

# APHA governance structure and meetings

2024 to 2025

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## APHA Non-Executive Directors

| Name   | Date of Appointment | Appointment ended | Length of Appointment                                   | Duties  |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| Elizabeth Buchanan<br>Non-Executive Director | 01/05/2024          | Not applicable    | 3 years   | APHA Lead Non-Executive Director                            |
| Lizzie Peers<br>Non-Executive Director       | 13/02/2023          | Not applicable    | 3 years   | Board Member<br>Chair of Audit and Risk Assurance Committee |
| Laura Green<br>Non-Executive Director        | 01/12/2021          | Not applicable    | 3 years<br>(appointment extended for a further 3 years) | Board Member<br>Chair of Science Advisory Board             |
| Deep Sagar<br>Non-Executive Director         | 18/07/2022          | Not applicable    | 3 years   | Board member of Audit and Risk Assurance Committee          |
| Mike Venables<br>Non-Executive Director      | 01/04/2019          | Not applicable    | 3 years<br>(appointment extended for a further 4 years) | Board member of Audit and Risk Assurance Committee          |
| David Horne                                  | 01/04/2021          | Not applicable    | 3 years   | Independent member of Audit and Risk Assurance Committee    |

## Executive and Non-Executive Board and Committee attendance from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

### APHA Steering Board

| Name               | Position   | Title  | Meetings held within appointment period | Meetings attended | Comments                                 |
|--------------------|--|--------|---|-------------------|--|
| Elizabeth Buchanan | Lead Non-Executive Director                                | Chair  | 5                                       | 5                 | None                                     |
| David Holdsworth   | APHA Chief Executive                                       | Member | 5                                       | 1                 | None                                     |
| Jenny Stewart      | APHA Chief Executive (interim)                             | Member | 5                                       | 5                 | None                                     |
| Laura Green        | Non-Executive Director and Chair of Science Advisory Board | Member | 5                                       | 5                 | None                                     |
| Lizzie Peers       | Non-Executive Director and Chair of ARAC                   | Member | 5                                       | 5                 | None                                     |
| Mike Venables      | Non-Executive Director and ARAC member                     | Member | 5                                       | 5                 | None                                     |
| Deep Sagar         | Non-executive Director and ARAC member                     | Member | 5                                       | 5                 | None                                     |
| Yvonne Spencer     | APHA Director of Science Capability                        | Member | 5                                       | 5                 | None                                     |
| Rowena Hansen      | APHA Interim Director of Science Operations and Research   | Member | 2                                       | 1                 | Interim appointment until September 2024 |

| <b>Name</b>           | <b>Position</b>                                    | <b>Title</b> | <b>Meetings held within appointment period</b> | <b>Meetings attended</b> | <b>Comments</b>                 |
|-----------------------|--|--------------|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Matt Chinn            | APHA Director of Science Operations and Research   | Member       | 3  | 3                        | Appointment from September 2024 |
| Andrew Soldan         | APHA Veterinary Director                           | Member       | 5  | 3                        | None                            |
| Irene Cristofaro      | APHA Veterinary Director (interim)                 | Member       | 5  | 2                        | None                            |
| Nicola Hirst          | APHA Service Delivery Director                     | Member       | 5  | 5                        | None                            |
| Michelle Reynolds     | APHA Strategy, Planning and Innovation Director    | Member       | 5  | 5                        | None                            |
| Kevin Ingram          | Defra Finance Director for APHA                    | Member       | 5  | 5                        | None                            |
| Vicki Brookes         | Defra HR Director for APHA                         | Attendee     | 5  | 4                        | None                            |
| Nicola Spence         | Defra Chief Plant Health Officer                   | Member       | 5  | 2                        | None                            |
| Christine Middlemiss  | Chief Veterinary Officer UK                        | Advisor      | 5  | 1                        | None                            |
| Gareth Baynham-Hughes | Defra Director for Animal & Plant Health & Welfare | Attendee     | 5  | 3                        | None                            |
| Eileen Tottle         | APHA Chief of Staff                                | Attendee     | 5  | 5                        | None                            |

| <b>Name</b>   | <b>Position</b>                                       | <b>Title</b> | <b>Meetings held within appointment period</b> | <b>Meetings attended</b> | <b>Comments</b>                              |
|---------------|---|--------------|--|--------------------------|--|
| Angus Wear    | Representative for APHA staff engagement group, VOICE | Attendee     | 5  | 2                        | None   |
| Alan Bucknall | Representative for APHA staff engagement group, VOICE | Attendee     | 5  | 1                        | None   |
| Helen Chuni   | Senior Defra HR Business Partner                      | Advisor      | 5  | 1                        | Representing or deputising for Vicki Brookes |

## APHA Audit and Risk Assurance Committee

| Name           | Position   | Title              | Meetings held within appointment period | Meetings attended | Comments |
|----------------|--|--------------------|---|-------------------|----------|
| Lizzie Peers   | Non-Executive Director and Chair of APHA ARAC            | Chair              | 5                                       | 5                 | None     |
| Jenny Stewart  | APHA Chief Executive (interim)                           | Attendee           | 5                                       | 4                 | None     |
| Deep Sagar     | Non-Executive Director                                   | Member             | 5                                       | 5                 | None     |
| Mike Venables  | Non-Executive Director                                   | Member             | 5                                       | 5                 | None     |
| David Horne    | Non-Executive Director                                   | Independent member | 5                                       | 5                 | None     |
| Kevin Ingram   | Defra Finance Director for APHA                          | Attendee           | 5                                       | 5                 | None     |
| Russ Baldwin   | APHA Head of Finance & Business Partnering               | Attendee           | 5                                       | 4                 | None     |
| Rebecca Andrew | APHA Audit, Risk and Assurance Manager                   | Attendee           | 5                                       | 3                 | None     |
| Damian Brewitt | National Audit Office                                    | Attendee           | 5                                       | 4                 | None     |
| Andrew Hamer   | National Audit Office                                    | Attendee           | 5                                       | 4                 | None     |
| Natalie Towers | Audit Manager, Governmental Internal Audit Agency (GIAA) | Attendee           | 5                                       | 4                 | None     |

| <b>Name</b>   | <b>Position</b>               | <b>Title</b> | <b>Meetings held within appointment period</b> | <b>Meetings attended</b> | <b>Comments</b>              |
|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------|--|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sharon Fowler | APHA Head of Quality Services | Attendee     | 5  | 4                        | None                         |
| Vicki Brookes | Defra HR Director for APHA    | Attendee     | 5  | 1                        | Appointment until March 2025 |
| Anna Jenkins  | Defra HR Director for APHA    | Attendee     | 1  | 1                        | Appointment from March 2025  |

## APHA Science Advisory Board

| Name               | Position   | Title  | Meetings held with appointment period | Meetings attended | Comments                        |
|--------------------|--|--------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Laura Green        | Non-Executive Director                                   | Chair  | 4                                     | 4                 | None                            |
| Matt Chinn         | APHA Director of Science Operations and Research         | Member | 3                                     | 3                 | Appointment from September 2024 |
| Irene Cristofaro   | APHA Veterinary Director (interim)                       | Member | 3                                     | 2                 | Appointment from June 2024      |
| Ele Brown          | Defra representative and Deputy Chief Veterinary Officer | Member | 4                                     | 3                 | None                            |
| Scott Sellers      | Defra representative (interim)                           | Member | 4                                     | 3                 | None                            |
| Glyn Hewinson      | External   | Member | 4                                     | 4                 | None                            |
| Richard Shaw       | External   | Member | 4                                     | 3                 | None                            |
| Julie Robotham     | External   | Member | 4                                     | 4                 | None                            |
| Miles Carroll      | External   | Member | 4                                     | 1                 | None                            |
| Jonathan Elliot    | External   | Member | 4                                     | 4                 | None                            |
| Louise Cosby       | External   | Member | 4                                     | 4                 | None                            |
| Roberta La Ragione | External   | Member | 4                                     | 4                 | None                            |
| Dominic Mellor     | External   | Member | 4                                     | 4                 | None                            |
| Rick Mumford       | External   | Member | 4                                     | 1                 | None                            |

| <b>Name</b>   | <b>Position</b> | <b>Title</b> | <b>Meetings held with appointment period</b> | <b>Meetings attended</b> | <b>Comments</b>             |
|---------------|-----------------|--------------|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| David Roberts | External        | Member       | 4  | 4                        | Appointment from April 2024 |
| Fiona Houston | External        | Member       | 4  | 4                        | Appointment from April 2024 |

## APHA Executive Board

| Name              | Position   | Title  | Meetings held within appointment period | Meetings attended | Comments                                 |
|-------------------|--|--------|---|-------------------|--|
| David Holdsworth  | APHA Chief Executive                                       | Member | 3                                       | 2                 | Appointment until July 2024              |
| Jenny Stewart     | APHA Chief Executive (interim)                             | Member | 12                                      | 12                | None                                     |
| Rowena Hansen     | APHA Director of Science Operations and Research (interim) | Member | 4                                       | 4                 | Interim appointment until September 2024 |
| Matt Chinn        | APHA Director of Science Operations and Research           | Member | 8                                       | 6                 | Appointment from September 2024          |
| Yvonne Spencer    | APHA Director of Science Capability                        | Member | 12                                      | 11                | None                                     |
| Michelle Reynolds | APHA Strategy, Planning and Innovation Director            | Member | 12                                      | 9                 | None                                     |
| Nicola Hirst      | APHA Service Delivery Director                             | Member | 12                                      | 11                | None                                     |
| Andrew Soldan     | APHA Veterinary Director                                   | Member | 12                                      | 11                | None                                     |

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|-------------------------|--|--------------|--|--------------------------|--|
| Irene Cristofaro        | APHA Veterinary Director (interim)               | Member       | 12   | 10                       | None   |
| Kevin Ingram            | Defra Finance Director for APHA                  | Member       | 12   | 12                       | None   |
| Eileen Tottle           | APHA Chief of Staff                              | Member       | 12   | 12                       | None   |
| Vicki Brookes           | Defra HR Director for APHA                       | Member       | 11   | 10                       | Appointment until March 2025                     |
| Anna Jenkins            | Defra HR Director for APHA                       | Member       | 1  | 1                        | Appointment from March 2025                      |
| Helen Chuni             | Senior Defra HR Business Partner                 | Member       | 12   | 2                        | Representing or deputising for Vicki Brookes     |
| Russ Baldwin            | APHA Head of Finance & Business Partnering       | Attendee     | 12   | 1                        | Representing or deputising for Kevin Ingram      |
| Catherine (Kate) McHugh |  | Attendee     | 12   | 1                        | Representing or deputising for Michelle Reynolds |
| Jo Anderson             | APHA Head of Resilience and Contingency Planning | Attendee     | 12   | 1                        | Representing Or deputising for Nicola Hirst      |

## APHA Joint Health & Safety Governance Board

| Name           | Position   | Title    | Meetings held within appointment period | Meetings attended | Comments                                    |
|----------------|--|----------|---|-------------------|---|
| Jenny Stewart  | APHA Chief Executive (interim)                           | Chair    | 5                                       | 5                 | None  |
| Yvonne Spencer | APHA Director of Science Capability                      | Member   | 5                                       | 5                 | None  |
| Nicola Hirst   | APHA Service Delivery Director                           | Member   | 5                                       | 4                 | None  |
| Paul Webb      | APHA Corporate Health and Safety Advisor (interim)       | Member   | 5                                       | 1                 | None  |
| Tony Broom     | Deputy Director for Defra group Property, Chief Engineer | Member   | 5                                       | 1                 | None  |
| Wendy Marshall | APHA Corporate Health and Safety Advisor                 | Member   | 5                                       | 5                 | None  |
| Andrew Kemp    | Defra Group Head of Health and Safety                    | Member   | 5                                       | 4                 | None  |
| James Greenway | Director of Defra Group Property                         | Member   | 5                                       | 4                 | None  |
| Matt Chinn     | APHA Director of Science Operations and Research         | Member   | 5                                       | 1                 | None  |
| Eileen Tottle  | APHA Chief of Staff                                      | Member   | 5                                       | 4                 | None  |
| Gordon Clarke  | Head of Field Delivery for Scotland                      | Attendee | 5                                       | 1                 | Representing or deputising for Nicola Hirst |