

## MEMBERS

### Non-Executive Members

#### Chairman

##### **Lord Burns GCB**

Appointed as Chairman on 28 January 2010, his initial appointment ran until January 2013 and has been extended to January 2016.

Lord Burns is Chairman of Santander UK plc and is a Non-Executive Member of the Office for Budget Responsibility.

He began his career in 1965 at the London Business School, becoming a professor of Economics in 1979. In 1980 he was appointed Chief Economic Adviser to HM Treasury and Head of the Government Economic Service. In 1991 he became Permanent Secretary to HM Treasury, a post he held until 1998, when he was appointed a life peer.

Previous appointments included acting as an independent adviser to the Secretary of State for Culture, Media & Sport on the previous BBC Charter Review. He has also been Chairman of Marks and Spencer plc, Glas Cymru Ltd (Welsh Water), the Governing Board of the Royal Academy of Music and the National Lottery Commission, and a Non-Executive Director of Banco Santander SA, Pearson Group plc, The British Land Company plc and Legal & General plc.

##### **Monica Burch**

Monica Burch joined the Board on 1 October 2010. Her initial appointment ran until September 2013 and has been extended until September 2016. Monica is Senior Partner of law firm Addleshaw Goddard LLP, and Chairs the firm's Board. Monica also chairs the firm's Charitable Trust and is a Board Member of charitable organisation PRIME, which promotes fair and equal access to quality work experience in the legal profession.

Monica is a Partner in Addleshaw Goddard's litigation practice where she heads contentious IP. Prior to her appointment as Senior Partner in 2011, Monica was a Board Member for six years. She also sat on the Management Board of predecessor firm Theodore Goddard.

Monica was appointed a Civil Recorder in 2010 (a part-time judicial appointment), is a CEDR-qualified mediator and was named by The Lawyer magazine as one of the 'Hot 100 Lawyers' in 2007 and 2011. She was named in the Timewise Power Part-Time List in 2013.

Monica graduated from Oxford University with a degree in Jurisprudence in 1987, and gained a distinction in her Masters Degree in Commercial Intellectual Property from Nottingham Trent University in 2007. Monica has worked in the US and UK, and has advised a variety of businesses, mainly in the consumer sector, across the globe.

##### **Alicja Lesniak**

Alicja Lesniak joined the Board on 1 October 2010. Her initial appointment ran until September 2013 and has been extended until September 2016. Alicja is also Senior Independent Director and Chair of the Audit Committee of Next 15, an AIM-listed worldwide digital communications Group, and a Non-Executive Director and Audit Chair of SThree plc, a specialist permanent and contract staffing business. She is also Business Adviser to the Board of The British Standards Institution.

Until 2009, Alicja was Chief Financial Officer of Aegis plc. Prior to this, she was Chief Financial Officer of BBDO EMEA, Chief Financial Officer of Ogilvy and Mather Worldwide, and Managing Director of J Walter Thompson.

Alicja Lesniak is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

##### **Mark Price**

Mark Price was appointed to the Board on 1 October 2010 and his initial appointment ran until September 2013. In 2013 his term was extended and he was appointed Deputy Chairman and Senior Independent Member until September 2016. Mark joined John Lewis Partnership in 1982 as a graduate trainee. He held numerous posts before becoming Managing Director of Waitrose in April 2007. Prior to this, in 2005 Mark was appointed as the Partnership Development Director (responsible for Strategy among other things) when he became a Member of the Partnership Board. Mark became Chairman of Business in the Community in January 2011, a post he held for four years. He is also Chairman of the Prince's Countryside Fund.

##### **Richard Rivers**

Richard Rivers joined the Board on 1 October 2010. His initial appointment ran until September 2013 and has been extended until September 2016. Richard Rivers is a former Chief of Staff and Head of Corporate Development at Unilever. As well as his role as a Non-Executive Board Member for Channel 4, Richard is a Non-Executive Director of Mothercare plc and Lumene Oy and a Member of the advisory board of WPP plc.

##### **Paul Potts CBE**

Paul Potts joined the Board on 1 January 2012. His initial appointment ran until December 2014 and has been extended until December 2017. He began his career as a reporter on the *Sheffield Star* in 1968 and worked for numerous newspapers, including the *Daily Telegraph* and *Daily Express*, where he was Deputy Editor. He joined the Press Association in 1995 as Editor-in-Chief. Paul was appointed Group Chief Executive in 2000 and Executive Chairman in 2008. He retired from PA Group in 2010.

Paul became a Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) in 2009. He has an honorary degree of Doctor of Letters from the University of Sheffield and in 2010 he was appointed Visiting Professor of Journalism. He is also a media consultant and former media adviser to the Joint Parliamentary Committee on Privacy and Injunctions.

##### **MT Rainey**

MT Rainey joined the Board on 1 January 2012. Her initial appointment ran until December 2014 and has been extended until December 2017. MT (Mary Teresa) Rainey was Founder and CEO of top UK advertising agency Rainey Kelly Campbell Roalfe/Y&R. Since 2008 she has been Non-Executive Chairman of the fast-growing digital strategy agency Th\_nk. She is also the Founder of horsesmouth.co.uk, a social enterprise for informal online mentoring.

In a voluntary capacity, MT is Vice Chair of Creative Skillset, the sector skills council for the Creative Industries. She is a former Chairman of Marketing Group of Great Britain and recent President of The Thirty Club.

##### **Josie Rourke**

Josie Rourke joined the Board on 1 January 2012. Her initial appointment ran until December 2014 and has been extended until December 2017. Josie was born and educated in Salford, read English at Cambridge and trained at the Donmar Warehouse, where she returned as Artistic Director in 2012. Between 2007 and 2011 she was Artistic Director of the Bush Theatre, which was recognised as Theatre of the Year in 2011.

Her other work as a Director includes productions at the Young Vic, the Royal Court, Sheffield Theatres (where she was Associate Director), the Royal Shakespeare Company, the Chicago Shakespeare Theatre, the National Theatre and in the West End.

Productions as Artistic Director of the Donmar include: *The Recruiting Officer*, *The Physicists*, *Berenice*, *The Weir*, *The Machine* (also New York and Manchester International Festival), *Coriolanus*, *Privacy* and *City of Angels*. Under her artistic direction, the Donmar has transferred two shows to New York and one into the West End from its Covent Garden home in six months.

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### **Stewart Purvis**

Stewart Purvis joined Channel 4 as a Non-Executive Director in September 2013. His initial appointment runs until August 2016.

He joined the BBC as a News Trainee in 1969, then moved to ITN in 1972 where he became Editor of *Channel 4 News*, Editor-in-Chief of ITN and then Chief Executive. After retiring from ITN in 2003 he became a Visiting Professor of Broadcast Media at Oxford University and from 2007 to 2010 he was Ofcom's Partner for Content and Standards. He has advised the House of Lords Select Committee on Communications on the governance of the BBC and was the independent chair of a multi-party negotiation to progress digital radio in the UK.

He is Professor of Television Journalism at City University London and the co-author of *When Reporters Cross the Line*.

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## Executive Members

### **David Abraham**

David Abraham became Channel 4's sixth Chief Executive in 2010. His focus has been on innovation, independence, creative renewal and preparing Channel 4 for the growth of connected television. Since the launch of the data strategy, more than 10 million viewers have registered and, in partnership with UKTV and BT Sport, Channel 4 Sales House has sustained revenues above £1 billion since 2011.

David joined Channel 4 from UKTV where he was Chief Executive. Prior to this, he led The Learning Channel US following a period as General Manager of Discovery Networks UK. David gave the MacTaggart lecture in 2014 on the importance of PSB to British Creativity.

During the early part of his career David was a Co-Founder of advertising agency St Luke's. He has been a Board Member of Creative Skillset since 2009.

### **Jay Hunt**

Jay Hunt became Chief Creative Officer of Channel 4 in January 2011 from her position as Controller BBC One. Jay's commissions during this time include critically acclaimed shows such as *Sherlock*, *Luther* and *Mrs Brown's Boys*.

She spent 15 years in BBC News working on *Breakfast*, *Newsnight* and *Panorama* before becoming Editor of the *Six O'Clock News*. In 2005 Jay became Controller of BBC Daytime, commissioning shows across BBC One and BBC Two that included returning hits such as *Great British Menu*, *Heir Hunters* and *Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is*.

As Director of Programmes at Channel 5 in 2008, she commissioned a number of successful features shows including *Cowboy Builders* and *Extreme Fishing*.

Under her leadership, Channel 4 was named MGEITF Channel of the Year and won more awards than at any time in the channel's history. Her winning commissions include *Gogglebox*, *Educating Yorkshire*, *The Island*, *The Undateables* and *Utopia*.

### **Jonathan Allan**

Jonathan Allan was appointed as Director of Sales on 13 September 2011. He graduated from Newcastle University in Economics and immediately joined a full service agency, Cravens Advertising, in the city. He joined the TV department at the major London media agency OMD UK in 1995 and was appointed to the Board as TV Director in January 2000. He then moved into planning for a number of years and was appointed Deputy Managing Director in February 2005. In January 2007 he became Managing Director.

Jonathan Allan is also on the Board of Thinkbox, the television marketing body.

### **Dan Brooke**

Dan Brooke is Chief Marketing and Communications Officer, having rejoined Channel 4 in November 2010. He was appointed to the Board on 1 February 2012.

Dan left independent production company Rare Day, where he was Managing Director. Prior to this, he was Managing Director of Discovery Networks UK, leading it through a period of change and innovation with the launch of seven new channels, including its first Freeview channel and its first entertainment channel, as well as mobile and on demand services.

Dan worked at Channel 4 from 1998 to 2005, joining as the Head of Marketing and Development for FilmFour, rising to be Managing Director of Digital Channels. He was responsible for the development and award-winning launches of Channel 4's portfolio of digital channels and in 2001 was elected Young Marketer of the Year by the Marketing Society for his role in the birth of E4.

Dan is also a Trustee of Britdoc, the Camden Arts Centre, Headlong Theatre and the Mass Extinction Monitoring Observatory.

### **Paula Carter**

Paula Carter joined Channel 4 as the first Viewers' Editor, before becoming Board Secretary in 2011 and Director of Planning in 2013. Her background includes experience in advertising, marketing, public and commercial broadcasting and digital media. She worked for the BBC for ten years before joining ITV to create a new digital channel jointly owned by Granada and Boots. Prior to joining Channel 4 in 2007, she ran her own communications consultancy where her clients included Ofcom, the BBC Governors, HMRC, the Royal Opera House, the Joint Scrutiny Committee for the 2003 Communications Bill and the Cabinet Office.

Paula is a magistrate on the Central Kent Bench and Chairman of Governors at St. Michael's Prep School in Otford, Kent.