

I arrived in Shillingstone in 2008 from Berkshire. I knew the area a little as my parents lived in Todber and then Blandford since 1989.

For many of my early years in Shillingstone I was working away finding it impossible to be involved in the community. I would like to help residents to connect more easily with the Parish Council in alternative ways such as through Social Media.

I volunteer with Friends of Blandford Hospital, gave hospice support when working in America last year, sponsor a young boy at an orphanage in India and support Cancer Research UK.

I am a Business Consultant and work with large companies all over the world but am trying to do less and less of this and more of my other business – yacht charters – with my partner. I'm a bit jaded by the corporate world!

One of my daughters lives in the village with my granddaughter and her partner and I have two other daughters in Berkshire and London. My father still lives in Blandford. I live at the Cross with my partner and two dogs. Whenever I go away and drive down the hill from Blandford to Durweston and over the bridge I feel a real sense of magic. I absolutely love being here and am committed to helping our wonderful community.