

Southern Water Board Changes

“Southern Water is pleased to announce that Malcom Cooper is joining the Board of Southern Water as an independent non-executive director and Chair of the Audit Committee with effect from today. He supplements the Board’s skills and capabilities with his extensive listed PLC treasury and finance experience and he is also a non-executive director and Audit Chair of a FTSE250-listed company.

We thank Rosemary Boot, who has been interim Chair of the Audit Committee since February 2019 and who will continue to be a member of the committee, for stepping into the role and for bringing rigour and experience during her time as interim Audit Committee Chair.

Southern Water also announces that Wendy Barnes has decided to step down from the Board with effect from 27 March 2020. Wendy’s contribution to the Board has been significant and she leaves with our thanks and best wishes.”

Notes:

Malcolm Cooper biography: Malcolm is an experienced non-executive director with a diverse background in regulated infrastructure, property, construction and housebuilding. His most recent executive role was successfully extracting a £14bn business from the UK activities of National Grid and selling a 61% interest in the resultant business.

Malcolm is a non-executive director of CLS Holdings plc, a FTSE250-listed commercial property company, where he is the senior independent director, chair of the audit committee and member of the remuneration committee. Malcolm is also a non-executive director of Morgan Sindall plc where he chairs the audit and health, safety & environment committees.

In addition, Malcolm is a member of the audit committee of the Local Pensions Partnership and is a non-executive director of MORhomes plc.

For 15 years, Malcolm ran one of the largest and most successful corporate treasury teams at National Grid plc, having previously worked in a number of finance and treasury roles at companies including British Gas plc.

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