

Kent's European Relationship Select Committee – 7th January 11.00 a.m.

Biographical information:

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Stephen Gasche

Stephen Gasche has worked for Kent County Council (KCC) since 2008, when he was appointed as Public Transport Team Leader (East Kent). During his time with KCC Stephen has developed strong partnership working with HS1, Eurostar, Conseil Regional Nord Pas de Calais, Network Rail, Southeastern Railway and Gatwick Airport Ltd.

Stephen was appointed to his present post as Principal Transport Planner – Rail in 2012, with responsibility for ensuring the delivery of the key recommendations in the Council's Rail Action Plan for Kent. This Action Plan includes the Council's aspirations for the development of Kent's domestic and international rail services on HS1.

Stephen is a Chartered Member of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport.

SUGGESTED THEMES FOR MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

1. International Affairs – background and development of the Group's Brussels 'arm'
2. Range of activities in support of KCC evolving priorities
3. Partnership work and networks
4. How does International Affairs deliver KCC's priorities with European funding?
5. Influencing at international, national and local level – key learning points to date, opportunities and risks for the future
6. Transport Project case study: ROCK including background, progress to date, benefits and any challenges/disbenefits, project aims, future plans and implications for Kent (including the Ashford Spurs project), costs to KCC and 'value' to KCC and Kent