

On Tuesday September 11th, an important meeting took place in Westminster to follow up the SoS. Chris Grayling's announcement in February.

As with the last November 1 2017 meeting, this meeting was sponsored by Andrew Stephenson MP (Pendle) and John Grogan MP (Keighley), and chaired by SELRAP.

The number and quality of the attendees was a tribute to the importance of the topic, and the hard work needed to coordinate so many diaries.

On this occasion, the SELRAP presentation focussed on the key benefits of housing, economic growth and regeneration. This was followed by two presentations on the progress of the corridor studies, one from Transport for the North, and the other by Network Rail. It was clear in both cases that the investigations are progressing, and the reports are still expected in October.

The presentations were followed by a lively Q&A session, with support for SELRAP's proposition much in evidence. Overall, we are pleased with the level of support shown, and the direction of travel looks positive.

The new SELRAP prospectus was given out at the end, and was well received (electronic copy available from the website - see landing page).

LIST OF DELEGATES

Organisers	Parliamentary
Andrew Stephenson MP (Pendle) joint host John Grogan - MP (Keighley) joint host Peter Bryson - SELRAP - meeting chair Andy Shackleton -SELRAP David Mawdsley - SELRAP	Philip Davies MP (Shipley) Naz Shah MP or PA (Bradford West) Graham Jones MP (Hyndburn) Julian Smith MP (Skipton & Ripon) + PA Julie Cooper MP (Burnley) PA for Jake Berry Powerhouse Minister PA for Nigel Adams MP (Selby & Ainsty)
Local Authorities	Organisations
Craven District Council West Yorkshire Combined Authority North Yorkshire County Council Lancashire County Council (2)	Dept. for Transport Transport for the North Drax Power Arriva Northern Network Rail Amey Ventures Skipton Building Society Peel Ports Arup