

Surgical Innovations (SI) announces the appointment of Mike Thornton as Chief Financial Officer, with immediate effect.

Mike, aged 36, is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants. He joined the Group in December 2011 as Finance Director of the main trading subsidiary, but he also acts as Company Secretary for the Group.

Mike joined SI from professional services firm PwC. Mike trained as a graduate with PwC and qualified as an ACA in 2001 and as an FCA in 2012. He progressed through to Director over a 14-year period, working in offices in Hull, Leeds and London. Whilst at PwC he primarily provided audit, due diligence and stock exchange accountancy services to a wide range of clients across the Yorkshire region.

Graham Bowland, Chief Executive Officer, commented: "We are very pleased to welcome Mike to the Board as Finance Director and his appointment strengthens the Board at a crucial stage of growth in our core Minimally Invasive Surgery business. Since joining us Mike has already had a positive impact and we look forward to his ongoing contribution."