Sir Terence Orby Conran

Sir Terence is an internationally-renowned designer, restaurateur, retailer and author. He began his career in design over six decades ago, one of his earliest projects was designing a shop interior for Mary Quant and then opening the first Habitat store, later developing it into a global chain. He also founded The Conran Shop and co-founded Benchmark Furniture. His architectural and interior design business Conran and Partners played a major role in the regeneration of Butlers Wharf area of London. He has opened many popular restaurants, including Bibendum and Quaglino’s. His passion to support education in design led to him founding and financing The Design Museum and he was Provost of the Royal College of Art for almost a decade.

Sir Mark Philip Elder CBE

Sir Mark is a world-renowned conductor who has served as Music Director of the English National Opera; Principal Guest Conductor of the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra, BBC Symphony Orchestra and the London Mozart Players; and Principal Artist of the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment. Now Music Director of the Hallé Orchestra, he has restored it to the highest musical standards after a period when its continuing existence was in doubt.

Dame Beryl Elizabeth Grey DBE

Dame Beryl had a glittering career as a ballerina. She was the first English dancer to guest with the Kirov and Bolshoi ballet companies and the first Western guest artist to appear with the Peking Ballet and Shanghai Company. She was artistic director of the London Festival Ballet (now the English National Ballet). She continues to serve as President of the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing, Vice-President of the Royal Academy of Dancing and President of English National Ballet.
Sir James Paul McCartney MBE

Sir Paul is a singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist who gained worldwide fame with The Beatles. His song-writing partnership with John Lennon was the most celebrated of the twentieth century. After The Beatles disbanded, he pursued a solo career and formed the band Wings, whose release of *Mull of Kintyre* was one of the all-time best-selling singles in the UK. A 21-time Grammy Award winner, he has written or co-written 32 songs that have reached Number One.

Nicholas Herbert, Baron Stern Of Brentford

Lord Stern, Professor of Economics and Government at the London School of Economics and President of the British Academy, is one of the world’s most respected experts on climate change. Previously Chief Economist at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and then at the World Bank, his 2006 Review of the Economics of Climate Change has been seminal in shaping international understanding of the threat posed by climate change and helped shape the 2015 UN Paris Agreement which introduced mutually-agreed targets for reductions in carbon emissions around the world. He has also been a Trustee of the British Museum and Chair of the 2016 Review of the Research Excellence Framework.

Joanne Kathleen Rowling OBE

J K Rowling is the author of the Harry Potter books which have captivated a worldwide audience of all ages and become the best-selling book series in history. Her charitable contribution is also significant. She set up Volant, a charitable trust which supports projects that alleviate social deprivation, particularly supporting women, children and young people at risk. She is President of Gingerbread, which provides advice to single parents. She founded Lumos, a charity working to transform the lives of institutionalised children. She has raised many millions through the sale of her books for Comic Relief and other charities.

Dame Vera Stephanie Shirley DBE
Dame Steve was an unaccompanied child refugee from Nazi Europe in 1939 and became a leading and highly innovative figure in the IT industry. She is also an extraordinarily generous philanthropist. She has used the proceeds from the sale of her company F International to establish a trust to research handicaps in children, especially autism; to fund charities and support the City of London’s Information Technology Livery Company (of which she was the first female Master); and the Oxford Internet Institute. She was a Trustee of Help the Aged, a founder member of the National Autistic Society, and a former UK Ambassador for Philanthropy.

Delia Ann Smith CBE

Delia Smith is the UK’s best-selling cookery writer, whose books and television series in the last decades of the last century taught the nation how to cook. Her televised Cookery Course was an instant hit; her One Is Fun collection of recipes made cooking enjoyable for singletons; and her Christmas, Summer and Winter collections have transformed our seasonal cuisine. She is also a Patron of the Sir Bobby Robson Foundation cancer charity and of the Norwich Foodbank.

Sir John Edward Sulston

Sir John, formerly Chair of the Institute of Science Ethics and Innovation at Manchester University, has pushed scientific boundaries throughout his career, combining this with an absolute commitment to science as a public good. His research has spanned cell lineages in nematode worms at the MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology, for which he won the Nobel Prize, to leading the UK’s participation in the Human Genome Project, founding the Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute in the process. The Institute now runs the largest genomics programme in Europe, with a global impact on some of the world’s greatest health.
Sir Michael David Rawlins

Sir Michael, currently Chair of both the Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency and UK Biobank, was also the founding Chair of the National Institute of Clinical Excellence. Under his leadership, NICE became an internationally renowned organisation, pioneering processes which have been copied worldwide. It has facilitated faster NHS uptake of new technologies and procedures, offering opportunities to patients in a way not experienced before. He has previously served as Chair of the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs and President of the Royal Society of Medicine.

Professor Sir David John Weatherall

Sir David, Regius Professor of Clinical Medicine Emeritus at Oxford University, is a pioneer in applying the techniques of molecular biology to medicine. His research into the most common forms of inherited anaemias (the thalassaemias) has had a major impact on their diagnosis and treatment and led to their eradication in some parts of the world. His work won him the Lasker Prize, which ranks alongside the Nobel Prize for Medicine. He established the first Institute of Molecular Medicine in the UK. He has also played a key role in developing the WHO consensus for diagnosing and managing genetic disease, with a global impact.
DAME COMMANDER OF THE ORDER OF THE BATH (DCB)

Claire Elizabeth Clancy

Claire Clancy has served a decade as Clerk of the National Assembly for Wales and Chief Executive of the Assembly Commission, the first woman to hold that level of position in any UK Parliament. Her leadership skills have transformed the services provided by the Commission, establishing the UK’s first fully independent body to determine the remuneration and financial support for national politicians. She was a driving force behind the establishment of the first independent Commissioner for Standards and a legal basis for equal treatment of Welsh and English in the Assembly. She is also the first and only woman to have been the Registrar of Companies in England and Wales.
KNIGHTS COMMANDER OF THE ORDER OF THE BATH (KCB)

Thomas Whinfield Scholar

Thomas Scholar, Permanent Secretary to Her Majesty’s Treasury, has served as Principal Private Secretary to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Executive Director at the IMF and the World Bank, and Minister at the British Embassy in Washington. As Principal Private Secretary at Number 10, he oversaw the transition from Mr Blair to Mr Brown. In previous roles at HMT, he led the Treasury’s response to the banking crisis of 2008-9, and the subsequent reforms to financial regulation. And as Head of the European and Global Issues Secretariat, he represented the Prime Minister in the EU, G7 and G20.

Christopher Stephen Wormald

Chris Wormald, Permanent Secretary at the Department of Health, is also leading the Civil Service’s professionalisation agenda as Head of the Policy Profession: he has created the Executive Master of Public Policy, the first of its kind. In the Department for Education, first as Director of Academies and then as Permanent Secretary, he delivered the first 200 academies (later rising to over 2,000) and oversaw the creation of 300 free schools, the overhaul of the adoption system, and the reform of the curriculum and exams system. He has also served in DCLG and the Cabinet Office, where he led the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.
Hilary Boulding

Hilary Boulding, Principal of the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama, has made an outstanding contribution to the development of music and education in Wales and across the UK. She has overseen the creation of a major new concert hall, theatre and studios in Cardiff. Under her leadership, the College has expanded its work with children and young people to raise educational aspirations and attainment, and strengthened the flow of new artistic talent into the arts professions in the UK and internationally. In August 2017 she will take up the role of President of Trinity College, Oxford, its first female President in four centuries.

Carmen Therese Callil

Carmen Callil founded the Virago Press in 1973 to give a voice to female writers. She was responsible for the creation and development of the Virago Modern Classics list, which brought back into print many hundreds of the best women writers of the past. She has also served on the Board of Channel 4 Television and chaired the judges of the Booker Prize for Fiction.

Sarah Patricia Connolly CBE

Sarah Connolly is an acclaimed mezzo-soprano who combines an impeccable sense of style with elegantly polished technique. Best known for her baroque and
classical roles, her singing of English composers such as Purcell, Elgar, Britten and Turnage has been universally praised. She is committed to promoting new music. In recent years she has won the Royal Philharmonic Society’s Singer of the Year Award and its Silver Lyre for Best Solo Singer.

Professor Carolyn Paula Hamilton

Professor Carolyn Hamilton, Director of International Programmes and Research at Coram Children’s Legal Centre, built CLC as the UK’s specialist centre for promoting and protecting children’s rights. She has worked with the UN and governments to develop policies, draft laws and introduce good practices to implement the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe. She was the senior legal adviser to the first Children’s Commissioner and a Legal Services Commissioner. Her work has transformed access to justice for generations of children and championed their rights.

Olivia Mary de Havilland

Olivia de Havilland is widely regarded as the last great star of Hollywood’s golden age and is now the oldest living recipient of an Oscar and a Golden Globe. She began her career during the rise of Technicolour in 1935 and went on to form one of the most indelible screen couples of all time with Errol Flynn. She starred as Melanie Hamilton in Gone With The Wind and received her Academy Award for Best Actress for her title role in the 1949 film The Heiress. She is currently working on her autobiography.

Professor Xiangqian Jiang

Professor Xiangqian Jiang, Director of the UK EPSRC Future Advanced Metrology Hub at Huddersfield University and the Renishaw/Royal Academy of Engineering Research Chair in Precision Metrology, is an internationally-recognised innovator and leader in precision measurement for manufacturing. She is the inventor of novel optical measurement techniques and original analysis theories for surface and precision metrology, some of which are now the basis for standard measurement and characterisation technologies in engineering worldwide. She is a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering.
Professor Parveen June Kumar CBE

Professor Parveen Kumar, Professor of Medicine and Education at Bart’s and the London School of Medicine, is the co-editor and author of the revolutionary 1989 textbook, “Kumar and Clark’s Clinical Medicine”. The book is symptomatic of her efforts to improve the education of medical students, doctors and nurses in training both at home and abroad. She received the first Asian Woman of the Year Award in 1999. She also serves as President of the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund and of the Medical Women’s Federation; and was a Trustee of the British Society of Gastroenterology and the Tropical Health and Education Trust. She is past President of the British Medical Association and also the Royal Society of Medicine.

Professor Theresa Mary Marteau

Professor Theresa Marteau, Director of the Behaviour and Health Research Unit at Cambridge University, is a distinguished health psychologist who has established a world-class behaviour change unit. She has demonstrated that Government policies should look at population-level interventions as well as those that focus on individuals, putting the concept of “nudge” into practice. She has been the Principal Investigator for the Wellcome Trust’s Centre for the Study of Incentives in Health and pioneered research into how the environment affects people’s behaviour.

Helena Louise Morrissey CBE

Helena Morrissey, Head of Personal Investing at Legal and General Investment Management, founded the 30% Club, with the aim of 30% female representation on UK corporate boards by 2015. The initiative has now been copied in eleven countries and the number of women on FTSE100 and FTSE250 boards is now at an all-time high. When Chair of the Investment Association, the trade body for UK fund managers, she set up and now leads the Diversity Project, which aims to improve diversity across all dimensions in the investment and savings industry. She also chairs the gender equality campaign of Business in the Community, part of the Prince of Wales charities.

Cilla Deborah Snowball CBE
**Cilla Snowball**, Group CEO and Group Chair of the AMVBBDO Advertising Agency, was the first female Chair of the Advertising Association, overseeing the Ad Pays reports into the economic, social and cultural impact of advertising. She is Chair of the Women’s Business Council and acts as a mentor for women in business. She founded the University of Birmingham Alumni Mentoring Programme, providing mentoring support to final year students. She launched the Omniwomen UK training programme to support a wider global initiative in Omnicom. She is a former Trustee of Comic Relief, Macmillan Cancer Support and Business in the Community.

**Dr Angela Rosemary Emily Strank**

**Dr Angela Strank** is the first British woman to hold the role of Chief Scientist and Head of Downstream Technology at BP. During her long career at the company she has delivered improved imaging of oil and gas fields and introduced novel exploration techniques. As Technology Vice-President, she led a team of 350 scientists developing lubricant products for the automotive and marine industries, transforming Lubricants Technology into a business-focused enterprise. She won the CBI’s First Woman’s Award in Science and Technology in 2010 and is a powerful advocate for women taking up STEM subjects. She is a Governor of Manchester University and a Non Executive Director of Severn Trent, PLC.

**Julie Mary Walters CBE**

**Julie Walters** is one of Britain’s best-loved actresses who has captivated audiences around the world in a broad range of serious and comic roles. Over the course of her career she has won seven BAFTAs, a BAFTA fellowship, a Golden Globe, an Olivier and two International Emmys. She has twice been nominated for an Academy Award. She is also a Patron of Women’s Aid and of Roald Dahl’s Marvellous Children’s Charity.

**June Rosemary Whitfield CBE**

**June Whitfield** is widely regarded as one of Britain’s leading comedy actresses. Working continuously since the 1940s, she appeals to audiences of all ages and has received numerous awards for her work including the 1998 Women in Film and Television Award. She is President of the South-East Cancer Help Centre and
Founder of the Friends of Wimbledon Theatre, and a great supporter of Age UK. She received the BBC Lifetime Achievement Award in 2016.

**KNIGHTS BACHELOR**

George William John Benjamin CBE

George Benjamin is a composer and conductor whose music is typified by its shimmering beauty. He started composing at the age of seven and made his BBC Proms debut at twenty. His most recent opera, *Written on Skin*, recently returned to the Royal Opera House to great critical acclaim and has been scheduled at over twenty international opera houses since its 2012 premiere, winning numerous awards.

Leonard Blavatnik

Leonard Blavatnik is one of the world’s leading philanthropists. His donation to Oxford University established the Blavatnik School of Government, and was one of the largest in the 800 years of the University’s history. He also provided the lead donation to Tate Modern, enabling the completion of the extension, now renamed the Blavatnik Building. In addition to other, extensive support for a comprehensive range of education and arts institutions, museums and charitable causes in the UK, he has helped to fund buildings at the Victoria & Albert Museum and the Royal Academy, and programmes at Cambridge University and the London Business Institute.
Mark John Boleat

Mark Boleat was the unpaid Chair of the Policy and Resources Committee of the City of London Corporation from May 2012 to May 2017, where he provided outstanding leadership in the drive to maintain London as the world’s leading international financial and business centre. He chaired the initiative to establish London as the leading western hub for offshore RMB trading, was instrumental in establishing TheCityUK, and led the creation of Innovate Finance. He was Vice-Chair of the Executive Committee of London Councils and supported the Association of Charitable Foundations and Central London Forward.

William Connolly CBE

Billy Connolly is a comedian and actor who has supported a wide range of charitable causes. He was a key participant in the first Comic Relief campaign. He donates his own artwork to Whatever It Takes, a subsidiary of Trade plus Aid which raises funds for charity. He has supported numerous fund-raisers, including for Oxfam’s East Africa Famine Appeal and Beating Blood Cancers. He is patron of the National Association of Bikers with a Disability and of Ballet West.

Professor Hugh Charles Jonathan Godfray CBE

Professor Hugh Godfray, Hope Professor of Zoology at Oxford University, is a world-leading entomologist and scholar who has had a major impact on future thinking on global food security. He co-created a new approach to evidence synthesis in controversial areas which led to the successful implementation of government policy in two extremely important areas: bovine tuberculosis and neonicotinoid pesticides. His work on insect population dynamics has been extremely influential in understanding insect population control, such as the biological control of agricultural pests and the genetic control of malaria and dengue vectors. He is also Chair of Defra’s Science Advisory Council.
**Professor Simon Lovestone**

Professor Simon Lovestone, Professor of Translational Neuroscience at Oxford University, is one of the UK’s most prominent researchers into dementia and neurodegeneration. He has made significant contributions to several areas of Alzheimer’s disease research, from basic research to early drug development. He provided leadership for the NIHR Translational Research Collaboration in Dementia, founded the ARUK Oxford Drug Discovery Institute and coordinates the European Medical Information Framework, a public-private partnership establishing data platforms for research in dementia.

**Dr John Menzies Low CBE**

John Low has served as CEO of the Charities Aid Foundation for the last decade. In that time, he has overseen a significant increase in the funds raised from donors and distributed to charities; developed a vehicle to provide charities with early stage capital; restructured and recapitalised the Charity Bank; created an extensive research wing; and made the Foundation the core co-ordinating voice for the charity sector as a whole. Previously CEO of the Royal National Institute for Deaf People, he founded the Euclid Network of European Third Sector Leaders, served on the House of Lords Appointment Commission and continues as a member of Council at City University of London.

**Professor Vito Antonio Muscatelli**

Professor Vito Muscatelli, Vice-Chancellor and Principal of Glasgow University, is a world-class economist who chairs the Standing Council on Europe which advises the Scottish Government on securing Scotland’s relationship with the EU. He has created three international hubs for trans-national education, in Singapore and China, as well as initiating a major expansion of Glasgow University’s own campus, with the potential to anchor a whole new innovation district in the city. He has also served as a Commissioner on the First Minister’s Commission on Widening Access for Scotland’s poorer, talented young people.
Professor Graham John Thornicroft

Professor Graham Thornicroft, Professor of Community Psychiatry at King’s College London, has made an outstanding contribution to services for people with mental health problems. He has championed research that seeks to find evidence-based ways to put innovatory treatments to the test, not only to improve people’s mental health but also to enhance their quality of life. He has specialised in particular in stigma and discrimination, mental health needs assessment, cost effectiveness of treatment, service user-led research and global mental health, with direct influence on policy and practice.

His Honour Peter Ribblesdale Thornton

HH Peter Thornton QC was the first Chief Coroner of England and Wales and has worked tirelessly to implement the reforms put in place under the 2009 Coroners and Justice Act. He has transformed coroner services; personally organised training for coroners and their officers, conferences for local authorities, bereavement organisations and international coroners; and provided judicial leadership for coroners in the wake of international terrorist attacks. He was also an Old Bailey judge from 2007-2016. He was formerly a trustee of the Howard League for Penal Reform and Chair of Liberty.

William John Anthony Timpson CBE

John Timpson, owner of Timpson, the multi-service retailer, built the business by empowering his front line colleagues. The company helps ex-offenders into society and currently employs 600 ex-prisoners, recruiting from 70 prisons across the country. With his late wife, Alex, he fostered 90 children, and he provided five years’ funding for SafeBase which supports parents of children with attachment problems. He enabled the charity to expand nationwide. He was a founding member of the Women’s Business Council and a governor at four schools.

Malcolm Conrad Walker CBE

Malcolm Walker founded Iceland Frozen Foods in 1970 and is still its Chair and Chief Executive. He has steered its expansion into a national chain. He rescued it
and returned it to profitability when it floundered following his four year ‘temporary’ retirement after the acquisition of Booker. It now employs 25,000 people. Both he and the company have won numerous awards, with significant sums raised for good causes including Alder Hey Children’s Hospital, Help for Heroes, Alzheimer’s Research UK and UCL Dementia Research.

Professor Mir Saeed Zahedi OBE

Professor Mir Saeed Zahedi, Technical Director at Blatchford & Sons, has been a pioneer in lower-limb prosthetics, an advocate for people without limbs and a leader in engineering for nearly four decades. He led the creation of the world’s first integrated, biomimetic prosthesis for lower-limb amputees, which uses micro-processor-controlled ankle and knee joints acting in synergy to mimic the movement and response of a human limb. He also works closely with the UK Defence Medical Rehabilitation Centre and with Help for Heroes to ensure that injured military personnel can access the best prosthetics services.

Professor Alimuddin Zumla

Professor Alimuddin Zumla, Professor of Infectious Diseases and International Health at University College London, is a global leader in the field of killer infectious diseases, especially tuberculosis and TB-HIV co-infection. He has excelled in assisting sub-Saharan African countries in capacity development, training and research programmes. His research into new platforms for a single test for identification of respiratory pathogens is providing major insights into the development of cheap point-of-care diagnostics for the management of killer respiratory tract infections. He is a founder member and trustee of the world’s largest TB charity, TB ALERT.