



CPT Scotland Conference 2023 – Progress Through Partnership

October 2nd & 3rd, 2023
Glasgow Hilton Hotel, G3 8HT

Scotland's bus and coach sectors are currently working to overcome the lasting impacts of the pandemic and the more recent challenges borne from the cost-of-living crisis. Challenges including suppressed travel demand, rising operational costs, limited public sector resources, worsening congestion, and the slow recovery of passenger confidence.

However, the need to provide an accessible, affordable, and attractive network of bus and coach services remains critical.

How do we collectively surmount these challenges, generate passenger growth, and unlock the many benefits associated with bus and coach travel? What roles should local, regional and national government play? How do operators make their case for supportive policy and generate political will?

Progress through Partnership aims to tackle these questions through two days of engagement, networking, and debate, with a programme designed to bring in views from across the spectrum of stakeholders involved in bus and coach.

This is a conference for all with an interest or role to play in public transport provision. The clearest path to progression and improvement is partnership. CPT Scotland hopes you will be able to join us.



Monday 2 October

1145-1300:

Networking Lunch and Registration

1300-1310:

CPT Scotland Chair Opens Conference

Duncan Cameron: *Managing Director, First Bus Scotland*

1310-1340:

Ministerial Address

Fiona Hyslop MSP: *Scottish Government Minister for Transport*

1340-1425:

A Shared Vision for Scotland's Buses

Fiona Doherty: *CPT Scotland Vice-Chair, MD Stagecoach West Scotland*

Alison Irvine: *Interim Transport Scotland Chief Executive*

Tim Gaston: *ex-Director of Public Transport Services, National Transport Authority (NTA)*

Cllr Angus Millar: *Convener for Climate, Glasgow Green Deal, Transport and City Centre Recovery, Glasgow City Council*

1425-1445:

Public Health and Public Transport

Dr Margaret Douglas: *Consultant in Public Health, Public Health Scotland and Honorary Clinical Senior Lecturer, University of Glasgow*

1445-1515:

Tea & Coffee Break

1515-1600:

Designing City Spaces

Catherine De Marco OBE: *Partnerships Director, First Bus*

Martin MacPhail: *Director, MacPhail's Coaches*

Stuart Patrick CBE: *Chief Executive, Glasgow Chamber of Commerce*

Cllr Scott Arthur: *Convener for Transport and Environment, City of Edinburgh Council*



1600-1645

Redefining Accessibility

Sarah Boyd: *Managing Director, Lothian Buses*

Valerie Davidson: *Chief Executive, SPT*

John Lauder: *ex-Deputy CEO, Sustrans*

Lesley MacInnes: *Committee Member, Mobility and Access Committee for Scotland*

1645-1655:

CPT Scotland Chair Day One Closing Remarks

Duncan Cameron: *Managing Director, First Bus Scotland*



Tuesday 3 October

0900-1000

Networking Tea & Coffee

1000-1010

CPT Scotland Chair Day Two Welcome

Duncan Cameron: *Managing Director, First Bus Scotland*

1010-1055

Decarbonising Scotland's Buses and Coaches

Paul White: *Director, CPT Scotland*

Andrew Lockett, *Director, BluMarbl*

Morna Cannon, *Interim Director – Low Carbon Economy, Transport Scotland*

Julia Meek, *Director of Business Development and Marketing, Zenobe*

1055- 1115

Traffic Commissioner's Address

Claire Gilmore: *Traffic Commissioner for Scotland*

1115-1145

Tea & Coffee Break

1145-1230

Engaging with Our Audiences

Sara Collier: *Public Affairs Manager, CPT Scotland*

David Sidebottom: *Director, Transport Focus*

L-J Burrell, *Economic Advisor, Department for Transport*

1230-1315

In Conversation with Brent Toderian

1315-1325

CPT Scotland Chair Closes Conference

Duncan Cameron: *Managing Director, First Bus Scotland*



1325-1430
Networking Lunch