

THURSDAY 12 CREATIVITY

Chair: Brian Archer, Director of Economic Services, West Yorkshire Combined Authority

9.00 Leeds City Region: World class project showcase

Connecting a city through culture: Leeds 2023 and Bradford 2025

Kersten England CBE, Chief Executive, Bradford Metropolitan District Council
Angela Barnicle, Chief Officer Asset Management & Regeneration, Leeds City Council

Kersten England and Angela Barnicle explain how Leeds and Bradford plan to harness the energy, creativity and momentum created by Leeds 2023 and the Bradford 2025 bid to energise and celebrate the cities' cultural lives. Leeds City Region is a vibrant area with a dynamic culture, embracing international connections and heritage.

Trends driving commercial real estate markets around the world

Nick Axford, Global Head of Research, Avison Young

Hear about the importance of real estate intelligence to maximise the potential of properties to fully realise a business's vision and growth strategy.

Property developer's perspective: Rushbond

Mark Finch, Director – Real Estate, Rushbond

Rushbond is at the forefront of delivering some of the most distinctive infrastructure to support the creative industries in Leeds City Region. This talk will feature an update on the Bretton Hall Estate at Yorkshire Sculpture Park and bring to life the reimagining of the iconic Majestic building in Leeds city centre.

10.30 How creativity is disrupting real estate

Tom Stannard, Corporate Director - Regeneration & Economic Growth, Wakefield Metropolitan District Council

Stuart Howie, Principal, Avison Young

Lee Arnell, Executive Regeneration Manager, Leeds City Council

Kersten England CBE, Chief Executive, Bradford Metropolitan District Council

Samuel Lawson Johnston, Co-Founder, Kinrise.co and Finley & Co.

In this session, our speakers will explore how the ever-changing needs of society and the drivers of business growth are influencing the way in which our major cities are designed and developed. It will provide a chance to hear from the people leading the regeneration strategies of Leeds, Bradford and Wakefield. Learn what themes and opportunities are shaping plans and priorities, as greater emphasis is placed upon cultural assets and creative spaces.

12.00 Wakefield: Planned developments

Tom Stannard, Corporate Director - Regeneration & Economic Growth, Wakefield Metropolitan District Council

An opportunity to hear about Wakefield's new economy and culture strategy, and its development priorities.

12.15 MEPC: Wellington Place

Jeff Pearey, Lead Director – Yorkshire & North East, JLL

Wellington Place has established itself as an outstanding new urban quarter and a business location of choice in the region. With modern, high-specification office space designed to meet the needs of its occupiers, hear how MEPC has successfully blended spaces for both the public sector and high growth tech companies like Sky Betting and Gaming.

12.30 McLaren: Wellington Street

John Gatley, CEO, McLaren Property
Andrew Cowell, Transactions & Asset Management, OBI Properties

Wellington Street is a new innovative and modern development in Leeds city centre, comprising 330,000 square feet of office space, as well as flexible ground floor uses. The 17-storey building received planning permission in January 2020 and will become home to firms from the TMT, digital and creative and professional and financial services sectors, creating around 3,000 jobs

13.30 How Yorkshire's character is shaping its quality of life

David Shepherd, Director of Trade & Investment, Leeds City Region Enterprise Partnership

David Leversha, Buildings - Structural Director, Sweco Engineering

Leah Stuart, Associate Director, Civic Engineers

Mark Mildren, Marketing & Communications Director, Munroe K

The amazing quality of life on offer in Leeds City Region continues to be a major factor in attracting talent and businesses. This session will investigate some of the iconic locations behind recent hit productions such as Gentleman Jack, Ackley Bridge, Yorkshire Vet, Emmerdale and Happy Valley.

One year on from Channel 4's announcement to move its national HQ to Leeds, David Shepherd will explore the positive impact of Channel 4's decision and its game-changing plans for the city region.

15.00 Inclusive communities: The cornerstone of housing

Sean Fallon, Managing Director, Fallons

David Sheridan, Executive Chair, ilke Homes

Vicky Hutchinson, Environment Practice Director – Infrastructure, Atkins

Housing that enables people to connect, create prosperous communities and share in inclusive growth are the foundations of housing policy in our region. Hear how the housing industry is transforming to build homes that enable neighbourhoods to connect, reduce carbon emissions and tackle fuel poverty. Leaders in housing production and policy discuss how they plan to deliver 65,000 smarter, energy efficient homes in the next five years.

16.00 Closing reception

Join us as we celebrate another year at MIPIM and reflect on new connections and how best to capitalise on the growth opportunities on offer in Leeds City Region.