

# WORCESTERSHIRE LEP ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2017

*Creating Our Future*

Friday 1 December 2017 - Regent Centre, Chateau Impney, Droitwich Spa

## Conference Programme

Subject to updates and minor alterations

### 7:15 – 8:30 Registration Desk Open

[Foyer, Ground Level]

Breakfast refreshments available from 7:45am  
[Level 1, Gallery & Balcony Suites]

Your opportunity to visit the exhibition stands  
[Ground Level, Broadway Suite and Level 1, Gallery & Balcony Suites]

### 07:30 – 8:30 Healthy Business Breakfast

[Corbett Suite, Level 1]

Breakfast refreshments will be served in the Corbett Suite from 7:15am

Optional walk-in pre-conference session and discussions. Innovative 'healthy' stories of business growth and creativity in Worcestershire.

**Andy Swain**, Director, Elite Healthcare Distribution

**Richard Barnes**, Inventor of the Body Volume Index and CEO/Founder of Select Research

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### 08:30 MAIN CONFERENCE START [Ground Level, Broadway Suite]

Musical intro by the Worcestershire Youth Jazz Orchestra

*Sponsored by The Training Academy*

### 08:40 Welcome and Scene Setting

**Mary Rhodes**, Conference Host

### What do you think? – Live Voting Take 1

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### 08:50 What's the bigger story?

**Mark Stansfeld**, Chair, Worcestershire LEP

### 09:05 Connectivity – The Digital Story

*A Connected County - what does that mean?*

**Marcus Burton**, Non-Executive Director, Yamazaki Mazak UK Ltd.

*Joined for the 'Application Reality Check' by:*

**Keith Robson**, Chief Operating Officer, 5G Innovation Centre, University of Surrey

**David Plumb**, Chief Digital Officer passionate about helping businesses

### What do you think? – Live Voting Take 2

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### 10:00 Refreshments, Networking

Your opportunity to visit the Business Support Zone and Exhibition stands [Ground Level, Broadway Suite & Level 1, Gallery & Balcony Suite]

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10:35	<b>Welcome Back!</b> Musical interlude provided by the Worcestershire Youth Jazz Orchestra	<i>Sponsored by The Training Academy</i>
10:40	<b>What has been achieved? &amp; Where are we going?</b> <b>Gary Woodman</b> , Chief Executive, Worcestershire LEP <b>Ian Edwards</b> , Deputy Chief Executive, Worcestershire LEP	
11:05	<b>Keynote – The Rise of the Humans</b> <b>Dave Coplin</b> , Author, Alchemist, Catalyst, Founder and CEO of The Envisioners	
11:55	<b>A Young and Positive Worcestershire</b> Featuring Young Apprentices, winners of the Worcestershire Apprenticeship Awards <b>Ryan Shemwell</b> , UK Operations Manager, Green Lighting Ltd <b>Victoria Rawlings</b> , Relationship Manager, Titania <b>Pippa Dressler-Pearson</b> , Project Technician, Southco	
<b>What do you think? – Live Voting Take 3</b>		<i>Sponsored by EBC Group</i>
12:30	<b>Worcestershire Business Champions</b> <i>Recognising key stakeholders who have contributed significantly to key growth and developments in Worcestershire.</i>  <i>Time to award the ‘Tweet of the Day’ - sponsored by Bishop Fleming</i>	
12:50	<b>Closing remarks</b> <b>Mark Stansfeld</b> , Chair, Worcestershire LEP	
13:00	<b>Networking Lunch and final opportunity to visit:</b> Business Support Zone and Exhibition stands [Ground Level, Broadway Suite & Level 1, Gallery & Balcony Suite]	<i>Sponsored by Hewett Recruitment</i>
14:00	<b>Conference Close</b>	

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