

# HM The Queen has appointed Nick Hurd, Jacquie Nnochiri and Deborah Tavana as Board Members of the National Citizen Service Trust

## **Nick Hurd**

Nick served as a Member of Parliament for fourteen years before standing down in December 2019. During that time he served three different Prime Ministers as a Government Minister over more than 8 years. Ministerial roles included Minister for Civil Society; Minister for International Development; Minister of State for Climate Change and Industry; Minister of State for Police and Fire Service; Minister of State for Northern Ireland and Minister for London and Grenfell Victims. He is a lifelong Member of the Privy Council and continues, on a voluntary basis, as the UK Prime Minister's Independent Adviser on Grenfell.

Before politics, Nick spent 18 years in the private sector, divided between investment banking and the development of young growth businesses. This included the experience of setting up a business in Brazil for a British investment bank.

He serves as Chairman of Access – The Foundation for Social Investment and is a Senior Adviser to a number of companies and campaigns that are looking to make a positive social or environmental impact. He is a Global Ambassador for the Global Steering Group for Impact Investment (GSG) and serves on the Advisory Council of the UK Institute for Impact Investment.

## **Jacquie Nnochiri**

Jacquie is an educational leader having worked in education for over 20 years. She is currently Head of Department and Head of Year 11 at a West London Pupil Referral Unit (PRU) where she is responsible for pastoral and career needs of students in their final year of statutory education. Jacquie monitors each students' academic achievements, wellbeing, and safeguarding needs.

Jacquie is passionate about ensuring young people (especially vulnerable students) have access to educational tools to improve and enhance their further educational and future work opportunities and emphasising the need to develop the necessary skills students will need to help widen their networks.

Jacquie has strong links with her local community and serves as a Referral Order Panel Member with the Harrow Youth Offending Team. Jacquie also serves on her local Safer Neighbourhood Panel. As a keen advocate of mentoring young people to enable students to develop their employability skills and gain confidence for future job roles, Jacquie is currently mentoring student(s) at

the School of Business Management, Queen Mary University College London. Jacquie serves as a NASUWT (The Teachers' Union) representative at her place of work.

## **Deborah Tavana**

Deborah started her career with Legal & General and has held executive roles in Williams & Glyn Bank, Resolution, Swiss Re and General Electric. She has experience in a range of leadership roles covering Human Resources, Communications, Governance, Legal and Operations and has also undertaken consulting and advisory work on both a regional and global basis. In addition, Deborah served for 13 years as a member of the Employment Tribunals.

Her career has always been guided by a belief in the importance of creating organisation cultures that value the whole person, whether colleague, customer or client. Deborah now works independently as an executive coach and management consultant. She also serves in a Non-Executive capacity as a trustee on the board of United Response.

Deborah is a graduate of the University of Bristol, holds an MSc from the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology and is a Chartered Fellow of the CIPD.

These roles are not remunerated. The appointments have been made in accordance with the Cabinet Office's [Governance Code on Public Appointments](#). The appointments process is regulated by the Commissioner for Public Appointments. Under the Code, any significant political activity undertaken by an appointee in the last five years must be declared. This is defined as including holding office, public speaking, making a recordable donation, or candidature for election. Nick declared he was elected as a Conservative Member of Parliament. Jacquie declared she canvassed on behalf of the Labour Party in 2016. Deborah has not declared any activity.