

[News story: Updated announcement from Dr Gillian Fairfield, DBS Chairman](#)

Dr Gillian Fairfield, Chairman of the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS), made the following announcement earlier this week:

“Adele Downey, DBS Chief Executive since 2016, will shortly be retiring. I am pleased to announce that Paul Whiting, Chief Finance Officer, will take on the role as the acting Chief Executive and Accounting Officer of DBS from 1 May 2019. Recruitment for a substantive Chief Executive is underway.

I am also very happy to announce the appointment of Samantha Durrant and Mary Cunneen as Non-Executive Directors of the DBS Board, from 1 April 2019. A third interim Non-Executive is soon to be announced. I look forward to working with all our new Board members.”

As a follow-up to this, a third interim Non-Executive Director has now been appointed:

“I am very happy to announce the appointment of David Banks as an interim Non-Executive Director of the DBS Board, from 8 April 2019. I look forward to welcoming and working with David.”

More information regarding our Non-Executive Directors and Board Members can be found in the Management section of our [GOV.UK home page](#).