

I have lived in the West Berks District for the past 40 years, having spent most of my childhood just across the border in Hampshire. I am married to Brian, and we have two grown up daughters who went to school at St Marks.

For most of my career I have worked for companies based locally, a mix of smaller and larger companies in a variety of roles but mainly in senior administrative and finance areas.

In 1991 I was elected to the then Newbury District Council, for Shaw-cum-Donnington ward, and to Cold Ash Parish Council. For two of the years was chair of Western Area Planning. I was also as a Parish Councillor for about 11 years.

I have for the past 20 years been leader with 1st Cold Ash Guides, I have been Division Commissioner and Commissioner Mentor, and although I do not run a Guide unit, I am very involved in what happens in Guiding in Berkshire, and especially Thirtover Place, the Girlguiding Residential and Activity Centre in Cold Ash.

I run a small business, based in Thatcham, with my business partner, offering bookkeeping services to other small businesses and charities.

As well as being a Parish Councillor, I have been elected to West Berkshire Council for the Chieveley and Cold Ash ward.

