

**Capital Cranfield Trustees further strengthens its team by appointing Robert Matthews and Edward Dowler**

To help meet the continued demand for experienced, professional, independent trustees, Capital Cranfield has appointed Robert Matthews and Edward Dowler, both existing trustees with chairmanship skills.

Robert Matthews offers additional investment management expertise, having held Director level positions within Royal and Sun Alliance Investments, ISIS Asset Management plc and F&C Asset Management plc. As well as being an investment professional knowledgeable on many aspects of the investment function including equity and bond analysis, pension fund management and institutional fund management, Robert is also a trustee of the pension scheme of The Royal Star and Garter and a number of charities.



Robert gained a B.Sc (Econ) from Cardiff University, has completed the Investment Management Programme at the London Business School and is a Fellow of the CFA Society of the UK. He was, for many years, a member of the Board of the CFA Society and as Chairman of the CFA Society's Examination and Education Committee with responsibility for introducing and developing the Investment Management Certificate (IMC), the UK's benchmark qualification in fund management.

Robert said, "I am both pleased and privileged to be joining Capital Cranfield given its unrivalled reputation in the arena of independent trustee services. I look forward to making a positive and constructive contribution to the team and, I hope, to pension fund trustee boards."

Edward Dowler brings extensive corporate experience to Capital Cranfield, having held senior positions at a number of companies including Courtaulds, Thomas Bell International and most recently as Group General Manager at Electrocomponents. Under Edward's chairmanship of its Investment and Risk Sub Committee, the Electrocomponents Scheme has significantly hedged its liabilities against interest and inflation risk and reduced its equity bias in favour of a more diversified portfolio.



Edward gained an MA in Natural Sciences from Queens' College Cambridge and is a graduate of the Program for Management Development at Harvard Business School. He is also a member of the Institute of Logistics.

Edward said, "I am delighted to be joining Capital Cranfield. The firm has a very strong team and a deservedly high reputation for professionalism and expertise. I will greatly value the support it can provide in the increasingly challenging world of trusteeship."

Mike Anthony, Capital Cranfield's Chairman, said "Appointing Robert and Edward to our active schemes team will provide Capital Cranfield with the extra capacity needed to accept further, high profile appointments. Rightly, trustee boards expect to be able to see tangible added value when they appoint an independent trustee. Robert and Edward not only bring particular expertise to the trustee role but will further strengthen our team's breadth of experience overall."

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