

2022/23 Exceptions at and above Payband 2

Exceptions at and above the Payband 2 level require the prior approval of the Commission. This page provides details of Exceptions approved by the Commission at or above the Payband 2 threshold (or equivalent).

Department	Payband	Job Title	Exception Used	Appointment Length	Name
Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs	PB2	Climate Change Adaptation Expert Advisor	3	12 months	Rajat Gupta
Welsh Government	PB2	Clinical Lead - Duty of Candour Implementation	3	12 months	Mark Madams
Home Office	PB2	Senior User and Business Change Lead (Fire) for National Fire Chiefs	3	24 months	Ian Taylor
Scottish Government	PB2	Chief Scientist Health	3	36 months	Anna Dominiczak
Cabinet Office	PB2	Chief Data Officer, CDIO	1	7 months	Ismael Saumtally
UK Health Security Agency	PB2	Chief Information Officer	1	3 months	Adam Weelwright
Department for International Trade	PB2	Director, Office for Investment	1	12 months	Neil Cosgrove
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB2	Vaccines Taskforce Adviser	3	12 months	Andrew Stevenson
Ministry of Defence	PB3	Chief Scientific Advisor (Nuclear)	1	31 months	William Lee
HM Treasury	PB2	Senior Policy Lead	3	3 months	Stephen Robinson
Cabinet Office	PB2	Director, Government Consulting Hub	1	5 months	Janet Baker
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB2	Great British Nuclear Seconded - Head of Workstream	3	3 months	Peter Welch

Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB2	Great British Nuclear Seconded	3	6 months	Mina Golshan
UK Health Security Agency	PB2	Subject Matter Expert Genomics	3	11 months	Alistair Darby
Department of Health & Social Care	PB2	Deputy Director of Operations - London	3	6 months	Julie Billett
Department of Health & Social Care	PB2	Interim Design and Sustainability Deputy Director	1	12 months	Michael Severn
National Crime Agency	PB2	Senior Manager - Operations	3	24 months	Steve Collins
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB2	Scientific Advisor, Vaccine Taskforce Steering Group	3	20 months	Paul Kellam
UK Health Security Agency	PB3	Chief Medical Officer	3	60 months	Susan Hopkins
OFGEM	PB2	Deputy Director, Strategy	1	24 months	Marzia Zafar
Food Standards Agency	PB2	Chief Scientific Advisor	3	36 months	Robin May
Welsh Government	PB2	Planning Programme Director	3	6 months	Samia Saeed-Edmonds
UK Health Security Agency	PB3	DG Health Protection Operations	3	2 months	Paul Cain
UK Health Security Agency	PB2	Consultant Medical Virologist	5	N/A	Kevin Brown
Department for Education	PB2	Senior Policy Advisor to the Secretary of State	1	2 months	David Thomas
Department for Transport	PB2	Head of Department for Transport Acceleration Unit	1	3 months	Darren Shirley
Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities	PB2	Chief Scientific Adviser	3	4 months	Alan Penn

Department of Health & Social Care	PB2	Senior Responsible Officer	3	5 months	Natalie Forrest
Welsh Government	PB2	National Clinical Lead for Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Conditions	3	12 months	Rob Letchford
Welsh Government	PB2	National Clinical Lead for Persistent Pain	3	12 months	Sue Jeffs
Welsh Government	PB2	National Clinical Lead for Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Conditions	3	12 months	Meinir Jones
Welsh Government	PB2	National Clinical Lead for Persistent Pain	3	12 months	Owen Hughes
Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities	PB2	Chief Scientific Adviser	3	4 months	Alan Penn
Government Digital Service	PB2	Director of Digital Platforms and Services	3	24 months	Natalie Taylor
Home Office	PERM SEC	Second Permanent Secretary to the Refugee Taskforce		6 months	Simon Ridley
Cabinet Office	PERM SEC	Chief Operating Officer in No 10	1	3 months	Samantha Jones
Welsh Government	PB2	National Clinical Lead for Value-Based and Prudent Healthcare	3	24 months	Sally Lewis
UK Health Security Agency	PB2	Head of One Health Technical Lead	1	3 months	Dylis Morgan
Competition & Markets Authority	PB2	Economics Adviser	3	3 months	Alexander Lynchehaun
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB2	Downstream Oil Technical Advisor	3	1 months	Michael Mackay
Welsh Government	PB2	Director, Operations - NHS Wales	3	9 months	Jeremy Griffiths

Competition & Markets Authority	PB2	Legal Secondee	3	6 months	James Hunter
Competition & Markets Authority	PB2	Legal Secondee	3	6 months	Laila Wood
Competition & Markets Authority	PB2	Legal Secondee	3	6 months	Sophie Halls
Competition & Markets Authority	PB2	Legal Secondee	3	6 months	Georgia Rachianioti
National Crime Agency	PB2	Deputy Director Intelligence	3	12 months	Rick Jones
Competition & Markets Authority	PB2	Assistant Director, Economics	3	1 month	Adrian Basso
Cabinet Office	PB3	Director General for Communications	1	18 months	Simon McGee
Department of Health & Social Care	PB2	Senior Responsible Officer for Hospital Discharge into Social Care	3	12 months	James Bullion
UK Health Security Agency	PB2	Public Health Consultant	1	6 months	Andrew Howe
HM Revenue & Customs	PB2	HR Director Customer Compliance Group	1	24 months	Ali Layne-Smith
Ministry of Defence	PB2	Chief Data Information Architecture, Defence Digital	4	24 months	Tim Robinson
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB3	Interim Chief Executive Officer, Great British Nuclear	3	12 months	Gwen Parry-Jones
HM Treasury	PB2	Head of Macro-coordination and Strategy team	3	24 months	Jack McKeown
Welsh Government	PB2	Senior Medical Officer	3	48 months	Anna Kuczynska
Ministry of Defence	PB2	Royal Navy Capability Sponsor	3	5 months	Andy Mitchell
Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency	PB2	Senior Clinical Advisor (Software)	3	12 months	Paul Campbell

Cabinet Office	PB3	Interim Government Chief Digital Officer, Cabinet Office	4	13 months	Megan Lee
HM Treasury	PB2	Senior Policy Adviser	3	2 months	Samet Gogus
Scottish Government	PB2	Deputy Chief Social Work Adviser	3	4 months	Joanna MacDonald
Cabinet Office	PB2	Health Delivery Expert	3	6 months	Jemma Edge
Office for National Statistics	PB2	COVID-19 Infection Effect on Employment	3	6 months	Donald Houston
Cabinet Office	PB2	Health and Social Care Mission Lead	3	5 months	Matthew Tagney
Welsh Government	PB2	NHS Wales Deputy Chief Executive	3	6 months	Nick Wood
Department of Health & Social Care	PB2	Deputy Regional Director	5	N/A	Mike Hill
Department of Health & Social Care	PB2	Operational Adviser - Elective Care	3	6 months	Louise Tuckett
Welsh Government	PB2	Chief Environmental Public Health Officer	3	24 months	Huw Brunt
HM Treasury	PB2	Director of Economics	3	2 months	James Benford
Government Digital Service	PB2	Chief Transformation Officer	1	9 months	Bonnie Wang
OFGEM	PB2	Director of Financial Resilience and Controls	3	6 months	Rohan Churm
UK Health Security Agency	PB2	Consultant-Infectious Diseases	4	6 months	Tumenah Corrah
Scottish Government	PB2	Strategic Director	3	5 months	Craig Clement
Scottish Government	PB2	Deputy Chief Social Work Adviser	3	24 months	Joanna MacDonald
UK Health Security Agency	PB2	Consultant Microbiologist	1	9 months	Smiriti Pathak

Home Office	PB2	Chief of Staff and Deputy Portfolio Director	3	6 months	John Lyons
UK Health Security Agency	PB2	Consultant in Public Health Infection	1	3 months	Susannah Jerwood
HM Treasury	PB2	Director - Business and International Tax	5	N/A	Mike Williams
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB2	Strategic Director	3	12 months	Angus McIntosh
OFGEM	PB2	Chief of Staff and Head of Strategy-Office of the Chief Data Officer	1	3 months	Andrew Gray
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB2	ONR Seconded (TSP)	3	10 months	Matthew Bamber
Cabinet Office	PB2	Programme Manager for Workplace Services Transformation Programme	1	24 months	Mike Baker
Competition & Markets Authority	PB2	Economics Adviser	3	6 months	Eleni Nota
Competition & Markets Authority	PB2	Economics Adviser	3	2 months	Alexander Lynchehaun
Department of Health & Social Care	PB2	Senior Responsible Owner (SRO) - New Hospital Programme (NHP)	3	6 months	Natalie Forrest
Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs	PB2	Climate Change Adaptation Expert Advisor	3	24 months	Dejan Mumovic
UK Health Security Agency	PB2	Director Evaluation and Translation	3	6 months	Gwenda Hughes
Government Legal Department	PB2	Lawyer	3	4 months	Alasdair Poore
UK Health Security Agency	PB3	Director General, Health Protection Operations	1	12 months	Oliver Munn

UK Health Security Agency	PB2	Deputy Director, Rosalind Franklin Laboratory Enablers and Projects	1	6 months	Angela Crockett
Department for Education	PB2	Children's Social Care Expert	3	12 months	Laura Eden
Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office	PB2	Policy Adviser to the Minister for Development and Africa	1	24 months	Marcus Manuel
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB2	Reserve Astronaut / Exploration Commercialisation Lead	4	24 months	Meganne Christian
Scottish Government	PB2	Communities Strategic Lead – Finance and Governance	3	6 months	Sarah O'Donnell
Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs	PB2	Climate Change Adaptation Expert Advisor	3	24 months	Katharine Geogina Lonsdale
Competition & Markets Authority	PB2	Economics Advisor	3	6 months	Kazi Abul Fazal
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB2	Specialist Forensic Accountant	3	12 months	Chris Blakemore
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy	PB2	Specialist Forensic Accountant	3	12 months	Pamela Mann