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Fraud Advisory Panel appoints David Clarke as new chair

The independent fraud watchdog Fraud Advisory Panel has appointed David Clarke as its new Chair. He takes over from David Kirk who steps down after four-and-a-half years.

Mr Clarke is a former senior police officer who has served in the UK and overseas. He is now a specialist in counter-fraud measures at Today Advisory Services and has been a trustee director of the Fraud Advisory Panel for the last nine-and-a-half years. During his law enforcement career David was responsible for designing and implementing the National Fraud Intelligence Bureau and Lead Force for Fraud based within the City of London Police.

Commenting on his appointment **David Clarke said:**

'I am incredibly honoured to become chairman of the Fraud Advisory Panel which has played an important role in shaping our collective response to fraud. As the corporate memory of the counter fraud community, I look forward to working with my esteemed colleagues, on the board and within the membership, to highlight, address, challenge and anticipate the fraud issues of our times.'

David Kirk said:

'It has been an enormous privilege, and a great pleasure, to lead the vital work of the Panel over the past four-and-a-half years. I know that the influence and the reputation of the Panel will continue to flourish under David Clarke's excellent leadership. His senior experience in the criminal justice system, and his determination to make a positive difference in tackling fraud and financial crime wherever it is found, will build upon the Panel's already considerable achievements.'

Mr Kirk will continue to be involved in the Fraud Advisory Panel as an active member and special adviser.

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Notes for editors:

1. The **Fraud Advisory Panel** is the UK's leading counter-fraud charity. We bring together fraud professionals from all sectors and disciplines to improve fraud resilience across the UK and around the world. www.fraudadvisorypanel.org
2. The Panel was founded in 1998 by ICAEW which continues to provide valuable support. Twenty years ago the idea of bringing together diverse voices – from the professions, finance, commerce, charities, the police, regulators, government and the public sector – to create a strongly multi-disciplinary approach to tackling fraud was novel. The practical effectiveness of this pioneering model has set an important and now widely copied example.