

DR MIKE WEIGHTMAN

Mike was formally appointed as HM Chief Inspector of Nuclear Installations and Director of HSE's Nuclear Safety Directorate in April 2005. He sits on the HSE Board and plays a full part in setting the strategic direction of HSE. Formally, he was a Deputy Chief Inspector of Nuclear Installations and headed the Division of HSE's Nuclear Safety Directorate (NSD) that regulates the UK's nuclear power station sites, both operating and decommissioning. Prior to that, he led the NSD Division that regulates BNFL and Urenco nuclear fuel cycle sites including Sellafield, and held a number of previous posts in HSE, including heading up a policy unit. He has kept up his interest and knowledge in the organisational, managerial and people issues associated with the safe operation of nuclear facilities. Mike joined HSE's Nuclear Installations Inspectorate (NII) in 1988 from a senior manager post in the nuclear industry. Before 1988 he had worked in the nuclear industry for 13 years fulfilling a number of management roles in research, operations and engineering projects.



Mike sits as the UK representative on various OECD Nuclear Energy Agency committees. He has led the UK's mission to the review meetings of the Joint Convention (on the safety of spent fuel management and radioactive waste management) and the Convention on Nuclear Safety. He is a Chartered Engineer and Chartered Physicist, and has degrees at BSc, MSc and DPhil levels.

He is married with two sons and lives in a small village in south Cheshire where he takes an active role in the local community.