

Professor Susan Jebb to leave the FSA at the end of June

Professor Jebb, who alongside her FSA role is also Professor of Diet and Population Health at the Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences at the University of Oxford, said:

'It has been a huge privilege to be the Chair of a fantastic organisation, doing such important work to uphold public health. I am proud of the work the Board has done to enable the FSA to move beyond the immediate consequences of EU Exit and settle into an organisation focused on the most pressing challenges the UK food system faces today, including initiating a series of important reforms.

'There is still much I want to achieve over the next four months. Our reform programme is urgently needed to enable the FSA to support businesses to do the right thing, deliver efficiencies for the taxpayer and, crucially, to uphold the high food standards we all value.

'Alongside my role as FSA Chair, I have continued to lead a large research team at the University of Oxford, working to develop the evidence base for interventions to prevent and treat obesity and, looking ahead, I am keen to be able to give that my full attention.'

The selection process for the next FSA Chair is led by Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and it will be launching a recruitment process shortly. The appointment is made by the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care and counterparts in Wales and Northern Ireland.