



# British-Irish COUNCIL

## TRANSPORT MINISTERIAL MEETING

Belfast, 4 April 2025

### Communiqué

The British-Irish Council held a Transport Ministerial Meeting today in Belfast, hosted by the Northern Ireland Executive and chaired by Minister for Infrastructure Liz Kimmins MLA and Pam Cameron MLA, Junior Minister in the Executive.

#### **Discussion on the activity of the Transport Work Sector 2021-24**

The British-Irish Council was established in 1999 under the terms of the Belfast/Good Friday Agreement, and Transport was one of the original areas of activity. Ministers agreed that the BIC Transport Work Sector has been a valuable forum for ongoing cooperation in sharing information and experiences of developing and implementing transport policy.

Ministers outlined developments in transport in their administrations over the last year. They also considered and approved a Forward Work Plan for the BIC Transport Work Sector for the period 2025-27, with primary focus on the following themes:

- **Modal shift/active travel/public transport**
- **Importance of HGV and linkages across these islands**
- **Decarbonisation of Ports**
- **Sustainable transport in rural areas**

Ministers also heard a presentation on ‘*The role of Professional Engineering Institutions, such as the Institution of Civil Engineers*’ by David Porter of the Institution of Civil Engineers.

A full list of Ministerial participants is attached.

**BIC Secretariat**  
**4 April 2025**

### List of Ministerial Delegates

<b>Government of Guernsey</b>	Deputy Lindsay de Sausmarez, President of the Committee for the Environment and Infrastructure
<b>Government of Ireland</b>	Darragh O'Brien TD, Minister for Transport
<b>Isle of Man Government</b>	Hon Michelle Haywood MHK, Minister for Infrastructure
<b>Government of Jersey</b>	Andy Jehan, Minister for Infrastructure
<b>Northern Ireland Executive (Chair)</b>	Liz Kimmins MLA, Minister for Infrastructure Minister Pam Cameron MLA, Junior Minister in the Executive
<b>Scottish Government</b>	Fiona Hyslop MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Transport
<b>UK Government</b>	Simon Lightwood MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Local Transport)