

**Westminster Business Policy Forum:
Next steps for drone regulation and use in the UK**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday 31st January 2023

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Kirkhope of Harrogate, Vice President, All-Party Parliamentary Group on General Aviation
- 9.05 **Airspace modernisation and integrating remotely piloted aircraft systems into airspace regulation and use**
Kevin Woolsey, Co-Head, General Aviation and Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems, Civil Aviation Authority
Stuart Lindsay, Head, Airspace Modernisation, Civil Aviation Authority
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 Break
- 9.40 **Developing the regulatory environment - spectrum and airspace management, routine BVLOS, acceptable levels of risk, opportunities for tailoring regulation to technology and uses, and reducing barriers to sector growth**
John McKenna, CEO, sees.ai
Helen Hearn, Director, Spectrum Policy, Ofcom
Nicholas Paines KC, Commissioner for Public Law, Law Commission
Andrew Sage, Director, Safety Transformation, NATS
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Kirkhope of Harrogate, Vice President, All-Party Parliamentary Group on General Aviation
- 10.45 Break
- 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.00 **Integrating drones into local economies - regulation, planning and infrastructure**
Councillor Keith Artus, Chairman, Strategic Aviation Special Interest Group (SASIG)
- 11.10 **Maximising the economic contribution of drones in the UK - developing business cases, integrating drones into new and existing business models, attracting investment, and priorities for supporting sector growth**
Andrew Chadwick, Technology Innovation Lead, Aviation, Connected Places Catapult
Sam Durham, Chief Land Management Adviser, NFU
Stuart McGlynn, Chief Aviation and Safety Officer, Cyberhawk
Dr Anton Howes, Head of Innovation Research, Entrepreneurs Network
- 11.30 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.55 Break
- Opportunities for drone use in supporting wider policy areas and national objectives**
- 12.00 **Improving efficiency and effectiveness of public services**
Fiona Smith, Group Head of Aerodrome Strategy, AGS Airports
- 12.10 **Contributing to meeting emissions targets and supporting business pathways to net-zero**
Dr Ruth Mallors-Ray, Director, RMR Consultants
- 12.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Developing the vision for commercial drone use and policy priorities going forward**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Patrick Owen, Senior Researcher, Westminster Business Forum