

Rural Access to Health and Care Services
Thursday 17 September 2026
10.00-12.00

AGENDA

09.55 Event Opens to Delegates

10.00 Welcome and Introduction to the RSN National Rural Conference
Councillor Roger Phillips, Chair of the RSN

10.05 Rural Access to Health and Care Services: Setting the Scene
Kerry Booth, RSN Chief Executive

10.10 Gill O'Neill, Executive Director of Public Health, Northumberland County Council
"Rural Realities - Northumberland Director of Public Health Report"

10.35 Professor Sheena Asthana, University of Plymouth and Dr Michael Clark, London School of Economics
"Adult social care in rural and coastal communities"

11.05 Abigail Reeve, National Rural Touring Forum and Dr Vishalakshi Roy, Associate Professor in Creative Industries, University of Warwick
"Culture, Wellbeing and Economics: A Rural Touring Story"

11.30 Kerry Booth, RSN Chief Executive – Open Discussion with delegates about Rural Access to Health and Care Services.

12.00 Close of Conference Session

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