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ETB AGM RATIFIES FIVE NEW BOARD MEMBERS FROM ENGINEERING AND ACADEMIA

The Engineering and Technology Board (ETB) has today ratified a number of high profile Trustee appointments from across the engineering institutions and academia , including Nigel Fine, Chief Executive of the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET), Stephen Tetlow, Chief Executive of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE), David Brown, Chief Executive of the Institution of Chemical Engineers (IChemE), Louise Kingham, Chief Executive of the Energy Institute and Christine Braddock, Principal and Chief Executive of Sutton Coldfield and Matthew Boulton Colleges.

Today's ETB Board Meeting and AGM saw five members of the ETB Board come to the end of their term (Chris Snowden, Keith Read, Stephen Matthews, Robin McGill and Bill Banks) and five equally outstanding figures take up Board positions.

The appointments draw on a wide range of engineering and education experience. Nigel Fine and Stephen Tetlow have taken over as the IET and IMechE representatives on the ETB Board, whilst David Brown and Louise Kingham now stand on behalf of the ETB's Professional Panel as Chair and Vice-Chair, whilst Christine Braddock stands on behalf of the ETB's Education and Skills Panel as Chair, the first Further Education Principal to lead one of the ETB's expert panels.

Sir Anthony Cleaver, Chairman of the ETB said: "We are proud to have confirmed that Nigel Fine, Stephen Tetlow, David Brown, Louise Kingham and Christine Braddock have now joined our Board. They bring with them a wealth of experience and a broad range of insights into our operating environment. This is an exciting time for the ETB and we are sure that we will benefit hugely from the guidance and direction of our new Board members."

Nigel Fine said: "This is a vitally important time for engineering and for engineers. I am delighted to have this opportunity to work closely with the ETB and other partners to coordinate our efforts and to achieve the best outcomes for the community and for the UK as a whole."

Stephen Tetlow said: "The IMechE and the ETB have a history of working together successfully and have achieved a lot in recent months. As part of the Board I look forward to increased opportunities to contribute to and support the efforts that the community are making to promote the vital role of engineers in our society."

David Brown said: “The ETB’s Professional Panel is already making excellent progress towards cross-community partnership and cooperation. It is an honour to have the opportunity to represent their views on the ETB Board and to work alongside the excellent new and existing members.”

Louise Kingham said: “I am very much looking forward to working with the rest of the ETB Board to further our joint aims. Now more than ever it is vital that we work in partnership to promote the contribution that engineers can make and are making in our society. I am confident that we will have a great deal of success going forward with this agenda.”

Christine Braddock said: “Engineering and technology skills are vital to our economy and to society at large. I am delighted to have the opportunity to work with the ETB and the rest of the community to ensure that the importance of engineering and technology skills is recognised and acted upon.”

Notes to Editors

The Engineering and Technology Board (ETB) is an independent organisation that promotes the vital role of engineers, engineering and technology in our society. The ETB partners business and industry, government and the wider science and engineering community: producing evidence on the state of engineering, sharing knowledge within engineering and inspiring young people to choose a career in engineering, matching employers’ demand for skills. For more information about the ETB please visit www.etechnology.co.uk.

Nigel Fine

Nigel is Chief Executive of the IET and was previously with Experian where he was Managing Director for EMEA and Asia Pacific. He joined Experian in 1999 as Director and Chief Operating Officer EMEA and Latin America and was appointed Global Operating Board Director in 2003. Nigel spent his early career with John Laing and International Paint latterly as the European Strategy and Business Development Director. He joined Andersen Consulting (Accenture) in 1994 where he was Associate Partner and Managing Director for an Andersen Consulting and Thames Water partnership.

Nigel graduated from UMIST in 1978 with a BSc (Hons) in Civil Engineering. He is a Chartered Engineer and also holds an MBA from the London Business School. Nigel has a wealth of commercial board level experience and a track record of success delivering significant change in competitive global markets.

Stephen Tetlow

Stephen Tetlow joined the Institution in February 2009 and is a Chartered Engineer and Fellow of the IMechE.

He began his career in 1972 as an engineering apprentice with Smiths Industries Ltd, working as a design engineer in the motor and aerospace divisions. Moving on to spend 25 years in the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (REME) he pursued a career involving a variety of operational engineering and logistic appointments around the world working on vehicle fleet engineering and maintenance support operations. He also ran an international Defence team of engineers and scientists to inform NATO’s agenda for scientific research. After a spell as Director of Operations at the Defence Logistic Organisation, he rose to become the head of REME and Director of Electrical and

Mechanical Engineering of the Army, running one of the major engineering organizations and professional engineering training schemes in Britain, delivering and contracting global engineering support for military vehicles and weapon systems.

In 2004 he took a new appointment in the Transport Industry to become Chief Executive of the Vehicle Operator Services Agency (VOSA), responsible for the licensing and testing of commercial passenger and haulage vehicles in Great Britain, as well as running the national MoT Scheme. At VOSA, he campaigned to transform its customer services, winning national awards for innovative Business-to-Business web-based services and the 2008 National Government Award for Operational Delivery. Stephen holds an MSc and an MBA. He was educated at Carlton-le-Willows Grammar School in Nottingham, The City University London and The Royal Military College of Science. He lives in Devon on a County Wildlife Site and recently led an expedition to South Georgia across the Southern Ocean to retrace Shackleton's famous Antarctic rescue.

David Brown

Dr David Brown is Chief Executive of the Institution of Chemical Engineers (IChemE). Brown joined IChemE in October 2006 and was formerly Head of the UK Technology and Innovation Management practice at Arthur D Little Ltd.

After achieving a double first in Natural Sciences and a PhD in Materials Science at the University of Cambridge, Brown spent ten years at ICI plc where he held a series of positions in chemicals, materials and biotechnology businesses.

He subsequently joined the University of Warwick in 1992 to run a business unit. During this time, he collaborated closely with commerce and Government on innovation, environment and international economic development, before moving to Arthur D. Little in 1997.

He has been instrumental in the design, creation, business planning and appraisal of a variety of R&D and knowledge transfer organisations, and devised the concept of regional Science and Technology Councils, now rolled out across the UK at the instigation of the Minister for Science and Innovation.

David is recognized for his expertise on innovation alliances and partnerships between public and private sectors. He has over 20 years experience of linking research with commerce. Brown is a Chartered Physicist and a Fellow of the UK Institute of Physics.

Louise Kingham

Louise Kingham is Chief Executive of the Energy Institute (EI). Incorporated by Royal Charter in July 2003, the EI is the leading professional body for the energy industries supporting over 14,000 professionals and 300 organisations internationally. Louise led the merger of the founding Institutes to create the EI in 2003.

Prior to this, in 2002, Louise was Director General of the Institute of Petroleum. Louise joined the IP having spent ten years at the Institute of Energy, where she held a number of management positions including CEO from 1999-2002.

Louise is a professional member of the EI, a full member of the Association of Chief Executives of Voluntary Organisations, Vice President of the Energy Industries Club and Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts. In addition, Louise holds a number of advisory and committee posts within external energy organisations, including the University of Birmingham's Advisory Board for the Institute of Energy Research and Policy. In 2006 Louise won a Global Women in Energy Award in recognition of her achievements in leadership.

Christine Braddock

Lancaster-born Christine Braddock is one of the country's leading college principals and earlier this year was made a CBE for services to further education.

She is credited with saving Matthew Boulton College from closure and overseeing its transfer to a national flagship state-of-the-art new building in Birmingham city centre. The college is soon to merge with Sutton Coldfield College, creating one of the biggest further education institutions in the country with 33,000 students.

Ms Braddock started her career at Lancaster Education Authority during the 70s, where she was responsible for co-ordinating the educational rehabilitation of prisoners.

Her first job in a college was as a senior lecturer at Blackpool and the Fylde College where she became a departmental manager.

Ms Braddock's shift to the Midlands came following a Home Office appointment to the Midland regional prison service after which she moved to Dudley College.

In 1998, she was appointed to head Matthew Boulton College which, at the time, was struggling with debts of nearly £4 million and subsequently to Sutton Coldfield College. Its fortunes have since turned round and one of Ms Braddock's biggest achievement was to secure funding for Matthew Boulton College to move from its former dilapidated premises to a new £40million building in Eastside.

It is now viewed as a benchmark for new colleges. It won the RIBA and LSC Further Education Design Award for 2008 and has been visited by 275 of the country's 440 further education leaders.

Ms Braddock is Vice-President of the Birmingham and Solihull Chamber of Commerce, the regional CBI Council, deputy chair of Midlands Heart, sits on the Sutton Learning and Skills Improvement board (LSIS) and leads the Prospectus Steering Group of the Connected City in Birmingham.

She juggles a demanding professional life with raising three children, including one who is disabled, and lives in Rock, Worcestershire.

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