



WELCOME

Welcome to the latest edition of the Public Appointments Newsletter. This newsletter contains information about upcoming public appointments, as well as updates from the Public Appointments Policy Team in the Cabinet Office.

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND AND WALES WEBINAR

In September the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW) hosted two webinars to raise awareness of public appointments among their members. The sessions covered the appointments process in the UK and Scotland, how to find out more about the opportunities available and also the role of a public sector non-executive. Julia Lopez, Parliamentary Secretary to the Cabinet Office with ministerial responsibility for appointments recorded a welcome message and panellists included Jim Harra, Chief Executive of HMRC, Kathryn Cearn OBE, Chair of the Office of Tax Simplification and holder of a number of other government positions, Louise Greenrod (Deputy Director, Public Appointments Policy Team) and representatives from Scottish Parliament and Scottish Government.

Both webinars finished with an online Q&A session that covered topics including the differences between public appointments and private sector board roles and finding the right first public appointment role. Early feedback has shown that these sessions were well received and informative, while improving understanding of the process amongst ICAEW members as well as sparking an interest in younger members to consider applying.

There is more information about ICAEW on their website [here](#).



NATIONAL INCLUSION WEEK

National Inclusion week took place from 28 September to 4 October, providing an opportunity to share and promote inspirational inclusion practices and culture and celebrate everyday inclusion in all its forms. Over the week, we featured a series of reflections on our Twitter ([@publicappts](#)) and LinkedIn pages ([HM Government Public Appointments](#)) from current appointees outlining why they applied to become a public appointee, what the role has given them and what they enjoy most about this work. These included:

- An article ([attached here](#)) from Carl Stychin, Non-Executive Director at the NHS Counter Fraud Authority, as he talks about why he became a NED and what he has gained through experience.
- This quote from Aman Sharma, Board Member of Building Regulations Advisory Committee (BRAC), you can read his story on why he applied to become a public appointee [here](#).



CURRENT APPOINTMENT VACANCIES

A selection of current vacancies is below. To see all vacancies please visit the [Public Appointments website](#) where you can sign up to receive alerts when new appointments are advertised. You can filter by sector and/or skill to find opportunities most of interest to you.

Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy

Chair - Regulatory Policy Committee

<https://publicappointments.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/appointment/regulatory-policy-committee-chair/>

The Regulatory Policy Committee is seeking someone to lead a committee of independent members. The Committee provides robust and objective advice to Government, Parliament, and the wider public regarding the quality of evidence and analysis supporting decisions on proposed changes to legislation that impact or regulate businesses. Deadline 25 October 2020.

Chair - Coal Authority

<https://publicappointments.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/appointment/coal-authority-chair/>

Do you want to make a better future for people and the environment in mining areas across England, Scotland and Wales? If this interests you, we would like to hear from you. This is an exciting opportunity to lead the Coal Authority as it continues to protect people, drinking water and the environment from our mining legacy and works across government and commercially to provide services, expertise and opportunity from mine assets to help deliver on net zero carbon policies and support the economy. Deadline 25 October 2020.

Commissioner - Small Businesses Commissioner

<https://publicappointments.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/appointment/small-business-commissioner-3/>

We are seeking a Small Business Commissioner to play a vital role in promoting the interests of small businesses. Applicants must have the determination to persevere and a real commitment to supporting UK small businesses struggling with late payments, with expertise in the challenges facing both large and small businesses. Deadline 25 October 2020.

Non-Executive Director x2 - Met Office

<https://publicappointments.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/appointment/met-office-non-executive-directors-x2/>

The Met Office is seeking two Non-Executive Directors to join their Board. You will have an important and demanding role and will provide a valuable external perspective to the organisation. Deadline 1 November 2020.

Department of Health & Social Care

Members - Human Tissue Authority (HTA)

<https://publicappointments.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/appointment/member-of-the-human-tissue-authority-vac-1696/>

The HTA is overseen by an Authority of lay and professional members appointed by the Government. They regulate organisations that remove, store and use human tissue for research, medical treatment, post-mortem examination, education and training, and display in public. They also give approval for organ and bone marrow donations from living people. The interests of the public are central to the HTA's work. They build on the confidence people have in regulation by ensuring that human tissue and organs are used safely and ethically, and with proper consent. Deadline 6 October 2020.



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Ministry of Defence

Independent Members - Scientific Advisory Committee on the Medical Implications of Less-Lethal Weapons

<https://publicappointments.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/appointment/independent-member-of-the-scientific-advisory-committee-on-the-medical-implications-of-less-lethal-weapons-sacmill/>

We are looking for a number of Independent Members to join the Scientific Advisory Committee on the Medical Implications of Less-Lethal Weapons (SACMILL). The Committee is responsible for issuing independent statements on the medical implications of the use of specific less-lethal weapon systems, when used in accordance with published operational guidance provided to users. Deadline 23 October 2020.

Members - Veterans Advisory and Pension Committees

<https://publicappointments.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/search-appointments/results/>

We are looking for a number of new Members across the UK region to join the Veterans Advisory and Pension Committees. Members will play a central role in promoting the interests and welfare of Veterans and their families. Each Committee's main functions are to Act as an advocate for implementing the Armed Forces Covenant; raise awareness, within the region, assist veterans and their families in accessing local support services and much more. Please apply for the relevant region. Deadline 23 October.

UPCOMING APPOINTMENTS

The roles below are expected to launch in the next few weeks on the HM Government Public Appointments website. If you have a particular interest in any of these roles, remember you can set notifications on the website to let you know when they go live. To set up notifications, log into your account and select to add a new search. You can then filter by keyword, sector, region and Department, and select to receive email notifications either daily or weekly.

Department of Health & Social Care

- Members at the [Review body on Doctors' and Dentists' Remuneration \(DDR\)](#)
- Chair for the [Food Standards Agency \(FSA\)](#)
- Chair and Members for the [Commission on Human Medicines \(CHM\)](#)
- Chair for the [Committee on Mutagenicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products & The Environment \(COM\)](#)



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Current vacancies can be found on the Public Appointments website <https://publicappointments.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/>. We welcome applications from a wide range of candidates who can demonstrate they have the required skills. We particularly encourage applications from talented individuals from across the UK, including women, disabled and ethnic minority candidates, as well as candidates from other groups which are underrepresented within public appointments.

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The Public Appointments team are live on Twitter and LinkedIn featuring headlines on public appointments that you may find interesting. Our social media handles are listed below.



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