

# Office of Tax Simplification: Board membership changes

Press release

John Cullinane and Kathleen Russ have been reappointed as OTS Board members.



The Chancellor has re-appointed John Cullinane and Kathleen Russ to the board of the Office of Tax Simplification (OTS), with effect from 28 November 2021.

OTS Chair, Kathryn Cearn's OBE said:

I am delighted that John and Kathleen have been re-appointed as members of the board, and will continue to be able to inform the work of the OTS as it develops.

## **Further Information**

The OTS was established in 2010 to provide advice to the Chancellor on simplifying the UK tax system and was made a permanent, independent office of HM Treasury in July 2015. It was put on a statutory footing in the Finance Act 2016, [which took effect from 28 November 2016](#).

John Cullinane and Kathleen Russ were [originally appointed to the OTS board](#) in August 2016.

The members of the OTS Board, and its observers, are now:

- Kathryn Cearn's OBE (Chair)
- Bill Dodwell (Tax Director)
- John Cullinane
- Kathleen Russ
- Professor Judith Freedman CBE
- Paul Aplin OBE
- Beth Russell CB (HM Treasury)
- Jonathan Athow (HMRC)

- Dame Teresa Graham DBE (Observer)

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