Anne Kavanagh and Clare Shine appointed to The Crown Estate Board

News story

On the recommendation of the Prime Minister, Anne Kavanagh and Clare Shine are appointed as new members of The Crown Estate Board.



Anne and Clare have been appointed by Royal Warrant to the Board of The Crown Estate. Both started as Commissioners on 4 July for an initial period of four years.

Anne Kavanagh has an extensive track record in transforming and growing global businesses, working closely with investors and occupiers and driving diversity and sustainability. Anne was recently named Chief Executive Officer of Telford Homes, a Trammell Crow Company developer. She was a Board Member and Chief Investment Officer at PATRIZIA until June 2022, where she was instrumental in helping the company grow to manage more than €55 billion in real assets. Anne also sponsored PATRIZIA's debut impact investment strategy, Sustainable Communities, which launched with €125m of seed capital to invest in affordable and social housing across Europe. She has also held leadership roles at AXA Real Assets, Lazard, Cambridge Place Investment Management and JLL. She is a trustee of the Urban Land Institute and Global Board Member. She also serves on the advisory board of Cambridge University's master's degree in Real Estate Finance.

Clare Shine has worked across the world on sustainable development, organisational change and culture since 1990 and was appointed Director and CEO of the University of Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership (CISL) in 2021. She is a UK-qualified barrister with extensive experience as an independent environmental lawyer and policy adviser, including 15 years working on cross-sector marine and coastal strategy and planning, climate change and biodiversity. Clare was previously Vice President at Salzburg Global Seminar and is a member of the Santander X Innovation Xperts Board, an Associate of the Institute for European Environmental Policy, and a member of the IUCN Commission on Environmental Law and the World Commission on Protected Areas.

Further information

Appointments and re-appointments of The Crown Estate Commissioners are Crown Appointments made on the recommendation of the Chancellor and Prime Minister.

Non-Executive appointments are made in line with the Governance Code on Public Appointments and regulated by the Commissioner for Public Appointments.

All appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process. However, in accordance with the original Nolan recommendations, there is a requirement for appointees' political activity (if any declared) to be made public. Anne Kavanagh and Clare Shine have confirmed that they have not engaged in any political activity in the last 5 years.

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