

David Silsby, Parish Councillor

I moved to Bucklebury in 2012 and then to Cold Ash in 2014. I have previously lived in Guildford, Woking, London and numerous other places. I was brought up in Brighton and still miss the sound of the Seagulls in the morning.

I joined the Army upon finishing University and spent many years in uniform. I then went to work for a number of IT companies in the City ending up at the ALLIANZ Insurance for way too many years. When I decided to leave London I moved to a local Gas & Oil company in Reading and thence to the local defence contractor where I now work.

During this period I re-trained as Chartered Civil Engineer (from being an IT graduate) and am now very happy working in this capacity.

I am happily married to a local GP and have 3 step-children, 2 dogs and 2 cats.

I ran the CACP organisation in Cold Ash for some time and was Chairman when the decision was taken to dissolve the CACP as it had achieved it's aims and targets. This organisation morphed into the Cold Ash Volunteers Group which continues to work to high standards within the community.

I joined the Parish Council in 2019 as I felt it was necessary to be involved with the Parish and believed that I now had time to devote to the responsibilities involved. I find the experience varied and interesting and believe that the Parish Council has a valuable place within the community. As always, I believe that more people need to be involved and that there should be a better and larger representation from the people within the community to represent what the community wants and how it wants to develop without having decisions foisted upon it.

In my spare time I enjoy motorcycling, falconry, walking with my dogs and old films (especially film Noir).

