport & Connectivity**  
*Chair: Rupert Clubb, East Sussex County Council / Past President of ADEPT*
- 9.45** From the Peninsula to the Western Gateway: strategic transport planning in the South West
- 10.00** Delivering digital connectivity: connecting, protecting and enhancing the lives of residents and businesses
- 10.15** Highways today and tomorrow: still routes to local and national connectivity but who will be delivering/travelling these routes?  
Question & Answer session
- 10.45** **Refreshment Break**  
**Plenary Session 2: Preparing for a changing world**  
*Chair: Paula Hewitt, Somerset County Council / ADEPT 2nd Vice President*
- 11.15** Sustainability in a tourist destination: a case study from the South West
- 11.30** Local Industrial Strategies: can they deliver truly sustainable growth? (continued...)

- 11.45** Delivering the 25 Year Environment Plan: creating the necessary conditions for success
- 12.00** Question & Answer session
- 12.30** **Lunch**
- 13.45** **Plenary Session 3: Leadership Development Programme**  
*Chair: Laura Church, Luton Council / ADEPT 2nd Vice President*  
Hear from the participants of the ADEPT Leadership Development Programme
- 14.45** **Refreshment Break**  
**Workshops**
  - **Building with Nature** *Chair: Nigel Riglar, South Gloucestershire Council / 1st Vice President*
  - **Technology & innovation** *Chair: Sue Halliwell, Oxfordshire County Council / Chair, South East Board*
  - **Clean growth** *Chair: Carolyn McKenzie, Kent County Council / Chair, Energy Group*
  - **Highways Sector Deal** *Chair: Mark Kemp, Herts County Council / Chair, Transport & Connectivity Board*
- 16.15** **Refreshment Break**
- 16.30** **Workshops (repeats)**
- 17.30** **Summary & End of Day One Programme**
- 18.00** **ADEPT General Meeting**
- 19.30** **Drinks Reception**
- 20.00** **Dinner**

## Programme Day 2 - Friday 22nd November (subject to change)

- 8.00** Registration (new arrivals only) and Refreshments
- 9.00** **Live Labs: speed dating**  
*Chair: Neil Gibson, Buckinghamshire County Council / ADEPT Immediate Past President and Giles Perkins, Live Labs programme director*  
The ADEPT SMART Places Research Programme looks at the opportunities and challenges facing the adoption of innovative and digital technology across the local highway network. This is your opportunity to find out more about the 8 individual 'Live Lab' projects, piloting innovation across SMART communications, energy, materials and mobility.
- 10.30** **Refreshment Break**
- 11.00** **Question Time: a debate on the place-based funding in a post-Brexit world**  
*Chair: Simon Clifford, Somerset County Council*  
Central government must work with local government to fund the pressures in our adult and children's health and care services today without putting at jeopardy our universal place services. If we don't continue to invest in place services that support the growth of sustainable economies and communities, then we will see demand for health and care services grow exponentially in the medium to long-term. Join the debate with speakers drawn from national and local government.
- 12.30** **Closing Remarks**  
Darryl Eyers, ADEPT President
- 12.45** **Lunch and Close of the Conference**

