



Rural Connectivity
Wednesday, 20th September 2023
13:30-15:30

AGENDA

- 13:25 Event Opens to Delegates
- 13:30 **Welcome to the RSN National Rural Conference**
[Kerry Booth](#), Chief Executive, [Rural Services Network](#)
- 13:35 Introduction to the Conference Session by [Simon Fell MP](#), for Barrow and Furness and the **Rural Connectivity Champion**
- 13:45 [Rt Hon Lord Benyon](#), Minister for Biosecurity, Marine and Rural Affairs, [Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs](#)
- 13:55 [Lucy Baker](#), All IP Director, [BT](#)
Digital switchover of telephone lines
Short Q&A with the speaker
- 14:15 [Bryn Jones](#), Shared Rural Network Director, [Digital Mobile Spectrum](#)
Improving mobile connectivity in rural areas
Short Q&A with the speaker
- 14:35 [Mike Jones](#), Chief Operating Officer, [SWS Broadband](#)
The importance of altnets in levelling up the UK
Short Q&A with the speaker
- 14:55 Open Forum led by Kerry Booth, Chief Executive, Rural Services Network
An opportunity for speakers and delegates to debate the challenges facing rural connectivity and potential solutions
- 15:30 Close of Conference Session

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