

## Free #TfNTalks webinar this week to highlight decarbonisation plans for North of England

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Transport for the North will bring together an expert panel to discuss the importance of cutting carbon emissions from surface transport and how everyone can respond to the public consultation.

A free webinar is taking place this week to highlight the North of England's ambitious plans for cutting carbon emissions from surface transport.

Hosted by Transport for the North at 1pm on Wednesday 23 June, the #TfNTalks session will focus on the region's draft Decarbonisation Strategy, which is currently out for public consultation.

Surface transport is the largest contributing sector to greenhouse gas emissions in the UK, accounting for 22% of all emissions in 2019, and as such the strategy sets a target of near-zero carbon emissions from surface transport by 2045 in the North of England.

The panel for the online discussion includes:

- Peter Cole | Principal Environmental and Sustainability Officer, Transport for the North
- Piers Forster | Professor of Physical Climate Change , University of Leeds
- Dr Marilyn Comrie OBE | Director, The Blair Project, and Member of the Greater Manchester LEP
- Shelina Begum | Business Editor, TheBusinessDesk.com
- Cllr Daren Hale | Leader of Hull City Council and Transport for the North Board Member

They will discuss the challenges facing the North when it comes to decarbonising transport; provide further insight into the strategy; and explain how everyone can provide their feedback on the consultation.

Tim Wood, Interim Chief Executive at Transport for the North, said: “Reducing carbon across our region’s transport network is an essential part of tackling the climate emergency – one of the greatest challenges of our time. We’re thrilled to be consulting a strategy for the whole region that outlines how rapid progress can be made and how the North can lead the UK in slashing carbon emissions.

“We urge everyone to get involved in this vital work and provide their views to the consultation, helping to shape future transport networks that are not only efficient and reliable, but are sustainable too.”

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