

Driving to the Future: Options and Opportunities for Older Drivers

In association with Age UK and the Forum of Mobility Centres

Friday 27th May 2016, The Wing, Silverstone Circuit, Northamptonshire



- 10.00 Reception and coffee
- 10.30 Introduction and welcome
- 10.40 Keynote address: Dispelling the Myths about Older Drivers
Elizabeth Box, Head of Research RAC Foundation (confirmed)

Session 1: Older drivers: More or less satisfied?

- 11.00 *Anthony Smith, Chief Executive, Transport Focus (confirmed)*
- 11.15 Open Discussion

Session 2: Car design and technology: What does the future hold for older drivers?

- 11.30 Getting in, getting comfortable: Designing for older motorists
Dr Andrew Paton, Marketing and Device Manager, Ford of Europe (invited)
- 11.45 Driverless cars: Will they really help older drivers?
Iain Forbes, the Head of the Centre for Connected and Autonomous Vehicles at the Department of Transport (confirmed)
- 12.00 Open Discussion

Session 3: Making the right choice – what to look for and what to avoid

- 12.15 Pain free driving: Seating and control adaptations for older drivers
Forum Posture & Seating experts and European Mobility Group (invited)
- 12.35 Taking advice: understanding and testing the options
Isabel Coe, CEO East Anglian DriveAbility and Colin Barnett, CEO Regional Driving Assessment Centre Birmingham (confirmed)
- 12.55 Open Discussion
- 13.10 Lunch (at The Mobility Roadshow)

Session 4: Fitness to drive: The Medical View: Do doctors know enough about the issues?

- 14.30 *Chris Green, Head of Medical Licensing Policy, DVLA (invited)*
- 14.45 *Darren Mercieca, Regional Liaison Adviser for the General Medical Council (confirmed)*
- 15.00 Open Discussion

Session 5: When it's time to stop

- 15.20 Helping older drivers know when it is time to stop
Barry Clift, Occupational Therapist, North West Driving Assessment Service (confirmed)
- 15.35 The Car Freedom Project: Giving up Driving needn't be the end of the road
Steve Cassidy and Beth Garner, Future Mobility Design, Viaqqio, ESP Group (confirmed)
- 15.50 Open Discussion
- 16.10 Round up and close

