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Sir Howard Newby, KB, CBE, BA, PhD, AcSS, is Vice-Chancellor of the University of Liverpool. Prior to this he was Vice-Chancellor of the University of the West of England (UWE) in Bristol, the Chief Executive of the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE), Vice-Chancellor of the University of Southampton, Chairman and Chief Executive of the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), President of Universities UK, and President of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

He was made a CBE in 1995 for services to social science and a knighthood in 2000 for services to higher education.

Sir Howard was formerly a Professor of Sociology in both the UK and USA and has published a large number of books and articles on social change in rural England. He has a lifelong interest in railway history and chairs the Board of the National Railway Museum and is a Trustee of the Science Museum Group. He is a member of the Liverpool LEP Board, the Liverpool Mayoral Development Corporation Board and chairs the Daresbury Enterprise Zone Board as well as being a member of the International Association of Universities Board and the Hong Kong Quality Assurance Council.