Understanding the Geography
Rail Context

Rail in the North –

• Performance on average not good enough
• Capacity – for freight and passenger
• Quality of trains and stations
• Network issues
• Fares
• Level of subsidy

For the North we want a **Connected Network**

Rail Plan 7 Objectives
• double annual rail patronage
• improve passenger satisfaction scores
• secure better value for money for passengers and tax payers
• exploit the benefits of high speed rail
Delivering the Rail Strategy

• Stations – both new and regenerated
• Short term infrastructure enhancements
• CP5 Investment
• Rail North
• West Yorkshire plus York Transport Fund
• Yorkshire Rail Network Study - £12bn of benefits
• High Speed Rail
HS2 Integration

Investment needed to ensure …

• HS2 is properly integrated with the existing network

• A truly multi-modal connectivity package spreads the benefits

• East to West links are enhanced
Questions ?
High Speed Rail Connected to our Regions

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**Key Speaker:** Baroness Kramer, Senior Minister of State for Transport

**Speakers:**

- Geoff Inskip, Chief Executive, Centro
- John Worthington, Commissioner of the Independent Transport Commission and Chairman of the ITC High Speed Rail Working Group
- Cllr James Lewis, Chair of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority Transport Committee
Refreshments

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