MHRA Board Declarations of Interest

Annual declaration, November 2026

The MHRA Board is responsible for advising and agreeing the strategic direction of the Agency, endorsing the Agency's recommendations to Ministers on key financial and performance targets, and advising on and monitoring plans to ensure those targets are met.

The Board supports the Chief Executive Officer in the effective delivery of services and overall performance by providing leadership, developing strategy, advising on the delivery of policies, maintaining high standards of corporate governance, scrutinising performance and ensuring that controls are in place to manage risk.

The Board and its Non-Executive Directors have no involvement in any regulatory decisions affecting medicines, medical devices or any other products or services delivered by the Agency. These decisions are the responsibility of the Chief Executive Officer, supported by the Executive Committee.

Declarations of interest from Board members are published annually, usually at the start of the financial year. Interests are considered at each Board meeting and any conflicts are managed as appropriate. The 2026/27 annual register was published in November 2026, later than the usual publication cycle. This was a delay in publication only; the arrangements for declaring and managing conflicts of interest remained in place throughout the period.

Note: Interests are published on the register for 1 year after expiration.

Members of the Board

Name and MHRA Role	Name of Other Company or Organisation	Nature of interest	Paid	Current / Date expired
Professor Anthony Harnden Chair of the Board	University of Oxford Employee and Chair of the Examination Board for Masters in Global Health Leadership	Employee and Chair	Yes	Yes
	Director of Morland House HealthCare Ltd	Director	No	No (Exp. 03/2026)
	Director Nutriberry Ltd	Director	No	No (Exp. 03/2026)

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Lawrence Tallon Chief Executive	Football Health Alliance Community Interest Company	Director	No	Yes
	PharosAI (publicly funded, not for profit capacity building initiative)	External Advisory Board member	No	Yes
Dr Junaid Bajwa Non-Executive Director	Ondine biomedical	Non-Executive Director	Yes	Yes
	UCLH and Whittington NHS Trust	Non-Executive Director	Yes	Yes
	Vir Health Ltd	Non-Executive Director	Yes	Yes
	NHS	GP, Physician (Sessional)	Yes	Yes
	Nahdi Medical Corporation	Non-Executive Director	Yes	Yes
	DIA Global	Board Member	No	Yes
	HDR UK	Trustee	No	Yes
	Flagship Pioneering	Senior Partner	Yes	Yes
Julian Beach Interim Executive Director, Operations Group	None	N/A	N/A	N/A
Jason Bonander Chief Digital & Technology Officer	None	N/A	N/A	N/A
Dr Alison Cave Chief Safety Officer	Drug Industry Association	Council of Regulators	No	Yes
Professor Graham Cooke Non-Executive Director	Imperial College NHS Trust and Chelsea & Westminster NHS Foundation Trust	Honorary NHS Consultant	Yes	Yes
	NERVTAG	DHSC NERVTAG committee member	No	Yes
	NIHR	NIHR Senior Investigator	Yes	Yes

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	NIHR	Influenza platform trial in the UK	Yes	Yes
	30 Technology Ltd	Consultant/Advisor	Yes	Yes
	Sanofi	Consultant	Yes	Yes
Professor Jacob George Chief Medical and Scientific Officer	AstraZeneca	Advisory Board, Consultancy and Congress travel	Yes	No (Exp. 10/ 2026)
	PHOSP-COVID (NIHR Funded)	Steering Committee	No	No (Exp. 10/ 2026)
	British Hypertension Society	Guidelines Committee	No	Yes
	Consensus Action on Salt and Health (CASH)	Expert Member	No	Yes
	NIHR	Chair, Capital Investment Committee	No	Yes
	Clinical Research Malaysia, Ministry of Health	Scientific Advisory Panel Member, for Phase 1 trials	Yes	Yes
Dr Paul Goldsmith Non-Executive Director	Cambridge University ARIA NeuroWorks Scientific Advisory Board (SAB)	Scientific Advisory Board member	No	Yes
	Foundation for Evolution and Mental Health	Trustee	No	Yes
	Lanthor Ltd	Book publishing and medico-legal reports	Yes	Yes
	Leso Digital Health	Shareholder	No	Yes
	Institute of Global Health Innovation (IGHI), Imperial College, London	Visiting Professor	No	Yes
	NHS	Consultant Neurologist	Yes	Yes

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	NHS	Clinical Senate Member	No	Yes
	Closed Loop Medicine	Director	No	Yes
	Clinical advisory support to BRPD Therapeutics Limited - migraine potential products	Consultant	Yes	Yes
	Radix Big Tent Foundation	Trustee	No	Yes
	Morchella Medicine	Consultant	Yes	Yes
Mercy Jeyasingham MBE Non-Executive Director	NHS Blood and Transplant	Panel Member (to appoint two NEDs to their Board)	Yes	Yes (Exp. 04/2026)
	Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists	Executive Coaching	Yes	Yes
Raj Long Non-Executive Director	Bristol-Myers Squibb	Ex-Employee Shareholder	Yes	Yes
	Uk Dementia Trials Network, UCL	International Advisory Board	No	Yes
	Novartis	Ex-Employee Shareholder	Yes	Yes
	Gates Venture – EC Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI) Non-Product – IMI European platform for Neurodegenerative Disorders	Advisory	Yes	Yes
	UK Health Security Agency	Associate Non-Executive Board Member	Yes	No (Exp. 09/2026)

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	EU Innovative Health Initiatives (IHI)	Advisory Expert for this EU public-private partnership funding health research and innovation funded by European Commission	Yes	Yes
	System Partners Engagement Forum, an advisory group to the Neurodegeneration Initiative	System Partners Engagement Forum Chair	No	No (Exp. 09/2026)
Penny Seera Acting Chief Financial Officer	None	N/A	N/A	N/A
Michael Whitehouse OBE Non-Executive Director	South East Coast Ambulance Services NHS Foundation Trust	Chair	Yes	No (Exp. 06/2026)
	Jersey Audit Office	Chair	Yes	Yes

Regular Board Attendees

Name and MHRA Role	Name of Other Company or Organisation	Nature of interest	Paid	Current / Date expired
Tasneem Blondin Chief People Officer.	None	N/A	N/A	N/A
Rachel Bosworth Director of Communications and Engagement.	None	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sarah Gilbert Company Secretary.	None	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Victoria Dare **Interim** Director, Medicines (Pricing, Regulation and Prescribing), DHSC. Regular Board	None related to the MHRA and Board operation.	N/A	N/A	N/A
Dr Ed Middleton Director of Strategy	None	N/A	N/A	N/A