

APSE Northern Region – Roads to Resilience

Innovative and smart solutions for local authority highways, and fleet



Thursday 6 August 2026

Van Coulter Suite, APSE 3rd Floor, Trafford House,
Chester Road, Manchester, M32 0RS

Programme

10.00 Registration and coffee

10.30 Session One

Welcome by the Chair

How to achieve a 42% reduction in road and footway defects in a year!

- Developing a system of faster, smarter repairs
- Taking better control of utility works
- Implementing innovative practices to achieve results

Peter McGeoch, Highways Group Manager, Lancashire County Council

Resilience requires adaptability

- Other sector approaches (Emergency Services and Aviation)
- Resilience for Roads (reactive vs proactive)
- Impact of innovation

Josh Sweeney, Director of Marketing and Growth, Multevo

Audience question and answer session

11.15 Coffee and Networking

11.45 Session Two

Progress with Unity – A new era for Wigan

- The role of highway infrastructure in the council's New Era
- Highways Asset Management for delivering highways services
- Transforming through innovation

Martin Barton, Service Lead, Highways and Network Manager, Wigan Council

From cold weather response to climate resilience

- Cold weather response to climate resilience
- Mobilising to adapt
- Planning for our worst day

Carl Gillyon, Head of Highway Network Management, East Riding of Yorkshire

Audience question and answer session

APSE Update

Vickie Hacking, Principal Advisor, APSE

12.30 Networking and Lunch

13.00 Close

Booking Information

About the Seminar

This **APSE Northern Region** event highlights innovative and sustainable approaches being used by councils to improve highways, fleet, and transport operations, including smart technologies and climate positive practices.

Delegate Packages The delegate fee covers attendance, delegates' documentation and lunch/refreshments.

What's included?

The delegate fee covers attendance and delegates' documentation.

APSE Northern Region Members Delegate Fee:	FREE OF CHARGE
APSE member delegate fee (Non-Northern Region)	£199 + VAT per person
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Venue

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