Biography

Lord Evans of Weardale

Independent non-executive Director, Chairman of the Financial System Vulnerabilities Committee, member of the Conduct & Values Committee and Philanthropic & Community Investment Oversight Committee

Lord Evans of Weardale was appointed to the Board on 6 August 2013. He spent 33 years in the UK Security Service, six as Director General. Lord Evans’ experience includes counter-espionage, protection of classified information and the security of critical national infrastructure.

His main focus was counter-terrorism, both international and domestic, including initiatives against cyber threats. As Director General he was a senior adviser to the UK government on national security policy and attended the National Security Council.

In 2014 he became a peer, Lord Evans. He was appointed Knight Commander of the Order of the Bath in the 2013 New Year Honours List. He retired from the Security Service in April 2013.

Lord Evans graduated from Bristol University, where he gained a degree in Classical Studies.

He is a member of the advisory board of Darktrace Limited, Facewatch Limited and Fluid IT Limited; and a non-executive director of Ark Data Centres Limited.