

LOWCVP NEWS

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RESET 2020: Driving the Green Recovery

LowCVP Annual Conference 2020 to ask how we can seize the opportunity for an investment-led green recovery in road transport



Taking place on-line on July 15 (11.30am) the event will provide a forum for policy ideas and proposals to help inform the Government's Transport Decarbonisation Plan, due to be published this year.

Speakers include:

- Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP, Secretary of State for Transport
- Sir John Armitt, CBE, Chair, National Infrastructure Commission
- Caroline Russell, Local Transport Spokesperson, Green Party
- Dimitri Zenghelis, Senior Associate, Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership
- Melanie Lane, Chief Executive, Shell New Motion
- Carlos Rodrigues, Managing Director, Renault Trucks UK & Ireland
- Kevin Chowings, Managing Director, NatWest Future Mobility Group For timings see full agenda
- + Delegates will vote on **specific policy proposals presented by speakers** designed to accelerate the decarbonisation of road transport.
- + 'Two-minute policy pitches' from Greenpeace; International Council on Clean Transportation; Transport & Environment; Greener Journeys; Jacobs & others.
- + Results of research into sector leaders' views (see <u>stakeholder survey</u>) asking if/how we can 'build back better' in road transport following the lockdown.

Using the latest in digital conferencing technology the conference will maximise the opportunities for interactivity (on-line polling etc), information sharing and networking.

The LowCVP Annual Conference has been a leading event in the environmental transport calendar for over 15 years, involving senior stakeholders from across government and auto/energy industries, including academia, other governmental organisations, NGOs and others.

This year's event is sponsored by Shell Recharge and DPD.

LowCVP Managing Director, **Andy Eastlake** said: "This is a critical moment for the road transport sector which has a key part to play in the transition to net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.

"Decarbonising the sector is one of the biggest challenges we face, but we could be on the verge of major change with the electrification of cars and vans gathering pace and signs of progress – though still many challenges – in larger commercial vehicle and longer-haul applications.

"The Government is consulting right now on the phase-out – by 2035 or earlier - of cars and vans with an internal combustion engine and promises to publish a Transport Decarbonisation Plan by Christmas. We want to be able to show the rest of the world what can be done for CoP26 in Glasgow in November next year.

"The Committee on Climate Change rightly concluded that decarbonisation of our economy has to be accelerated and we need some more practical and effective policies to achieve this. Our annual conference will focus discussions on many of the policy measures that will be required."

See the full conference agenda **HERE**

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES INTERESTED IN ATTENDING, PLEASE EMAIL: NEIL.WALLIS@LOWCVP.ORG.UK

NOTES TO EDITORS

General delegate bookings can be made at: www.lowcvp.org.uk/events/conference/2020
(NB A Chrome or Firefox browser is required for the best experience on the conference platform, Hopin.)

The LowCVP Annual Conference survey can be taken here.

The **LowCVP** (<u>www.lowcvp.org.uk</u>), which was established in 2003, is a public-private partnership that exists to accelerate a sustainable shift to lower carbon vehicles and fuels and create opportunities for UK businesses. Over 200 organisations are engaged from diverse backgrounds, including automotive and fuel supply chains, government, vehicle users, academics, environment groups and others.

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