



# MOVING BEYOND DEVOLUTION

A forward look to 2030

A three day conference looking at building the New  
Policy and Research Agenda for Combined Local  
Authorities in the UK

21, 22 & 23 March 2018

# PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE SPRING CONFERENCE IN LEEDS

with the support of

Regional Studies Association, Leeds City Council, West Yorkshire Combined Authority, Leeds Business School, Newcastle Business School, Northumbria University and the Key Cities Network.



## Conference Overview

This special conference in the Northern Powerhouse is an opportunity for academics and practitioners to focus on the major challenges facing the public sector and the new Combined Authorities and with input from the leading CORE cities and the KEY Cities Network.

JUC/PAC is sponsoring this event with Northumbria University and Northumbria Business School, Leeds Beckett University, Leeds Business School and Leeds City Council and West Yorkshire Combined Authority, the Regional Studies Association, and the Key Cities Network.

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Public Policy and Administration, and Teaching Public Administration are academic journals published by Sage on behalf of JUC/PAC and are among the journals that will be represented at the conference, together with Regional Studies and Routledge.

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**Professor John Shutt**

Leeds Business School, Leeds Beckett University

**Professor Joyce Liddle**

Newcastle Business School, Northumbria University

WEDNESDAY 21st MARCH 2018 Leeds Civic Hall

THURSDAY 22ND MARCH 2018 Cloth Hall Court

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## DAY 1

WEDNESDAY 21st MARCH 2018  
LEEDS CIVIC HALL

- 15.00 COFFEE/TEA AND REGISTRATION
- 16.00 WELCOME AND OPENING  
**Professor John Shutt** and **Professor Joyce Liddle**
- 16.30 OPENING PLENARY  
'Leeds and Devolution in Yorkshire: Making a Real Commitment to the Future of Local Government',  
**Tom Riordan** Chief Executive, Leeds City Council
- 18.00 CLOSE OF SESSION AND DRINKS RECEPTION
- 19.00 DINNER: CIVIC HALL  
'Culture and Regeneration: Leeds Beyond Brexit'  
**Councillor Judith Blake** Leader of Leeds City Council  
**Sharon Watson** Artistic Director of Phoenix Dance Theatre & Independent Chair of Leeds 2023 European Capital of Culture Bid

# DAY 2

THURSDAY 22ND MARCH 2018 CLOTH HALL COURT, LEEDS

## AM

9.00-10.00	COFFEE/TEA AND REGISTRATION
10.00	<b>WELCOME AND OPENING</b> <b>Professor Peter Slee</b> , Vice Chancellor, Leeds Beckett University. <b>Roger Marsh OBE</b> , Chair of Leeds City Region LEP (TBC)
10.30-12.30	<b>PLENARY 2</b> <b>'Moving Beyond Devolution in England'</b> <b>Mike Emmerich</b> , METRO DYNAMICS and author of Britain's Cities, Britain's Future London Publishing Partnership 2017 <b>'Combined Authorities: An Assessment'</b> <b>Aileen Murphie</b> , Director of Department of Communities and Local Government, Value for Money, National Audit Office <b>'How Can We Develop Local-Central Relations in the Future?'</b> <b>Dr. Sarah Ayers</b> , University of Bristol
12.30-13.30	LUNCH
13.30-15.30	<b>PLENARY 3</b> <b>'Mayors and Leaders: The Future of Local Government'</b> <b>Andy Burnham</b> Mayor of Greater Manchester Combined Authority (TBC) <b>'WYCA and Yorkshire Devolution'</b> <b>Councillor Susan Hinchcliffe</b> Chair of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority & Leader of Bradford Council <b>'WYCA and Midlands Devolution'</b> <b>Andy Street</b> , Mayor of West Midland Combined Authority (TBC) <b>RESPONSE: Marvin Rees</b> Mayor of Bristol City (TBC) <b>'Will a Mayors' Senate and a new constitutional settlement provide new momentum to fragmented devolution?'</b> <b>Councillor Peter Box</b> , Leader of Wakefield Council, Chair of Key Cities & Chair of West Yorkshire Combined Authority Investment Committee

## PM

15.30-16.00	COFFEE/TEA BREAK
16.00-18.00	<b>PLENARY 4</b> <b>'Combined Authorities and Key Policy Areas'</b> <b>Helen Dickinson</b> , Assistant Chief Executive, Newcastle City Council on plans for the new Newcastle, North Tyneside and Northumberland Combined Authority <b>'Health and Social Care Futures'</b> <b>Professor Andrew Gray</b> , Emeritus Professor of Public Management, University of Durham <b>'Housing: Plans for the Future'</b> <b>Dr. Quintin Bradley</b> , Senior Lecturer, School for the Built Environment, Leeds Beckett University <b>Transport and Economic Development, Transport for the North</b> <b>'Devolution: The Revolution Is Yet to Come'</b> <b>Dr. Arianna Giovannini</b> , Department of Politics and Public Policy, De Montfort University
19.00	CONFERENCE DINNER, BIBIS, LEEDS

# DAY 3

**FRIDAY 23rd MARCH 2018**  
CLOTH HALL COURT, LEEDS

9.00-10.30

## PLENARY 5

**'Lessons from Europe and Australia?'**

**Chair: Professor Lee Pugalis**, Local Government Centre, University of Technology, Sydney, Australia

**'Planning the Northern Powerhouse 2.0. Will a New Industrial strategy deliver?'**

**Henri Murison**, Director Northern Powerhouse Partnership, Manchester

**'Midlands Engine: Between Centre and Local Government. Power up or Power Down?'**

**Gill Bentley**, Birmingham Business School, The University of Birmingham

**'Leaders, Legacies and Localities: Why do devolution deals vary between places?'**

**Professor Vivien Lowndes**, INLOGOV, The University of Birmingham

10.30-11.00

## COFFEE/TEA BREAK

11.00-12.30

## PLENARY 6

**'Moving Beyond PFI'**

**Dexter Whitfield**, Associate Professor, University of Adelaide, Public Services Action

**'Universities engagement with local and regional development'**

**Dr. Peter O'Brien**, Deputy Local Growth Consultant HEFCE

**'Beyond the Core Cities - lessons from the 30 English areas that didn't combine'**

**Professor Alan Townsend**, Emeritus Professor, University of Durham

12.30-14.00

## LUNCH

14.00-15.00

## CONCLUDING SESSION

**'Developing a New Policy and Research Agenda with the Combined Authorities and Local Government'**

**'Can our cities and city regions rise to the national challenges of BREXIT, Rebalancing the Economy and the Challenge of Building the Northern Economy of the Future?'**

**Professor John Shutt & Professor Joyce Liddle** joined by **Neil Barnett**, Senior Lecturer, Leeds Business School

# CONFERENCE BOOKING FORM

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