

# Non-executive director appointments at GAD

The Government Actuary's Department (GAD) announces the appointment of Alison White and Ian Wilson as non-executive directors on 1st September 2019.

## Alison White

Alison is an experienced Non-Executive Director and Chair, who works with a range of public sector organisations undergoing transition and change. Her executive background is in business. Having qualified as an accountant and MBA, she led operations and commercial business for the Royal Mail Group and then for the next five years, a range of businesses in turnaround as an interim Chief Executive. Alison's portfolio of public appointments include her role as Chair of the General Osteopathic Council, Chair of the Architects Registration Board and Lead Non-Executive Director for the Wales Office. Her skills mean she blends strong strategic, financial and commercial skills, with professional expertise in corporate governance, risk management, stakeholder engagement, board accountability, proportionate regulation and the transformation of organisational performance. Alison will chair GAD's Audit and Risk Assurance Committee.

## Ian Wilson

Ian is a Chartered Accountant and was previously the Director of Business Services at Network Rail where he was responsible for the delivery of shared services across the organisation. Prior to joining Network Rail in 2013, Ian worked in the global IT industry with Hewlett Packard for more than 20 years where he held a number of senior international finance and business services roles. His other roles currently include being Chair of EDS UK Pension Funds since November 2017, non-executive director with the Ministry of Defence's Defence Business Services Risk and Assurance Committee since May 2018 and Non-Executive Director with BPDS Limited since June 2018.

Commenting on the appointments Martin Clarke, Government Actuary, said: "GAD has a highly capable group of talented actuaries who are dedicated to public service. I am delighted about these recent appointments to our Management Board and Audit and Risk Assurance Committee. I look forward to their contributions in improving the department's capability and value for money."

Martin Clarke, Government Actuary

## Notes:

Alison and Ian will replace Angela Marshall and Louise Redmond who were both appointed as non-executive directors in September 2013 on 3-year appointments. These were both renewed for a further 3 years in 2016. Alison and Ian will join Geoffrey Podger who has been Chair of GAD's Management Board since November 2015, also on a 3-year appointment, which was renewed

for a further 3 years in 2018.