

## Trustees and Chief Executive of the NHS Retirement Fellowship



**Margaret Moffat**  
Chairman

After spending time as a patient in hospital during her teens, Margaret left grammar school and joined the Pathology Laboratory at North Middlesex Hospital specialising in Haematology. She left before finally qualifying when Tony, her husband, was offered an assistant professorship in Houston Texas. While there she worked in a Paediatric Practice. Moving back to Cambridgeshire, and after her four children grew up, she returned to work at Addenbrookes Hospital undertaking IT training. She worked in various departments in the hospital and the community, became a Ward Clerk on the Rehabilitation Ward and spent the final ten years of her career as the Bed Manager at Addenbrookes. On retirement, Margaret found a note about the NHSRF in her last pay packet and was immediately elected to the committee of the Cambridge branch, later becoming Branch Chairman. She was appointed as Regional Representative for East Anglia, then elected as the Vice-Chairman and, in 2017, Chairman



**George Kempton**  
Vice Chairman

George has been a member of the North Devon branch of the Fellowship for a number of years, a regional representative for the South West and a member of the National Council for the past 4 years. He had a lifelong career in the NHS, initially as a Medical Laboratory Scientific Officer, before being seconded to the NHS Training Authority where he managed the General Management Training Schemes and developed a number of occupational standards in health care delivery after which he co-directed the Patients First initiative in a London Hospital and ended his career providing consultancy on health care delivery both nationally and internationally.

George is married to Margaret and they have two sons and four grandchildren. Since retirement he has been actively involved in several local and national charities and voluntary organisations. For over 25 years he has been a member of Rotary International holding officer positions at local, district and national level



**Paul Farenden**

Honorary Treasurer, Paul Farenden, is non-executive chairman of Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust.

Paul has over 40 years' experience of working in the NHS. He was a Chief Executive for the last 20 years of his career which ended with retirement from the position of Chief Executive at The Dudley Group of Hospitals Foundation Trust in 2009 where he had been in post for eleven years.

Paul is a qualified accountant and has considerable experience in financial management, change management and leadership and has always been determined to ensure that the quality of patient care is the first priority. He has led large scale organisational change and his significant experience has provided him with in depth understanding of the NHS and the wider health care environment



**Audrey Harris**

Audrey started working for the NHS in 1972, initially part time in the Community, transferring to the Health Authority in 1978. She was initially employed as a full time Personnel Assistant at Basildon Hospital, becoming Medical Staffing Specialist. During these 29 years, there were many changes and reorganisations that resulted in a change of job title, although not necessarily a change of grade. She was working in the Personnel Department, (now changed to Human Resources) until her retirement in 2001.

In 2007 Audrey undertook the role of Trustee of the Fellowship and Regional Representative for North East Thames, a post she held for 6 years. In 2013, Audrey was elected as the National Vice Chairman of the NHSRF then Chairman from 2015 until 2017. Audrey was appointed Chairman of the Benevolent Fund committee in 2017.



**Chris Kitchin**

Chris has worked in primary and secondary care for most of his working life. Currently Chairman of the East Hertfordshire Branch and previously a trustee of a number of other organisations.

NHS experience included human resource management and training, management of hospitals and primary health care, disaster planning, change management and, more recently, chaired a Patient Participation Group. Other experience includes being a secondary school governor, magistrate, member of Hertfordshire Police Authority and of an NHS Trust Involvement Committee, HealthWatch Hertfordshire and PLACE surveys.



**Wendy Lindley**

Wendy worked for the NHS in the Community since 1984 as the Manager of Clinics and Health Centres. Although based in the centre of Salisbury it covered a wide area. The remit included managing staff, clinics, buildings and projects. She retired in 2009.

Wendy joined the NHS RF, became a committee member for her local branch, then secretary and Regional Representative for Wessex. When the role of trustee was separated from that of the Representative she was elected as a trustee.

Wendy is also a trustee for a day centre, a member of the Patient Participation Group, PLACE audits at Salisbury District Hospital and working with the newly formed Primary Care Focus Group for Wiltshire.



**Mercedes Madden**

Mercedes trained as a nurse in Northern Ireland; after having her family she returned to work in the NHS, and has since worked extensively across Primary Care on innovative projects including the Harrow Long & Healthy Life Project, Fundholding in North West Thames Region where she co - edited a book on Fundholding.

Mercedes subsequent posts included a GP Facilitator post at a Primary Care Trust, Clinical Audit Facilitator and as a Practice Manager of GP Practices, a Coordinator for the Clinical Nurse Team in a Hospice, and she currently works in a Oncology Unit.

In a voluntary capacity she is Vice Chair of Mid Sussex NHSRF, a Parish Councillor, Chair of League of Friends and Chair of the local Village Hall.



**Danny Mortimer**

As an A-level student, Danny worked as a porter in his local hospital and, far from putting him off a career in the health service, he became an NHS graduate trainee after completing a degree in politics. Since then he has been personnel manager, Royal United Hospital, Bath; deputy director of personnel, Brighton Health Care, a HR Director in Sussex and Hertfordshire and until November 2014 he was Executive director, workforce and strategy, Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust. In November 2014, Danny was appointed as Chief Executive of NHS Employers, an organisation set up in 2004 to provide a voice and Workforce expertise to the English NHS. He is also a Trustee of ENEI.



**Clare Panniker**

Clare is Chief Executive of three hospital trusts in Essex: Basildon and Thurrock Hospitals Trust, Broomfield Hospital in Chelmsford and Southend Hospital Trust; the first person to be appointed to lead three NHS trusts. Prior to her appointment in Basildon and Thurrock, Clare was CEO of North Middlesex University Hospital for 9 years. A registered nurse, Clare also has a business degree, and has worked in the NHS for more than 25 years. Clare mentors other aspiring NHS leaders, from both clinical and management backgrounds. In her role as Chief Executive, she is the Accounting Officer for the Trust and carries full responsibility for the Trust's performance, forward planning and leadership of the executive team and clinical directors.



**David Paterson**

Prior to his retirement, David worked in NHS general, primary health care and property management, including estates, capital planning and managing capital projects. Currently treasurer of the local Retirement Fellowship branch and of Forth Valley Advocacy a local charity where he is a volunteer independent advocacy worker. David was previously a board member of the Scottish Association for Mental Health and of the Falkirk and District Association for Mental Health where he is currently a volunteer befriender.



**Mik Webb**

Mik worked in the NHS in both England and Wales for 39 years. His career was predominantly in finance. He has had experience at a senior management level at Hospital Trusts, Health Authorities, and the Welsh Office, in a varied career leading to his last post as Director of Finance at the Welsh Ambulance Trust.

Mik joined the NHSRF as a postal member initially and assisted in the establishment of the North Wales Ambulance Branch and is currently the Branch Treasurer. He was the North Wales Representative prior to becoming a Trustee. He is currently a member of the Benevolent Fund Committee building on his work with TASC.

Mik is also a Trustee and financial lead for The Ambulance Staff Charity (TASC) which is a national charity to assist and support Ambulance staff and their families at time of need



**John Rostill**

John Rostill's NHS career spanned 6 decades from 1964 - 2011. He started as a Regional Administrative Trainee, spent 30 years in Walsall as Area Personnel Officer, District Administrator, District General Manager and Chief Executive of the Health Authority and the first Chief Executive of Walsall NHS Trust in 1991.

John's final eight years were as Chief Executive of Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust. He has been Chief Executive of the Fellowship since September 2013