

Rural Transport
Thursday 17 September 2026
13.30-15.30

AGENDA

13.25 Event Opens to Delegates

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

13.35 Rural Transport: Setting the Scene
Kerry Booth, RSN Chief Executive

13.40 Cllr Christine Wise, Leader and Victoria Nicholls, Transport Service Manager, Rutland County
"Connecting People and Places"

14.00 Kit Allwinter, Senior Inspector, Active Travel England
"Rural Design Guide – high quality interventions to support rural walking, wheeling and cycling"

14:20 Thomas Ableman, Founder, Freewheeling
"Mini Switzerland: what the Swiss get right about rural transport and how we can learn from them"

14.40 David Peinturier, Consultant, Connected Places Catapult
"Integrating Transport Solutions in a Local Authority: what we learned so far from the Better Connected Strategy and the Department for Transport"

15.00 Kerry Booth, RSN Chief Executive – Open Discussion with delegates about Rural Transport.

15.30 Close of Conference Session

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