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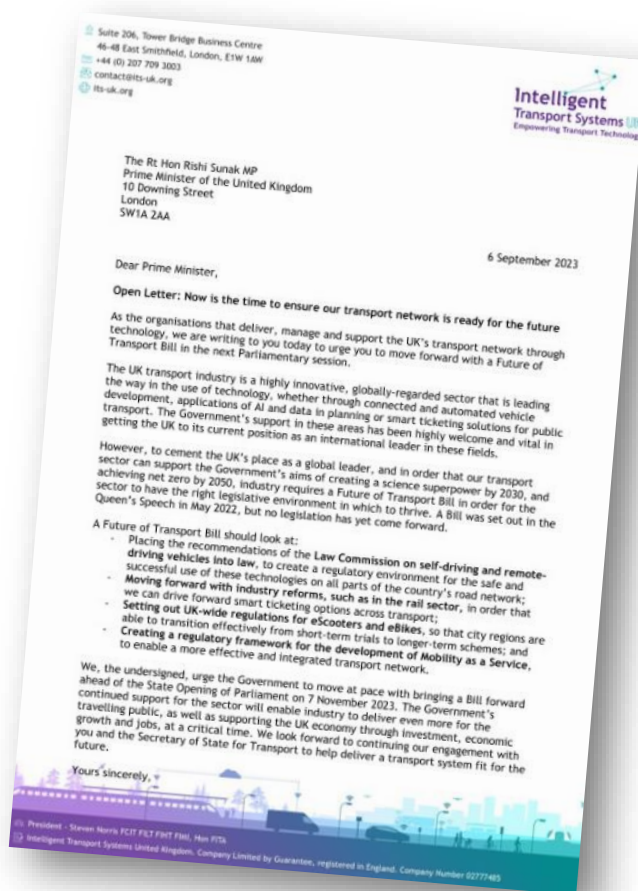**ITS Now backs letter to the Prime Minister calling for Future of Transport Bill**

ITS Now has added its signature to a letter, alongside over 50 organisations, calling for the Prime Minister to introduce a Future of Transport Bill.

The open letter, organised by **Intelligent Transport Systems (UK)**, the voice of the transport technology sector, highlights the need for a bill in order to deliver the right environment for transport innovation to continue to thrive in the UK.

The letter sets out the need for a Bill to set out regulations for self- and remote-driving vehicles, move forward with industry reforms in sectors like rail and to enable smarter ticketing, provide certainty on the future of micro-mobility schemes and support the development of Mobility as a Service (MaaS).

Alistair Gollop, Founder of ITS Now (www.itsnow.org), said, "*It is vital that the UK's established position as an innovator in the transport technology sector is not allowed to erode, due to the lack of a Future of Transport Bill from the Government. This is important, not just from an economic stance, but also as a response to the climate emergency.*"

Max Sugarman, Chief Executive of Intelligent Transport Systems UK (ITS UK), said: "*The UK is home to some of the most innovative transport technology companies in the world, including in areas like connected and autonomous vehicles, smart ticketing, micro-mobility and Mobility as a Service. For the sector to continue to thrive, it needs a Future of Transport Bill that allows the industry to move forward with new technology. With a bill promised in the 2022 Queen's Speech, it is now more urgent than ever that we see legislation introduced. We urge the Prime Minister to bring a bill forward in November, when the King opens Parliament, and look forward to working with Government going forward to support our transport sector, with the jobs, economic growth and investment it provides.*"

Notes to Editors

ITS Now - Intelligent Transport Systems - Explained

Bio

Alistair Gollop is the Founder of **ITS Now** which exists to promote best practice and professional development within the Intelligent Transport Systems (ITS) sector. **ITS Now** originates resources ranging from videos, reference books and guidance documents through to informative references and educational content. A recognised Intelligent Transport Systems industry figure with over 30 years in-depth experience, resulting in an extensive specialist knowledge of traffic systems. A former Technical Principal at Mott MacDonald, he has particular experience in preliminary equipment assessments, due diligence reports, field trials and integration into traffic systems and has a detailed knowledge of specialist technologies and equipment, standards and statutory requirements, along with ancillary issues, such as passive safety and the implications these pose on the design and management of traffic system installations. As well as the UK, Alistair has worked in diverse locations across Europe, South America, Africa, the Middle East, Asia and Australasia. He is the author of the well-respected "Traffic Signals" and "Traffic Control" books, along with numerous articles for publications. In addition to presenting at conferences, he is also a panellist and facilitator at events. He also sits on the board of The Institute of Highway Engineers, where he is currently the Vice-chair of the Professional Development Portfolio.

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