

## New appointments to the FSA Board

Clare Evans, Dr Susan Paterson, and Steve Ruddy will serve four-year terms, and Professor Sir Frank Atherton, Alison Austin and Louise Hoste will serve three-year terms.

Professor [Sir Frank Atherton](#) has held senior public health leadership roles across England, Canada, and Wales over two decades, culminating in his service as Chief Medical Officer for Wales during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Alison Austin OBE combines public sector non-executive experience with independent sustainability consultancy, building on 25 years at Sainsbury's in consumer needs and sustainability.

[Clare Evans](#) has extensive experience within the food manufacturing sector, including over 26 years in Executive roles at Greencore Foods.

[Louise Hoste](#) is an experienced retail leader and non-executive director with over 35 years of experience across food, convenience, and general merchandise sectors.

[Dr Sue Paterson](#) is a distinguished RCVS and European Board-Certified Veterinary Dermatologist and the current President of the World Association for Veterinary Dermatology.

[Steve Ruddy](#) is a highly experienced local government leader who currently chairs the Chartered Trading Standards Institute.

"I'm pleased to welcome these six exceptional individuals to the FSA Board. Their diverse expertise across the food system, in public health, retail and regulatory services will strengthen our ability to protect consumers and uphold food safety standards."

Susan Jebb, Chair of the Food Standards Agency

All appointees commenced their positions on 1 August 2025, with the exception of Alison Austin, who will take up her role on 18 November 2025.

Board Members are paid an annual remuneration of £8,000 for 20 days a year. All appointments are made on merit, and these appointments have been made in accordance with the guidance issued by the Office for the Commissioner for Public Appointments.