



CCAB Press Release

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New chairman for CCAB

Andy Burns, the incoming President of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) and the Director of Finance and Resources for Staffordshire County Council, has been confirmed as the new chairman of the Consultative Committee of Accountancy Bodies (CCAB).

This new role, which will sit alongside his other responsibilities, will see Andy take leadership of the group representing the main UK accountancy bodies, which has a combined membership of over 380,000 professional accountants worldwide.

Andy takes over the role from Hilary Lindsey, the immediate past President of ICAEW.

During his year as Chairman, as the impact of Brexit unfolds Andy will continue to promote the value of the accountancy profession to the UK economy and ensure the profession responds actively to the rise in financial crime and fraud.

Andy has a personal interest in how organisations can leverage the benefits of the digital economy, prepare themselves for the risks, and anticipate developments in Artificial Intelligence which will impact the accounting profession.

Speaking on his appointment, Andy said: “The landscape we inhabit is one of rapid change. The CCAB plays a crucial role in ensuring that the accountancy profession shows the leadership and provides the support to face these challenges. I am both excited and honoured to be taking the Chair as the profession prepares for the brave new world after Brexit.”

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Notes to Editors

1. The combined membership of the five [CCAB](#) bodies - [ICAEW](#), [ACCA](#), [ICAS](#), [CIPFA](#) and [Chartered Accountants Ireland](#) - amounts to over 260,000 professional accountants in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (over 380,000 worldwide).

2. CCAB provides a forum for the bodies to work together collectively in the public interest on matters affecting the profession and the wider economy.

3. CCAB's credibility stems from its insight into all areas of finance and accounting, from finance director and audit partner to management accountants, professional advisers, public sector finance leaders and entrepreneurs. CCAB's members work through the financial value chain in all sectors as key decision makers and business leaders within the UK and around the world.