



SUMMIT AGENDA

08:30–09:30	REGISTRATION, NETWORKING & REFRESHMENTS
09:30–09:50	STEPHEN EDWARDS, CHAIR, UKTRAM: <i>WELCOME TO THE 2026 SUMMIT</i>
09:50–10:10	JAMES HAMMETT, UKTRAM MANAGING DIRECTOR: <i>UKTRAM UPDATE</i>
10:10–10:30	LOUISE THORNTON, BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER: <i>SUPPORTING THE RAILWAY CHILDREN CHARITY</i>
10:30–10:50	LEO MURRAY, CO-FOUNDER, RIDING SUNBEAMS: <i>DECARBONISING RAIL TRACTION</i>
10:50–11:10	JOANNE SMEDLEY, HEAD OF SERVICE DELIVERY KEOLIS NOTTINGHAM: <i>TRY A TRAM</i>
11:10–11:30	REFRESHMENT BREAK
11:30–11:50	KEOLISAMEY DOCKLANDS: <i>CUSTOMER INITIATIVES & PASSENGER-FOCUSED SERVICE</i>
11:50–12:10	PAUL ALLEN, PROFESSOR OF RAILWAY ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF HUDDERSFIELD: <i>RESEARCH AND INNOVATION PERSPECTIVES</i>
12:10–13:00	LUNCH AND NETWORKING
13:00–13:30	AMY WATSON, FOUNDER - HASSL: <i>FIX THE CULTURE NOT THE WOMEN</i>
13:30–13:50	CARL WILLIAMS, CEO, LRSSB: <i>LIGHT RAIL SAFETY AND STANDARDS BOARD UPDATE</i>



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13:50–14:10

LRSSB/CIRAS:
THE UNDERREPORTING PROJECT

14:10–14:30

MICHAEL SOLOMON WILLIAMS, HEAD OF CAMPAIGNS AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, CAMPAIGN FOR BETTER TRANSPORT

14:30–14:50

DAVID FIELDER, SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER: STRATHCLYDE PARTNERSHIP FOR TRANSPORT: *SUBWAY MODERNISATION*

14:50–15:10

ALEX SPROTT, DEPUTY DIRECTOR - RAILWAY SAFETY DIRECTORATE, ORR: *HOW THE UK RAIL RESEARCH AND INNOVATION NETWORK (UKRRIN) CAN SUPPORT THE LIGHT RAIL SECTOR*

15:10–16:00

JAMES HAMMETT, MANAGING DIRECTOR, UKTRAM: QUIZ AND CLOSING REMARKS

16:00–19:00

DRINKS RECEPTION, BUFFET & NETWORKING AT THE MALT HOUSE (NEXT DOOR TO AUSTIN COURT)

VENUE: IET BIRMINGHAM: AUSTIN COURT, 80 CAMBRIDGE ST, BIRMINGHAM, B1 2NP

GETTING HERE

Tram: 5 mins from Grand Central → Library Centenary Square + 5 min walk.

Parking: Limited at Austin Court. Alternative parking available at Utilita Arena Birmingham (NIA) and nearby city centre car parks.

4:00–7:00pm The Malt House (next door to Austin Court) Join for an informal networking reception with a complimentary buffet.



Unable to attend?

If your plans change and you're no longer able to attend, please email danielhill@uktram.co.uk as soon as possible. The Summit is fully booked, and we can therefore offer your place to someone on our waiting list.