## **Bus Transport Select Committee**

## **Biography**

## Dai Powell, Chief Executive, HCT Group

Dai Powell is the Chief Executive of HCT Group - a large-scale, award-winning social enterprise in the transport industry, operating transport and training services from ten depots across London, Yorkshire, the southwest and the Channel Islands. Dai has been Chief Executive since 1993, leading the organisation as it has grown by more than a hundredfold – from a small community transport provider into a national social enterprise.

Dai won the 2015 Ernst and Young UK Social Entrepreneur of the Year award and the 2012 SEUK Social Enterprise Leader of the Year award and is a board member of Big Society Capital. He holds a Level 3 Vocational Certificate in the use of Industrial Explosives and an honorary PhD in Social Entrepreneurship from the University of Northampton. Dai was awarded an OBE in 2006 for services to disabled people."

## Julia Meek, Head of Business Development, HCT Group

Julia leads business development for HCT, including working on innovation projects related to Total Transport, new procurement approaches and opportunities relating to the Bus Services Bill.