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Tourism Policy in 14 mins...?

- A new tourism strategy coming in September?
- A new Visitor Economy Advisory Council – off to a bad start
- Inbound growth target 50m visits by 2030
- A completed LVEP picture? A future for DDPs?





The Budget

- NICs increases
- Minimum/Living Wage increases
- Business rates relief reductions
- Very difficult trading environments



No time to discuss...

- ETAs for inbound, EES/ETIAS for outbound
- Apprenticeship levy reform
- Business rates reform
- EU-UK relations inc TCA review in 2026
- Comprehensive Spending Review
- English devolution
- Employment rights reform
- Tax-free shopping
- International competitiveness
- And....tourism taxes

