

I grew up in a South Wales mining town. The first 15 years of my working life were in the manufacturing industry specialising in programming computer-controlled machine tools. I then decided to give up a real job and go to college to study Documentary Photography, for the next 30 years I worked as a press photographer spending 20 years working for The Guardian.

I've been coming to Hay for many years and moved here 11 years ago. As a lifelong passionate angler, and lover of the outdoors, the countryside around Hay is absolute heaven for me.

Being community minded I manage the work of Hay Community Woodland Group, promote and organise Hay Warren Anglers to raise funds for The Warren Trust, work with Brecon Beacons Local Nature Partnership project to increase biodiversity, including managing the rebuilding of The Warren dry stone wall, and helping out with other things where I can.

Joining the council was a natural extension of the community work I already do, I am currently Chair of Estates & Premises, the sub-committee that oversees buildings & land owned or leased by HTC, plus I'm the council nominated governor for Hay Primary School. Council work can be demanding and challenging at times but the one thing I've learned in my short time as a councillor is, you can't please everyone.