

HMRC appoints interim Chief Digital and Information Officer

Mark Denney has been appointed as interim Chief Digital and Information Officer (CDIO) to take forward HMRC's ambitious digital transformation agenda.

Mark is a senior change and IT executive with broad experience in digital transformation, payments infrastructure, technology and strategic change. He replaces Jacky Wright, who has returned to Microsoft, as planned, after her 2-year stint at HMRC.

Mark's appointment will provide continuity for the department until a permanent CDIO has been recruited. Following [Jim Harra's confirmation as Chief Executive and First Permanent Secretary](#), recruitment for the permanent CDIO role will start in the near future.

Mark spent more than a decade at Barclays, latterly as Managing Director, Chief Information Officer and Head of Change at Barclays Corporate Bank and Payments, before leaving last year to take up contracting roles. He previously held senior positions at JP Morgan Chase and GE Capital.

[Jim Harra](#), HMRC's Chief Executive and First Permanent Secretary, said:

I'm delighted to welcome Mark to HMRC as our new Chief Digital and Information Officer. He was an exceptional candidate and his appointment enables us to continue our transformation to a digitally-enabled, world-class organisation.

His experience in technological change and payments infrastructure is particularly relevant for us as we expand our online services to business and personal customers and implement the digital strategy we've developed over the past 2 years.

Mark Denney said:

I'm really looking forward to joining HMRC at such an exciting time and to having the opportunity to build on the achievements of Jacky Wright.

Mark will take up his role on 11 November 2019.