CCAB Press Release

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Accountants Building Growth: Anthony Harbinson FCCA appointed new chairman of CCAB

Anthony Harbinson FCCA has been appointed as CCAB’s new chairman for 2013/14, following the one year tenure of Sir Tony Redmond, the President of CIPFA.

Anthony is the Director of Safer Communities for the Department of Justice, Northern Ireland and is currently the Vice President of ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants).

Commenting on his chairmanship, Mr Harbinson said: “CCAB thanks Sir Tony Redmond for chairing CCAB over the last year. I am delighted to be following in Sir Tony’s footsteps by taking this office, chairing an organisation of professional bodies who work together to communicate the value of the accountancy profession in the UK and globally.”

Anthony Harbinson added: “CCAB’s strategy for 2013/14 is to support growth, ensure financial stability, transparency and fiscal honesty as well as promoting trust and value in the accountancy profession. We are focussing on this growth agenda under the banner of Accountants Building Growth.”

Mr Harbinson concluded: “We will continue to work together to show how the accountancy profession can support and sustain the development and performance of UK and Ireland’s economies. CCAB members have a shared vision which is founded on CCAB’s core purpose - to promote sustainable growth in the UK economy supported by the UK accountancy profession, based on the guiding principles of transparency and accountability.”

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Notes for editors

1. The combined membership of the five CCAB bodies - ICAEW, ACCA, ICAS, CIPFA and Chartered Accountants Ireland - amounts to 245,935 professional accountants in the UK and the Republic of Ireland (354,271 worldwide), according to recent statistics from the FRC. These significant numbers enable CCAB to speak with authority for the UK accountancy profession.

2. A full biography of Anthony Harbinson can be requested from ACCA’s press office.

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