

# **UK Bank Boards Analysis, as of January 2022 – (13th Edition)**



Welcome to the thirteenth, bi-annual Ridgeway Partners UK Bank Boards Analysis, as of January 2022.

We list all non executive and executive board members, including their board roles, business backgrounds, nationality, gender and tenure.

We have also included selected analytics on the 375 directors across the 36 banks.

# We have divided the sector into the following groups:

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For this edition, we have included a commentary on **Changing Climate in the Boardroom** at the back of the document



#### **KEY THEMES OVER THE LAST SIX MONTHS**

#### **Context**

- The second half of 2021 has been busy for board succession, with several significant Chair and CEO appointments across banking, with others announced or with active searches.
- This has occurred against the ongoing backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic with Omicron affecting all aspects of life, the economy and working practices.
- The sector has generally performed robustly during the last year, with several firms posting strong financial results. There remains a
  focus on cost efficiencies and technology transformation/resilience, but balanced with a momentum towards growth and ongoing digital
  investment.
- Boards are planning ahead against a range of economic risks including increases in inflation and tax. Covid is likely to mean disruption to staff attendance and supply chain availability across sectors, and the political and geopolitical context remains unpredictable. Interest rates are expected to increase further offering benefits and challenges.
- Over the last six months, board succession and recruitment has continued at a similar, active pace overall to the first half of 2021. Across this selection of UK banks there have been 39 new NED appointments (versus 20 in the first half of 2021), with 10 new ED appointments (slightly lower than early 2021 at 11). 61% of NED appointments were female. This bodes well for a pipeline of female talent to take on committee chair, SID and chair roles in future. See further details on Page 11.

### **Key board themes over the last six months and into 2022**

- Business risks: Boards are addressing challenges in the areas of financial crime and fraud, whilst also responding to broader themes such as cyber security, technology resilience, third party/outsourcing and data privacy risks. Coming out of the pandemic and following the government-backed loan schemes, credit risk is back higher on the agenda.
- ESG: Following COP26, climate change and net zero policies, reporting and actions, as well as ESG/sustainability more broadly, have become critical themes for bank boards. The reputational risks to banks through their investments and clients is gaining increasing attention. Boards are seeking to build on the opportunities associated with net zero innovation and ESG, whilst better understanding and responding to the risks.
- **Policy:** There are increased government and regulatory expectations across key areas such as customer care, economic crime, inclusion and diversity, social mobility and climate/net zero commitments.
- **Competition:** There is significant ongoing investment going into the fintech community in the UK and internationally, significant fund raising, and new entrants such as Chase digital bank.
- PE activity/M&A/consolidation: International and UK PE firms have been increasingly active, and will continue in 2022.
- Activism: Activist investors increased their influence across sectors including financial services in 2021, and now have more assets under management than ever before.
- **Culture:** Boards are needing to decide on their version of their "new deal" with colleagues with regard to office time/flexible working, and approaches to vaccinations. This has the potential to create differences in company culture and tone, raising important issues about staff training and capability, control environment, wellness, and talent retention/costs.

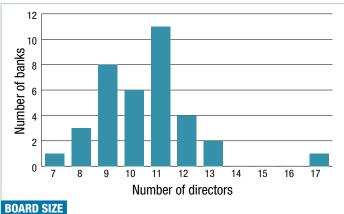
## **Priority hiring/talent themes**

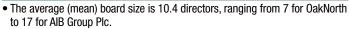
- Ongoing attention on inclusion and diversity in its widest sense, including cognitive diversity, varied business and social backgrounds, including social mobility and regional representation.
- Appetite to access new perspectives, including younger generations and employee participation. An innovative approach, for example
  at Aldermore Bank, has been to appoint an Apprentice NED, who attends meetings, but is not a full statutory board member, and is
  contributing to a future pipeline of talent.
- The demand for greater female representation in the boardroom continues, with greater emphasis on appointing more females into committee chair, SID and chair roles in 2021, and a renewed focus on senior executive females.
- Strong activity in the chair of risk, risk committee and executive risk fields. Boards are seeking broader experience in risk chair and committee roles beyond credit, given the importance of technology/resilience experience, as well as operational and conduct risks, and climate/net zero implications.
- Increased prioritisation to encourage greater ethnic minority representation across the banking sector, with significant demand/competition for talent. There remain sensitivities to the reporting and representation of these developments. Several boards have attracted diverse backgrounds from the technology/VC and innovation sectors, as well as international talent.
- Demand for those with technology, digital transformation, cloud migration, outsourcing oversight, data, and agile working expertise continues to grow, with data/Al a key theme.
- Demand for support on climate change/ESG developments and practical responses and judgements to achieve net zero targets is strong.
   See commentary on Page 10/11 Changing Climate in the Boardroom.

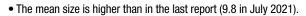


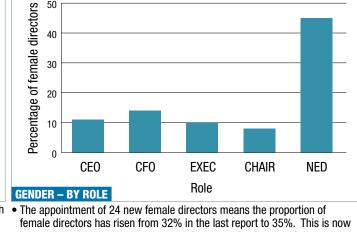
These tables summarise the composition of UK Bank Boards. The analysis is based on 375 directors of 36 banks, as of January 2022.\* \*The Ring-Fenced and Non-Ring-Fenced bank board members on Table 1b are not included in the analytics due to the overlap of board members with the group boards.

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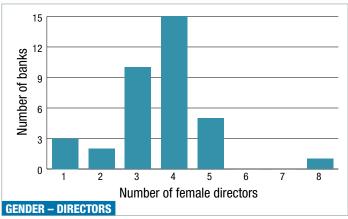


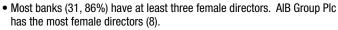


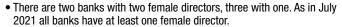


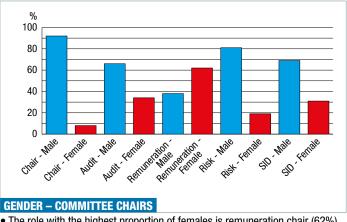


- above the Hampton-Alexander target of 33% set for the end of 2020.
- In total 12% of the bank ED's are female (11% of CEO's, 14% of CFO's, 10% other executives).

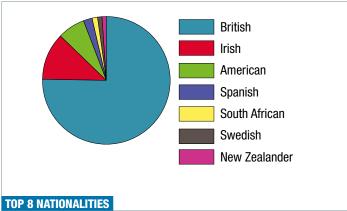




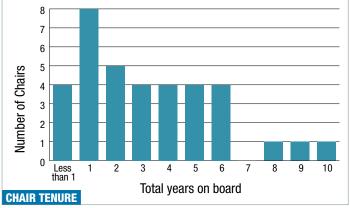




• The role with the highest proportion of females is remuneration chair (62%) followed by audit chair (34%). This compares to 31% of SIDs, 19% risk chairs and 8% of chairs.



• 71% of directors are British, 29% other nationalities. 7% are American (25), 18% other European nationalities (the top nationalities being Irish 42, Spanish 8 and Swedish 5), 4% other nationalities (the top other nationalities being South African 4 and New Zealander 3).



• The average (mean) year of appointment was 2018. Paragon Bank has the most established/long tenure board with a mean year of appointment of 2013. The most recent board was Tandem (mean year of appointment 2020).



**Table** 

# Largest UK Bank/Mutual Boards Analysis as of January 2022

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	<b>*BARCLAYS</b>	HSBC 🖎	LLOYDS BANKING GROUP	⟨♣ Nationwide⟩	NatWest Group	<b>♦</b> Santander	Standard Chartered
CHAIR	NIGEL HIGGINS 2019 Investment Banking	MARK TUCKER 2017	ROBIN BUDENBERG CBE 2020 Investment Banking/ Government ACA	KEVIN PARRY OBE 2016***	SIR HOWARD DAVIES 2015	WILLIAM VEREKER 2020  Investment Banking	JOSÉ VIÑALS 2016 Electric de Economist/Central Banking/IMF
NED	DR BRIAN GILVARY 2020 (SID & REMUNERATION CHAIR)	DAVID NISH 2016 (SID & AUDIT CHAIR)  Investment (ICAS)	ALAN DICKINSON 2014 (SID, DEPUTY CHAIR & REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Retail/Wholesale Banking	GUNN WÆRSTED 2017 (SID)  Wholesale Banking/Media/Telco	MARK SELIGMAN 2017 (SID) Investment Banking	ED GIERA 2015 (SID & RISK CHAIR)	NAGUIB KHERAJ 2014 (DEPUTY CHAIR & RISK CHAIR)  REAL RETAIL AND WHOLESALE Banking/Finance
NED	MIKE ASHLEY 2013 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Risk/Audit (FCA)	JACKSON TAI 2016 (RISK CHAIR)	SARAH LEGG 2019 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Wholesale/Retail Banking/Finance (CIMA)	PHILIP (PHIL) RIVETT 2019 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Audit (ACA)	PATRICK FLYNN 2018 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Fig. Retail/Wholesale Banking (FCA)	CHRIS JONES 2015 (AUDIT CHAIR)	CHRISTINE HODGSON CBE 2013 (SID & REMUNERATION CHAIR) Technology/Finance (FCA)
NED	TIM BREEDON CBE 2012 (RISK CHAIR) Insurance/ Investment	PAULINE VAN DER MEER MOHR 2015* (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Human Resources	CATHERINE WOODS 2020 (RISK CHAIR)  Strategy/Investment Banking	TIM TOOKEY 2015 (RISK CHAIR) Insurance/Retail Banking	MORTEN FRIIS 2014 (RISK CHAIR)    ☐ Capital Markets/Risk	ANNEMARIE DURBIN 2016 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) • Retail/Wholesale Banking/Legal	PHIL RIVETT 2020 (AUDIT CHAIR)
NED	DR MOHAMED A. EL-ERIAN 2020 El Economist	RACHEL DUAN 2021	LORD JAMES LUPTON CBE 2017 Investment Banking	MAI FYFIELD 2015 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)	ROBERT GILLESPIE 2013 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Wholesale Banking (ACA)	BARONESS NICKY MORGAN 2021 Government	JASMINE WHITBREAD 2015 Charity/Financial Information
NED	DAWN FITZPATRICK 2019  Asset Management	DAME CAROLYN FAIRBAIRN 2021 Big Broadcasting/ Strategy Consulting	AMANDA MACKENZIE  OBE 2018  Charity/Insurance/ Advertising	TAMARA RAJAH MBE 2020 Similar Strategy Consulting/ Digital	MIKE ROGERS 2016  Retail Banking/ Insurance	LISA FRETWELL 2022  Telecommunications	GAY HUEY EVANS OBE 2015 Capital Markets/ Regulation
NED	MARY FRANCIS CBE 2016 Government	JAMIE FORESE 2020  I Investment/Private Banking	HARMEEN MEHTA 2021  Telecommunications/ Investment Banking	ALBERT HITCHCOCK 2018  Media/ Telecommunications/IT	DR YASMIN JETHA 2020 ● Retail Banking/IT	MARK LEWIS 2020 Digital/Retail	DAVID CONNER 2016  Wholesale Banking
NED	CRAWFORD GILLIES 2014  Strategy Consulting (ACA)	2020 Tachnology	STUART SINCLAIR 2016**  Retail Banking/ Insurance	DEBBIE KLEIN 2021  Marketing/ Corporate Affairs	DR LENA WILSON CBE 2018 Government/ Investment Banking	DIRK MARZLUF 2019  is insurance/ Technology	DR BYRON GROTE 2014  Gas/Finance
NED	DIANE SCHUENEMAN 2015  iii Investment Banking	IRENE LEE 2015*  Wholesale Banking			FRANK DANGEARD 2016 Investment Banking/ Telecoms	ANTONIO SIMOES 2021  Retail/Private Banking	MARIA RAMOS 2021  Ed Economist/ Government/Transport/ Banking
NED	JULIA WILSON 2021  Accounting/ Telecommunications/ Investment Management	DR JOSÉ ANTONIO MEADE KURIBREÑA 2019  Government/ Banking				PAMELA WALKDEN 2021	DAVID TANG 2019 Tale Technology/Venture Capital
NED		EILEEN MURRAY 2020  Asset Management/ Investment Banking					CARLSON TONG 2019  Audit (FCA)
ED – CEO	C.S. VENKATAKRISHNAN 2021 Image: Investment Banking	NOEL QUINN 2019 Wholesale Banking	CHARLIE NUNN 2021 Retail Banking/ Strategy Consulting	JOE GARNER 2016* Retail Banking/ Telecommunications	ALISON ROSE 2019 Retail/Wholesale Banking	NATHAN BOSTOCK 2014**  Retail/Wholesale Banking (ACA)	BILL WINTERS CBE 2015  Bill Investment Banking
ED – CFO	TUSHAR MORZARIA 2013  Language Investment Banking/Wholesale Banking/ Finance (ACA)	EWEN STEVENSON 2019 Wholesale Banking/ Finance	WILLIAM CHALMERS 2019  Investment Banking	CHRIS RHODES 2009 Retail/Wholesale Banking/Finance (ACA)	KATIE MURRAY 2018 Retail/Wholesale Banking/Insurance/ Finance (CA)	DUKE DAYAL 2019 Retail/Wholesale Banking/Finance (CIMA)	ANDY HALFORD 2014  Telecommunications/Finance (FCA)
OTHER BOARD ROLES	Themes around Employee Representation, Technology and ESG are overseen by the Barclays Board.	Themes around Employee Representation, Technology and ESG are all covered by the Board as a whole, principally by the Risk Committee.	Chair of Responsible Business Committee.     Nigel Hinshelwood, member of ring fenced bank board, is Chair of the Cross Group Information Technology Cyber Security Advisory Forum.	Responsible for Employee Engagement.  Chair Board IT & Resilience Committee.	Chair Group Sustainable Banking Committee.     Chair of Technology & Innovation Committee.     Chair of Colleague Advisory Panel.	Chair of Responsible     Banking Committee.     Employee Representative.	Chair of Brand Values & Conduct Committee.     Chair of Board Financial Crime Risk Committee.

Note: Boards continue to change. Reflects the market as of January 2022. The board subcommittees noted in this table also cover the ring-fenced and non-ring-fenced boards.

\* Will leave the board in 2022.

\*\* Will step down in 2022.

\*\* Will step down in P202.

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# **Table**

# Ring-Fenced and Non-Ring-Fenced Bank Boards Analysis as of January 2022

 $Note: These \ are \ the \ subsidiary \ Boards \ of four \ of \ the \ Banks \ listed \ in \ Table \ 1A. \ They \ are \ not \ included \ in \ the \ analytics \ due \ to \ the \ overlap \ of \ Board \ members.$ 

Key:	NAME	Year of joining board	Nationality	Business background	Red highlights female
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	<b>BARCLAYS</b>	<b>BARCLAYS</b>	HSBC UK	HSBC 🖎	LLOYDS BANKING GROUP	LLOYDS BANK CORPORATE MARKETS	NatWest	<b>Გ NatWest</b> Markets
	BARCLAYS BANK UK PLC RING-FENCED	BARCLAYS BANK PLC NON-RING-FENCED	HSBC UK BANK PLC RING-FENCED	HSBC BANK PLC NON-RING-FENCED	LLOYDS BANK PLC* RING-FENCED	LLOYDS BANK CORPORATE MARKETS NON-RING-FENCED	NATWEST HOLDINGS LTD RING-FENCED	NATWEST MARKETS NON-RING-FENCED
CHAIR	CRAWFORD GILLIES 2021 Strategy Consulting (ACA)	NIGEL HIGGINS 2019 Investment Banking	DAME CLARA FURSE 2018 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Wholesale Banking/Markets	STEPHEN O'CONNOR 2018 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Investment Banking	ROBIN BUDENBERG CBE 2020 Investment Banking/Government ACA	LORD JAMES LUPTON CBE 2018 Investment Banking	SIR HOWARD DAVIES 2018 Regulator	FRANK DANGEARD 2018***  Investment Banking/Telecoms
NED	ANDREW RATCLIFFE 2018 (AUDIT CHAIR)	MIKE ASHLEY 2019 (AUDIT CHAIR) Risk/Audit (FCA)	JIM COYLE 2018 (AUDIT CHAIR)	JOHN TRUEMAN 2018 (DEPUTY CHAIR) Investment Banking	ALAN DICKINSON 2018 (DEPUTY CHAIR)  Retail/Wholesale Banking	JOHN OWEN 2018 (SID & REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Wholesale Banking	GRAHAM BEALE CBE 2018 (SID) Retail Banking (FCA)	ANNE SIMPSON 2020 (AUDIT CHAIR)
NED	DAVID THORBURN 2018 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail Banking/ Commercial Banking	TIM BREEDON CBE 2019 (RISK AND REMUNERATION CHAIR) Insurance/ Investment	MRIDUL HEGDE 2018 (RISK CHAIR) Government/ Regulatory	ANDREW WRIGHT 2018 (AUDIT CHAIR) Finance/ Investment Banking	NIGEL HINSHELWOOD 2019 (SID) Retail/ Commercial Banking	ANDREW MCINTYRE 2018 (AUDIT CHAIR)	PATRICK FLYNN 2018 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Retail/Wholesale Banking	VIVEK AHUJA 2018 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail/Wholesale Banking/Finance (ACA)
NED	MICHAEL JARY 2018 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Retail/Strategy	DR MOHAMED A. EL-ERIAN 2019  El Economist	ROSEMARY LEITH 2018  ♣ ■ Technology/ Financial Services	DR ERIC STRUTZ 2018 (RISK CHAIR)  I Investment Banking	SARAH LEGG 2019 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Wholesale/Retail Banking/Finance (CIMA)	JOHN CUMMINS 2018 (RISK CHAIR) Retail/ Commercial Banking/ Insurance	MORTEN FRIIS 2018 (RISK CHAIR)  Capital Markets/ (risk	TAMSIN ROWE 2019 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Investment Banking/HR
NED	AVID LARIZADEH DUGGAN OBE 2018 Technology/ Venture Capital	DAWN FITZPATRICK 2019  Asset Management	DAVID LISTER 2018 Consumer Goods/IT	NORMA DOVE-EDWIN 2021	CATHERINE WOODS 2020 (RISK CHAIR)  Wholesale Banking	CARLA ANTUNES DA SILVA 2018 (LLOYDS EXEC)  Image: Investment/ Wholesale Banking	ROBERT GILLESPIE 2018 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)	SARAH WILKINSON 2018  Investment Banking/IT
NED	2018 Investment Management	MARY FRANCIS CBE 2019 Government	LESLIE VAN DE WALLE 2018 Retail/Oil and Gas	DAME MARY MARSH 2018 Charity	STUART SINCLAIR 2018** (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Et Retail Banking	EVE HENRIKSON 2020	MIKE ROGERS 2018 Retail Banking/ Insurance	
NED	CHRIS PILLING 2018 Retail Banking	DIANE SCHUENEMAN 2019  Image: Investment Banking		YUKIKO OMURA 2018  Image: Investment Banking	SARAH BENTLEY 2019 Strategy/ Operations/Technology	EMMA LAWRENCE 2021 Retail Banking/ Consulting	DR YASMIN JETHA 2018 Retail Banking/IT	
NED				JULIET ROBINSON 2021 Wholesale Banking	BRENDAN GILLIGAN 2019 Retail/ Commercial Banking		DR LENA WILSON CBE 2018 Government/ Investment Banking	
NED					LORD JAMES LUPTON CBE 2018 Investment Banking		FRANCESCA BARNES 2018 Investment Banking	
NED					AMANDA MACKENZIE OBE 2018 Charity/ Insurance/Advertising		IAN CORMACK 2018  Investment  Management	
NED					HARMEEN MEHTA 2021  Telecommunications/ Investment Banking		MARK SELIGMAN 2018  Investment Banking	
ED – CEO	MATT HAMMERSTEIN 2019 Retail Banking/ Consulting	C.S. VENKATAKRISHNAN 2021 Image: Investment Banking	IAN STUART 2018 Retail/ Commercial Banking	COLIN BELL 2021 Wholesale Banking/Armed Forces	CHARLIE NUNN 2021 Retail Banking/ Strategy Consulting	EDUARDO STOCK DA CUNHA 2020	ALISON ROSE 2018 Retail/Wholesale Banking	ROBERT BEGBIE 2019 Wholesale/Retail Banking
ED – CFO	JAMES MACK 2020 Retail/ Commercial Banking/ Finance	TUSHAR MORZARIA 2013 Linvestment Banking/Wholesale Banking/Finance (ACA)	CLAIRE BAIRD 2021  Retail Banking/ Finance	DAVID WATTS 2018  Retail Banking/ Audit/Finance	WILLIAM CHALMERS 2019 Investment Banking	JULIENNE DAGLISH 2021 Wholesale Banking	KATIE MURRAY 2018 Retail/Wholesale Banking/Insurance/ Finance	DAVID KING 2020 Wholesale Banking

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\* At Lloyds Banking Group, The Group Board effectively operates as the ring-fenced bank board, but with three additional independent NEDs.

\*\* Stepping down in 2022.

\*\*\* Acts as an observer at the Natwest Holdings Ltd Board.



# **Table**

# Mid-Sized Listed UK Bank Boards Analysis as of January 2022

Key: NAME Year of joining board Red highlights female

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	Close Brothers Modern Merchant Banking	BANK	Savings Bank	paragon	Bank	VIRGIN MONEY UK
CHAIR	MIKE BIGGS 2017	ROBERT SHARPE 2020 Big Building Society/ Retail Banking	DAVID WEYMOUTH 2017 Retail Banking/ Insurance/IT	FIONA CLUTTERBUCK 2012* Investment Banking/ Strategy	THE RT HON. THE LORD FORSYTH OF DRUMLEAN 2014 Government/ Wholesale Banking	DAVID BENNETT 2015 Retail Banking
NED	MARK PAIN 2021 (SID)  Retail/Retail Banking/Real Estate (FCA)	MONIQUE MELIS 2017 (SID)	NOËL HARWERTH 2019 (SID) Insurance/ Wholesale/Investment Banking	HUGO TUDOR 2014 (SID & REMUNERATION CHAIR)  LE Fund Management (ACA)	ANN BERRESFORD 2016 (SID & AUDIT CHAIR)  i Oil and Gas/Retail Banking (ACA)	TIM WADE 2016 (SID & AUDIT CHAIR)  The Retail Banking (FCA)
NED	OLIVER CORBETT 2014 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Investment Banking/ Insurance (FCA)	MICHAEL TORPEY 2019 (AUDIT CHAIR)  E Retail/Wholesale Banking	RAJAN KAPOOR 2019 (AUDIT CHAIR) Retail/Wholesale Banking (FCA)	ALISON MORRIS 2020 (AUDIT CHAIR)	PAUL MYERS 2018 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail/Commercial Banking	GEETA GOPALAN 2018 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail/Corporate Banking/Payments (ACA)
NED	LESLEY JONES 2013 (RISK CHAIR) Wholesale Banking/ Risk	IAN HENDERSON 2020 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail/Wholesale Banking	GRAHAM ALLATT 2014 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail/Wholesale Banking (FCA)	PETER HILL 2020 (RISK CHAIR)  Building Society	VICTORIA STEWART 2016 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Asset management	DARREN POPE 2018 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)  E Retail Banking/ Finance (FCCA)
NED	REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Investment Management	CATHERINE BROWN 2018 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Retail Banking/ Private Equity	MARY MCNAMARA 2014 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)	BARBARA RIDPATH 2017  Wholesale Banking/ Credit Rating Agency	BARONESS LUCY NEVILLE ROLFE DBE, CMG 2018  Retail/Government	PAUL COBY 2016  Retail/IT
NED	PETER DUFFY 2019 Digital/Travel/Retail/ Wholesale Banking	SALLY CLARK 2020 Retail/Wholesale/ Investment Banking	SARAH HEDGER 2019 Investment/ Commercial Banking	GRAEME YORSTON 2017  Be Retail Banking/IT	FINLAY WILLIAMSON 2021  Retail Banking/ Finance (ACA)	ELENA NOVOKRESHCHENOVA 2021 Tech/Digital/Finance
NED	PATRICIA HALLIDAY 2021 Commercial/Retail Banking/Risk	ANNE GRIM 2020  Retail Banking/ Investment Management	SIMON WALKER 2022  Management Consulting			AMY STIRLING 2018**  Telecoms/Media/ Financial Services/Finance (FCA)
NED	TESULA MOHINDRA 2021 Consulting/Corporate Banking/Pensions	PAUL THANDI CBE 2019 Events/Media				
NED	SALLY WILLIAMS 2020 Retail Banking/Audit/ Insurance (ACA)	NICK WINSOR 2020 Retail/Commercial Banking				
ED – CEO	ADRIAN SAINSBURY 2020 Wholesale Banking	DAN FRUMKIN 2020  Lig Wholesale/Retail Banking	ANDY GOLDING 2012	NIGEL TERRINGTON 1990 It Investment/ Wholesale Banking	DAVID MCCREADIE 2019	DAVID DUFFY 2015  Eta Retail/Wholesale Banking
ED – CFO	MIKE MORGAN 2018  Wholesale Banking/ Insurance/Finance (ACA)	DAVID ARDEN 2018 Retail Banking/ Finance (CIMA)	APRIL TALINTYRE 2012 Wholesale Banking/ Audit (ACA)	RICHARD WOODMAN 2012 Wholesale Banking (CIMA)	RACHEL LAWRENCE 2020 Retail Banking (ACMA)	CLIFFORD ABRAHAM 2021 Banking/Insurance

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# $Subsidiary/Private\ Equity/Hedge\ Fund\ backed\ UK\ Boards\ Analysis\ as\ of\ January\ 2022$

Key: NAME Year of joining board Nationality

	Aldermere	Castle Trust Bank	The <b>co-operative</b> bank	Handelsbanken	Sainsbury's Bank	Shawbrook Bank	TESCO Bank	TSB
CHAIR	PAT BUTLER 2018 Consulting/ Financial Services	RICHARD PYM CBE 2020  Retail/ Wholesale Banking (ACA)	BOB DENCH 2018 Insurance/ Retail Banking	MIKAEL HALLÅKER 2018  Elli Retail/ Wholesale Banking	LESLEY JONES 2021 Wholesale Banking/Risk	JOHN CALLENDER 2018 © Retail/ Wholesale Banking	SIR JOHN KINGMAN 2019 Government/ Investment Banking	NICK PRETTEJOHN 2021 Insurance
NED	JOHN HITCHINS 2014 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Audit (FCA)	ERIC ANSTEE 2020 (SID & AUDIT CHAIR) Wholesale Banking/Energy/Audit (FCA)	DEREK WEIR 2014 (SID & RISK CHAIR)  The Retail/ Wholesale Banking	JOHN ELLACOTT 2018 (AUDIT CHAIR)	PETER CLARKE 2018 (SID & REMUNERATION CHAIR) I Investment Management	ROBIN ASHTON 2011 (SID & REMUNERATION CHAIR) REMUNERATION CHAIR) Retail/ Commercial Banking (ACA)	JACQUI FERGUSON 2018 (SID) TE Technology	LYNNE PEACOCK 2020 (SID & REMUNERATION CHAIR)
NED	RICHARD BANKS CBE 2020 (RISK CHAIR) III Retail/ Wholesale Banking	MARIAN MARTIN 2019 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail Banking (CA)	GLYN SMITH 2016 (AUDIT CHAIR) Retail Banking (ACA)	PATRICIA JACKSON 2021 (RISK CHAIR)  The Financial Services Policy/Risk Consulting	CAROLE MACHELL 2018 (AUDIT CHAIR) Wholesale/ Private Banking (ACA)	ANDREW DIDHAM 2017 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Fig Finance/ Commercial Banking (FCA)	JULIE CURRIE 2021 (AUDIT CHAIR) Banking/ Finance	MARK RENNISON 2020 (AUDIT CHAIR)  LE British, Building Society/Audit/ Finance, FCA
NED	CATHY TURNER 2014 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Retail/ Wholesale Banking	DR ANDREW DOMAN 2017 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Strategy Consulting/Investment Management	SIR BILL THOMAS 2013 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)	MAUREEN LAURIE 2018 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Retail/ Wholesale Banking/ Media	GUY THOMAS 2017 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail Banking (ACA)	PAUL LAWRENCE 2015 (RISK CHAIR)	ROBERT ENDERSBY 2014 (RISK CHAIR) Wholesale/ Retail Banking	ANDREW SIMMONDS 2018 (RISK CHAIR) Wholesale/ Retail Banking
NED	DES CROWLEY 2020 DES Retail/ Commercial Banking	TUGHAN ALIOGLU 2020 Size investment Management	SEBASTIAN GRIGG 2021 Pill Investment Banking	AGNETA LILJA 2019 Retail/ Wholesale Banking	CLODAGH MORIARTY 2020* Digital/ Retailer/Strategy	2017  Private Equity	AMANDA RENDLE 2016 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Marketing/ Retail and Commercial Banking	ADAM BANKS 2021
NED	RUTH HANDCOCK 2021 Energy/Retail Banking/Consumer	TIM HANFORD 2010  I Investment Management	SUE HARRIS 2019  The Retail  Banking/Retail	ARJA TAAVENIKU 2021  THE Retail Banking/Retail	MICHAEL ROSS 2015  Retailer/ Digital	LINDSEY MCMURRAY 2011 Private Equity	LIZ BUCKLEY 2021	ELIZABETH (LIBBY) CHAMBERS 2020 Line Retail Banking /Consulting/Marketing
NED	HENRY KELLAN 2018  Retail/ Wholesale Banking (ACA)	MELBA MONTAGUE 2020 Technology Consulting (FCA)	SALLY-ANN HIBBERD 2019 Retail/ Wholesale Banking/ Insurance	MARGARET WILLIS 2021  Retail Banking/Wealth Management		MICHELE TURMORE 2019 Retail/ Commercial Banking/IT	SIMON MACHELL 2013  Insurance (FCA)	ALICIA REYES 2021 Banking
NED	ROMY MURRAY 2021  Retail/ Wholesale Banking		RICHARD SLIMMON 2021 Investment Banking				ADRIAN MORRIS 2021 Legal/ Retail/ Energy	TOMÁS VARELA 2015  Retail Banking/Insurance (CPA)
NED	ALAN PULLINGER 2018 The Retail/ Wholesale Banking						TIKU PATEL 2021**  Retail/Retail Banking/Finance	DAVID VEGARA 2019 Government/ Retail/Wholesale Banking
APPRENTICE NED	NICOLINA ANDALL 2021 Law							
ED – CEO	STEVEN COOPER 2021 Retail/ Business Banking	MARTIN BISCHOFF 2018 Retail Banking (FCA)	NICK SLAPE 2019 Commercial/ Investment Banking/ Finance (CIMA)	MIKAEL SØRENSEN 2018  Retail/ Wholesale Banking	JIM BROWN 2019  Retail/ Commercial Banking	MARCELINO CASTRILLO 2021 E Retail/ Commerical Banking/ Consulting	GERRY MALLON 2018 Retail Banking	ROBIN BULLOCH 2021*** Retail Banking
ED – CFO	CLAIRE CORDELL 2019  Retail/ Wholesale Banking/ Insurance/Finance	PAUL LLOYD-JONES 2019 Retail/ Wholesale Banking/ Investment Banking	LOUISE BRITNELL 2021 Linvestment Management/Audit	JORGEN OLANDER 2021 Retail/ Wholesale Banking/Audit	MICHAEL LARKIN 2018  Retail/ Commercial Banking/ Finance	DYLAN MINTO 2017 Finance/ Commercial Banking (FCA)	RICHARD HENDERSON 2017 Retail Banking/Risk (FCA)	DECLAN HOURICAN 2021 Retail Banking

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\* Is a J Sainsbury Nominated NED.

\*\* Awaiting regulatory approval.

\*\*\* Interim CEO.

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## **Table**

# $Larger\ UK\ Building\ Societies\ and\ Leading\ Irish\ Bank\ Boards\ Analysis\ as\ of\ January\ 2022$

Key: NAME Year of joining board Nationality Business background Red highlights female

	COVENTRY Building Society	Leeds Building Society	SKIPTON BUILDING SOCIETY	YORKSHIRE BUILDING SOCIETY	AIB	AIB (UK)	Bank of Ireland Group (S)	Bank of Ireland (18) UK
CHAIR	GARY HOFFMAN 2018# Insurance/ Retail Banking	IAIN CORNISH 2019 Retail Banking/ Building Society	ROBERT EAST 2011** Retail/ Commercial Banking	JOHN HEAPS 2014 Legal	JIM PETTIGREW 2021	PETER SPRATT 2015 Restructuring (ACA)	PATRICK KENNEDY 2010 Betting/ Consumer Goods (ACA)	PETER HERBERT 2020 Retail/ Commercial Banking
NED	JO KENRICK 2017 (DEPUTY CHAIR, SID & REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Construction/ Retail/Marketing	GARETH HOSKIN 2015 (SID, VICE CHAIR & AUDIT CHAIR)	MARK LUND 2016 (SID & DEPUTY CHAIR)  Wealth Management	ALISON HUTCHINSON CBE 2015 (SID & DEPUTY CHAIR) Retail Banking	BRENDAN MCDONAGH 2016 (DEPUTY CHAIR & RISK CHAIR) Retail/ Wholesale Banking	GRAHAM BUCKLAND 2017 (SID) Corporate/ Investment Banking	RICHARD GOULDING 2017 (SID, DEPUTY & RISK CHAIR) Investment/ Wholesale Banking	PHILIP MOORE 2018 (AUDIT CHAIR) Background
NED	(AUDIT CHAIR)  Assurance (ACA)	DAVID FISHER 2012 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail Banking	RICHARD COATES 2017 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Language Audit/ Building Society (ACA)	QUY BAINBRIDGE 2019 (AUDIT CHAIR) Audit/ Financial Services (ACA)	CAROLAN LENNON 2016 (SID) Telecommunications	ROGER PERKIN 2017 (AUDIT CHAIR)	EVELYN BOURKE 2018 (AUDIT CHAIR)  I Insurance/ Healthcare	RICHARD SOMMERS 2021 (RISK CHAIR) Wholesale Banking
NED	MARTIN STEWART 2018 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail Banking/Regulator	LYNN MCMANUS 2017 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Retail Banking (CIMA)	DENIS HALL 2017 (RISK CHAIR) Wholesale/ Retail Banking	NEETA ATKAR 2017 (RISK CHAIR)	SANDY KINNEY PRITCHARD 2019 (AUDIT CHAIR) Audit/ Financial Services (ACA)	PAUL HORNER 2020 (RISK CHAIR) Retail/ Private Banking	STEVE PATEMAN 2018 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Wholesale/ Retail Banking	CLARE SALMON 2021 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Insurance
NED	CATHERINE DORAN 2016 IT/Business/ Retail Banking	ANNETTE BARNES 2019 Retail	HELEN STEVENSON 2013 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Retail Banking/Consumer Goods	GUY PARSONS 2013* (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Leisure	REMUNERATION CHAIR) Retail/ Insurance/Asset Management	GERALDINE CASEY 2021 Human Resources/Financial Services	GILES ANDREWS 2020 Fintech/ Retail Banking	IAN BUCHANAN 2018 Retail/ Wholesale Banking/IT
NED	SHAMIRA MOHAMMED 2019	NEIL FULLER 2020 Retail Banking/Risk	AMANDA BURTON 2016 Legal	DINA MATTA 2021 Banking/ Telco/ Transformation	BASIL GEOGHEGAN 2019 Investment Banking	TRACY DUNLEY-OWEN 2020 Investment Management/Finance (ACA)	IAN BUCHANAN 2018 Retail/ Wholesale Banking/IT	ALISON BURNS 2021  Insurance/ Retail Banking
NED	BRENDAN O'CONNOR 2021 Retail/ Commercial Banking	ANITA TADAYON 2021  Telecommunications/ Government	HEATHER JACKSON 2018 Retail Banking/Retail/IT	MARK PARSONS 2020 Building Society/Retail Banking (FCMA)	ANIK CHAUMARTIN 2021 Professional Services/Audit	WILLIAM FALL 2021 Wholesale Banking	EILEEN FITZPATRICK 2019  Asset Management/ Stockbroking	JACKIE NOAKES 2018 Retail Banking/Insurance/IT
NED			PHILIP MOORE 2021 Insurance/ Finance (ACA)	JENNELLE TILLING 2021 Food & Beverage	TANYA HORGAN 2021 Bookmaking	JOSEPH HIGGINS 2021 Retail Banking	MICHELE GREENE 2019**** Retail/ Investment Banking (FCA)	MARK SPAIN 2019 Retail/ Wholesale Banking
NED					ANDY MAGUIRE 2021 Retail Banking	SHELLEY MALTON 2018 Telecoms/ Retail Banking/ Credit Card	FIONA MULDOON 2015 Insurance (FCA)	
NED					HELEN NORMOYLE 2016 Regulatory	HELEN NORMOYLE 2021 Retail/ Media/Regulatory		
NED					ANN O'BRIEN 2019			
NED					FERGAL O'DWYER 2021 Finance (FCA)			
NED					JAN SIJBRAND 2021  Retail Banking/Regulatory			
NED					RAJ SINGH 2019 Banking/ (Re)insurance/Asset Management			
ED – CEO	STEVE HUGHES 2020  Retail Banking/Insurance/ Finance (CIMA)	2016 Retail Banking/Consulting	DAVID CUTTER 2000* Building Society (ACA)	(INTERIM CEO)  Retail Banking	DR COLIN HUNT 2019 Retail Banking/Investment Banking	ROBERT MULHALL 2020* (MD) Retail/ Corporate Banking/ Consulting	FRANCESCA MCDONAGH 2017 Retal/ Wholesale Banking	IAN MCLAUGLIN 2019 Retail Banking
ED – CFO	LEE RAYBOULD 2021 Retail Banking	ANDREW CONROY 2020 Retail Banking/Building Society (ACA)	BOBBY NDAWULA 2015 Building Society/Audit (ACA)	ALASDAIR LENMAN 2017 Fig Retail Banking/Insurance/ Finance (ACMA)	DONAL GALVIN 2021  E Retail Banking/ Wholesale Banking	***	MYLES O'GRADY 2019* Retail/ Wholesale/Investment Banking (FCA)	THOMAS MCAREAVEY 2017 Retail/ Commercial Banking (FCA)
ED	PETER FROST 2012  Retail Banking	ANDREW GREENWOOD 2015 (DEPUTY CEO) Building Society	2016 Retail Banking/Building Society	DAVID MORRIS 2016 (CHIEF COMMERCIAL OFFICER)  Retail Banking/Building Society/Wealth	GERALDINE CASEY 2021 Human Resources/Financial Services			
ED		ROB HOWSE 2021 (COO) Retail Banking/Tech & Transformation	IAN CORNELIUS 2012 Wholesale Banking/Building Society					

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# Will step down in 2022. David Thorburn will join as Chair in April 2022. "Will step down in 2022. "" To be announced. """ Michele Greene is an Irish Government nominated director.

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**Table** 

# "Neobank"/Fintech UK Bank Boards Analysis as of January 2022

Key: NAME Year of joining board Nationality Business background Red highlights female

	Atom	CHETWOOD FINANCIAL LIMITED	<b>⋈</b> monzo	OakNorth Bank	STARLING BANK	TANDEM	ZOPA
CHAIR	BRIDGET ROSEWELL CBE 2014 Government/ Economist	ALAN COOK CBE 2017  Insurance/Post/ Retail Banking	GARY HOFFMAN 2019 Insurance/Retail Banking	CYRUS ARDALAN 2015 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Investment Banking	DAVID SPROUL 2021  Management Consulting	JEFFREY PRITCHARD 2018 Wholesale/Retail Banking	PETER HERBERT 2018  Retail/ Commercial Banking
NED	DAVID ROPER 2018 (SID, AUDIT CHAIR & ACTING RISK CHAIR)	MATT SYMONDS 2017 (SID & REMUNERATION CHAIR)	PHILLIP RIESE 2019 (SID) Retail Banking/ Cards	TED BERK 2017 (SID) Private Equity	CAROLYN CLARKE 2020 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Audit/Finance/ Governance (FCA)	DAVID FISHER 2020 (SID & RISK CHAIR)	GAENOR BAGLEY 2019 (AUDIT & REMUNERATION CHAIR)
NED	CHERYL MILLINGTON 2018 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Retail/Retail Banking/IT	EMER DALY 2017 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Audit/Insurance (ACA)	FIONA MCBAIN 2020 (AUDIT CHAIR) Financial Services/Retail	ROBERT BURGESS 2015 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail Banking/Wealth & Asset Management/FinTech	MARIAN MARTIN 2019 (RISK CHAIR)	TALITA FERREIRA 2021 (AUDIT CHAIR) Finance, Automotive (FCA)	RICHARD GOULDING 2018 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail/ Wholesale/Investment Banking
NED	CHRISTINE COE 2021 Retail Banking	DUNCAN MARTIN 2020 (RISK CHAIR)  Consulting/ Wholesale Banking	KEITH WOOLLARD 2016 (RISK CHAIR)  Retail Banking/ Regulatory	CAROLYN SCHUETZ 2021 (AUDIT CHAIR)  Retail Banking	TRACY CLARKE 2021 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)	MARGARET HASSALL 2020 (REMUNERATION CHAIR) Retail & Corporate Banking/ Technology	GILES ANDREWS 2021 Retail Banking/ Fintech
NED	LAURENCE HOLLINGWORTH 2021 Asset Management	MIKE BRACKEN 2020 Digital/IT	AMY KIRK 2017 (REMUNERATION CHAIR)  Retail Banking		LAZARO CAMPOS 2018  Payments	JEROEN NIEUWKOOP 2021 Limit Investment Management	NICHOLAS ASPINALL 2021 Legal/ Investments/Insurance
NED	GONZALO ROMERA LOBO 2019*  E Retail Banking/ Wholesale Banking		2015 Technology/ Venture Capital		IAN JENKINS 2021 Wholesale Banking	JAMES SCOTT 2020 Investment Management (ACA)	PAUL CUTTER 2018  Betting/Media/ Technology/IT
NED	ERGUN ÖZEN 2016*  C•		VALERIE DIAS 2021  Retail Banking		OLIVER STOCKEN CBE 2015 Retail/Wholesale Banking	DAVID TORPEY 2020 Retail Banking/ Wholesale Banking	CHRIS JONES 2021  Retail Banking/ Lending
NED	ALICIA PERTUSA SANTOS 2020*  Corporate and Investment Banking/Digital				MARCUS TRAILL 2015  Investment Management		CORDON MCCALLUM 2021 Retail Banking/ Telecoms/Consulting
NED							MICHAEL WOODBURN 2021 Consultancy/ Retail Banking/Marketing
ED – CEO	MARK MULLEN 2014	ANDY MIELCZAREK 2017 Retail Banking/ Credit Cards	TS ANIL 2020  Retail Banking/ Cards	RISHI KHOSLA 2015  Investment Banking/Investment Research/Fintech Finance	ANNE BODEN MBE 2014  Retail/Wholesale Banking	SUSIE ALIKER 2021 SINE SME/ Commercial Banking CIMA	JAIDEV JANARDANA 2014  Credit Cards/ Consumer Lending/ Investments
ED – CFO	DAVID MCCARTHY 2014 Retail Banking/ Finance (FCA/AMCT)	SIMON ALLSOP 2021 Capital Markets, Treasury, Liability Management	JAMES DAVIES 2021 Retail/Asset Management/Wholesale Banking	RAJESH GUPTA 2021 Finance	TONY ELLINGHAM 2016**  Retail/Wholesale Banking/Finance (ACA)	ANTHONY MURPHY 2020 Wholesale Banking	STEVE HULME 2018 Retail Banking
ED		CHRIS DANIELS 2020 Retail Banking/ Risk		JOEL PERLMAN 2015 Investment Research/Fintech Finance/ Consulting			
ED		MARK JENKINSON 2018  Technology Consulting					

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\* These directors are investor board members.

\*\* Has announced he will step down.

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# **Changing climate in the Boardroom**

# 2021 saw a change in the weather

Climate change is no longer solely a strand of investor interest addressed through ESG programmes. The question is increasingly how the inevitable and rapidly approaching repricing of carbon - and potentially other assets - will be managed by regulators, governments and markets. These issues were addressed seriously at COP for the first time in 2021, led by authoritative figures in international finance such as Mark Carney and Bill Winters.

The result has been concrete steps towards establishing the norms and structures for net zero market economies:

- The Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net Zero (GFANZ) announced that 450 financial institutions responsible for \$130 trillion of assets had pledged to rapid decarbonisation potentially delivering 70 per cent of all the investments needed to reach net zero by 2050.
- The UK became the first country to make Task Force in Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) disclosures mandatory across the market by 2025 it is already a requirement for the largest companies.
- The EU and the UK are devising green taxonomies to support effective disclosure (and therefore pricing) of environmental impact.
- A new International Sustainability Standards Board will develop a single, globally consistent set of baseline sustainability reporting standards to assist investors and other stakeholders, and put pressure on those scoring poorly.
- ISS will vote against board members of companies that do not take minimum steps to understand, assess and mitigate climaterisk disclosures and emissions targets risks.

Activist investors are also continuing to have impact, with ExxonMobil recently under pressure to set a more sustainable path, and evolve its Board.

It is clear that climate is in the vanguard of broader debates on value, pricing, purpose and impact. ESG more generally, and themes of inequality and social justice, are linked to these fast moving 'weather systems'.

#### Do boards have the skills?

Few boards across banking and other sectors today, however, have deep knowledge or expertise across this complex and fast moving field. Work by NYU's Stern Center for Sustainable Business found that 7% of US board members were 'climate competent' - and that the companies most exposed to broader environmental, social and governance risks often lack directors with relevant expertise. Pilita Clark noted in her FT column earlier in 2021 that 'most UK boardrooms do not have enough climate and its business/ societal implications expertise in the room'.

#### Responses to the skills shortage

Board actions in response fall into three categories: organising the Board's time and focus, securing external expertise, and training.

- HSBC, Barclays and Nationwide treat climate and sustainability/ESG as a core matter for the whole board. Others supplement this
  with a sub-committee: Natwest has a Sustainable Banking Committee, Santander UK has a Responsible Banking Committee as
  does Lloyds Banking Group, who were early adopters of this approach. In the US, JP Morgan has a Public Responsibility Committee
  that covers sustainability and climate.
- In terms of acquiring external expertise, some organisations are establishing specialist Advisory Boards: in an adjacent sector, KKR announced a new Sustainability Expert Advisory Council with coverage of climate and energy policy, reporting standards, sustainable finance and entrepreneurship and innovation. Banks are increasingly using specialist Senior Advisors to support the Board, sub-committees and the executive. NatWest, for example, work with Lord Stern as their Senior Advisor across climate change and sustainability.
- Boards also use global firms and specialist consultancies, and there is significant board education and training underway Chapter Zero, for example, offers targeted resources to the UK director community.
- Most banks, and all banks of scale, are building their senior executive capability in this area with the agenda being moved to the
  Exco, linking it closely to core purpose, business strategy and outcomes. We expect significant sustainability/impact hiring in
  future at the executive level, and that Boards will appoint climate/sustainability experts to their Boards.

## It's not just skills, it's culture

Notwithstanding this progress, some argue that the carbon economy still has too much cultural reach in banking. A report in 2021 by the activist group DeSmog suggested that 'polluting industries' remain heavily represented on financial services boards. It is a question of optics but also substantively of outlook, expertise and bias, in an environment of increasing scrutiny of boards and business activities. Building these skills also enables businesses to lead on innovation and growth opportunities associated with climate and green finance.

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#### A problem of scarcity

Today, there is a shortage of specialist expertise in these fields and those with the knowledge may not be best suited to, nor attracted to, regulated bank boards. People who can advise in a visionary but expert and proportionate manner, and those able to place climate in the context of ESG and the associated business realities, will therefore be in high demand.

The Financial Conduct Authority is concerned that firms avoid 'competence-washing' across the financial services ESG sector as the demand for expertise accelerates against a limited pool of proven talent. 2022 will see more momentum, pressure and initiatives in this field, and Ridgeway will have a role to play in finding and attracting the best solutions for Boardroom climate.

# **Company Highlights over the last six months**

#### CHAIRS

- There have been three new Chairs announced at AIB Group PLC (Jim Pettigrew), Nationwide Building Society (Kevin Parry), and TSB Banking Group PLC (Nicholas Prettejohn). The new Chair of Starling Bank joined in October. Gwyn Burr will become Chair at Skipton Building Society in April.
- This compares to two new chair appointments in the first half of 2021. None of these appointments were female in 2021.

#### NON EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

- Since July 2021, there have been 39 new NED appointments at the following banks: HSBC Holdings PLC, Lloyds Banking Group PLC, Santander UK PLC, HSBC Bank PLC, Close Brothers Group PLC, OSB Group PLC, Aldermore Bank PLC, Handelsbanken PLC, Tesco Bank, Leeds Building Society, Yorkshire Building Society, AlB Group PLC, AlB Group UK PLC, Bank of Ireland UK PLC, Atom Bank PLC, Monzo Bank Ltd and Starling Bank Ltd and Zopa Bank.
- This compares to 20 new NED appointments in the first half of 2021.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

#### **Chief Executive Officers**

- There have been two new CEO appointments since July 2021: Barclays PLC (C.S. Venkatakrishnan) and Lloyds Banking Group PLC (Charlie Nunn). There have been two significant CEO appointments announced: Debbie Crosbie will be joining Nationwide Building Society and Mike Regnier will join Santander UK in the first half of 2022. Interim CEO appointments have been made at TSB Banking Group PLC (Robin Bulloch) and Yorkshire Building Society (Stephen White).
- There is a CEO search underway at Skipton Building Society.
- This compares to four new chief executive officer appointments in the first half of 2021, one of which was female.

#### **Chief Financial Officers**

- Over the last six month period there have been five new chief financial officer appointments at HSBC UK Bank PLC, Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets, Handelsbanken PLC, TSB Banking Group PLC and Monzo Bank Ltd. Two of these placements were female.
- This compares to two in the first six months of 2021.

### **Coverage and methodology of the report**

- The Ring-Fenced and Non-Ring-Fenced Bank Board members on Table 1b are not included in the board analytics/ graphs on page 3 due to the overlap of board members with the group boards.
- We have included specialist subcommittees and noted employee representatives for the largest UK Banks and Mutual Boards on Table 1a.

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