<u>Dean Beale appointed Chief Executive</u> <u>of the Insolvency Service</u>

Following an open competition, Dean Beale has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer of the Insolvency Service. He took up post on 2 December 2019.

Dean has been acting as interim chief executive since September. Prior to this, he was Director of Strategy and Change, overseeing policy development, regulation of the insolvency sector and leading the department's transformation programme.

Dean has worked in the insolvency field for over 20 years in a variety of roles. He has been an official receiver, acting as a trustee in bankruptcy and liquidation cases, and has undertaken many insolvency-related investigations.

In addition to his public sector experience, Dean has also spent time in the private sector as a forensic accountant investigating fraud and managing commercial disputes.