

Candidate bios for 2015 AGM

Kevin Chapman – Clewer North Ward

I was born in October 1954 in Chiswick West London. I was educated up to Junior School level in Whitton near Twickenham, Middlesex.

I lived in Hounslow up until the age of 13 then a short time in Scotland and Whitton following a parental split. Eventually moving to Brentford when my mother re married and then on to Feltham in 1969.

I've been a supporter of Brentford Football Club since 1966. (Some might consider this an illness!)

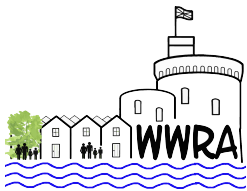
In 1965 I joined The British Red Cross as a cadet which led me over a period of 30 odd years to become a qualified instructor and examiner in First Aid and Nursing. I was awarded the Red Cross Voluntary Medical Services medal in 1990. During the eighties and nineties I worked off and on emergency ambulances as a volunteer driver.

I attended Cranford Comprehensive School until October 1972, leaving with Maths, Further Maths, Biology and English Language.

My first job was with London Borough of Hounslow which I joined on 22nd November 1972 and took up a position as a street cleansing operative (Road sweeper). After about 6-months I successfully applied for the post of Trainee Works and Highways Superintendent. Which meant I was put to work into each of the front line services that I might later be responsible for managing. These included, refuse collection (Dustman), Road Maintenance (Tarmac gang, Concrete and paving gang and Street Lighting Maintenance.) then on to sewers and drainage, sign manufacture, vehicle management and maintenance, home to school transport for disabled children and home to day care transport and meals on wheels.

Each of these were for a period of six months. At the same time I attended Vauxhall College and Brixton School of building where I qualified as a highway engineer.

At the end of my training I took up the position of Highway Supervisor and later became Asst Highway Superintendant based at Chiswick. The next challenge was the introduction of Compulsory Competitive Tendering (CCT) which required highways services to tender in direct competition with contractors for our work. We set up our Direct Labour Organisation (DLO) a year early and were successful in winning the Highway Maintenance Tender, At that time I became the Head of the Highways DLO which incorporated Highway Maintenance (Planned and Reactive), Street Lighting, Drainage and Sign Manufacture and Erection. After the other services such as Street Cleansing and Refuse Collection, Transport Maintenance and Transport Operations were brought into the remit of CCT the two divisions were merged into one and was renamed the Direct Services Organisation (DSO). I applied and successfully attained the position of Deputy DSO Manager reporting to the DSO Manager who was a Chief Officer.



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In 1996 I was asked to take over the management of the Waste Management facility at Space Way Feltham in addition to my Deputy DSO Manager's roll. For this I took a course of study and qualified as a Waste Manager and therefore was the nominated responsible person for the licensed waste facilities in the borough. I also studied for and attained a CPC in vehicle management which enabled me to control the Council's fleet of vehicles.

In 2000 I took a year out from local government and joined a private civil engineering company as General Manager reporting directly to the MD. I did this in order to gain the experience to set me up well for applying for the DSO Manager's job on his retirement. I rejoined Hounslow in 2001 and in 2003 I became the head of the DSO later renamed Environmental Direct Services division (EDS). The only service I became responsible for in which I had not carried out the front line duties was the control of Parking Wardens. Apart from the loss of the Street Cleansing Contract which subsequently returned in-house after 18-months following the failure of the private contractor who had won it. We successfully bid for and won all our in-house contracts and in addition some private contracts which enabled us to employ our "spare capacity". This included the Winter Maintenance (Snow and Ice clearance) for British Airways at Heathrow. We also took on vehicle maintenance for one of our neighbouring boroughs.

My predecessor had worked in conjunction with colleagues in Ealing and set up the first "green box" recycling in London which became my responsibility to manage.

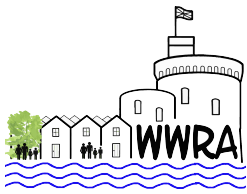
In 2010 there was a change of council and the new administration decided that regardless of performance they were going to privatise all the direct services. I accepted voluntary redundancy and left the council in August 2011. In my fortieth year of service.

I've since qualified as an A1 NVQ assessor and Lead Auditor in ISO 9001 (International Standard for Quality), ISO 14001 (Environment) and OHSAS 18001 (Health and Safety).

Since August 2011 I've been working as a consultant in Waste Management, Health and Safety and the three aforementioned ISO's. This work has taken me around the globe to America, South America and Asia and a large number of Local Authorities and private waste companies within the UK.

Since my wife became ill I have curtailed the working away from home for the foreseeable future. This will free up more time to pursue other interests. However I still work 3-days as a consultant.

I've been a member of WWRA for a number of years and have served on the committee for the last 6 years.



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Carole Da Costa – Clewer North Ward

Carole Da Costa is married to Cllr Wisdom Da Costa, she has two sons, one daughter and, two step sons all of whom are now adults. Carole's children were educated in the Windsor system and attended Dedworth Middle school and the Windsor Boy's and Girl's schools. She has lived in Windsor for eighteen years, and still resides in Dedworth on the Laing estate with her husband, grown up daughter and two rescue dogs.

Carole grew up as part of an Army family her father served twenty two years in the 1st Royal Anglian's as such she moved around quite a bit in her childhood. She went on to married her first husband who was a serving member of the armed services. Carole knows and understands some of the joys and challenges involved in military families.

Carole has worked for the NHS for twelve years. She is currently a community midwife in the Windsor area. She loves her job, and is passionate about improving birth experiences for women and their families.

In the past Carole has served as a committee member at the Manor Youth Centre, where she worked along side Cllr John Fido and the late Cllr Cynthia Edocote. She is currently involved with the Windsor Neighbourhood Planning Forum. This forum involves Windsor residents working together to help shape the future of Windsor for those who live here. She has a special interest in affordable housing for key workers and families that have grown up in Windsor. Carole will also campaign against further expansion of Heathrow and the negative effect this could have on Windsor residence wellbeing.

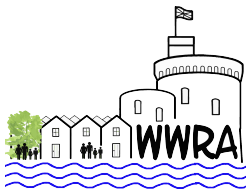
Carole is caring and community minded and has pastoral responsibilities in a local church. She cares about people not party politics and will work to empower and get people's voices heard.

Wisdom Da Costa – Clewer North Ward

Wisdom has lived in Windsor for 5 years since re-marrying Carole in 2010. He runs a small accountancy practice in Windsor, and is qualified as an accountant (FCCA), a corporate treasurer (AMCT), and a teacher (QTS for secondary education).

Wisdom has brought a degree of energy and success to his role as 2014/15 WWRA Chairman, and also as Councillor for Clewer North Ward since July 2014, successfully launching and developing the WWRA's cyberspace presence through the website and social media, and as an active figure campaigning for better planning decisions, improved roads and pavements, reduced aircraft noise, no further Heathrow expansion, and a more Windsor focused planning strategy through the Local Plan and Neighbourhood Planning.

His networking skills have also seen him forge alliances and working relationships



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personally, and for the WWRA, with other local residents organization, cross party Councillors locally and regionally, RBWM officers, national campaigning groups like Hacan, and local stakeholders like the Thames Valley Police, and local GP Dr Katie Simpson.

His views have also been sought by local press, and radio, in relation to Heathrow noise, the proliferation of betting shops, and inequalities in local democracy.

Wisdom also co-presents the Biz Buzz business programme on Marlow FM every second Thursday, as their in-house tax, and accounting expert.

Wisdom is an active churchgoer, and has even catalyzed a monthly prayer meeting with local church leaders, and politicians, to pray for Windsor and Dedworth.

He is married to Carole, and between them they have 5 grown up children, one grandchild, and three dogs.

Wisdom lives in Dedworth in Windsor.

Chris Beale – Clewer South Ward

Chris is a stay at home dad, running a busy household for his family of five. Chris has lived in the Windsor area since moving to the UK in 2008 from Canada, where he was employed in recruitment and teleconferencing sales.

Chris has three children in the Windsor school system and has gotten to know many other parents and residents through schools and various sporting activities. Throughout his life, Chris has always taken an interest in local politics and community affairs. In Toronto he was actively involved in the municipal council, first as a candidate and later on supporting the local minister for transportation. Chris acted as the president of the board of governors for his local nursery school and then on the primary school cooperative association. More recently, Chris was a founding member of the Firestation Arts Centre in Windsor. He's also been active in the Windsor Youth Football Club, as well as the Manorcroft United Junior Football Club and the Cooper's Hill Tennis Club.

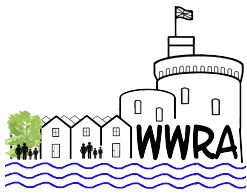
Chris is outgoing and energetic and is keen to support and represent the interests of the local community.

Franco De Luca – Park Ward

DOB: 29/03/1977 Age 37

Lives: Oakley green Windsor

Occupation: Local Business owner / Property Investor



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- lived in berkshire all my life
- Animal lover
- passionate about local area and its environment
- positive energy to make a difference
- would help to improve local peoples lives by taking there issues and concerns forward
- make windsor a safer place by tackling anti social behaviour
- work with local residents to site / build sustainable housing in the right areas
- WORKING FOR BRIGHT AND PROSPEROUS WINDSOR / WEST WINDSOR .

Jonathan L Davey – Park Ward

Born in Hunstanton, Norfolk I moved to Leeds aged 1 so my father could accelerate his career in the Police force. As a teenager, having a Chief Superintendent for a father and a school secretary for a mother meant it was very difficult for me to get into trouble! Giving me a good sense of what is right and what is wrong.

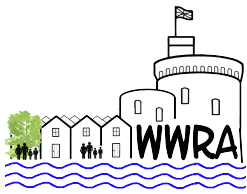
My first proper job after Uni was with Nestle, working in sales as part of the catering division. I moved to launch Acuvue Contact Lenses in the north of England for Johnson & Johnson. As I headed for 31 I knew I needed to be my own man. I went travelling with my then girlfriend and after settled with her parents in Windsor before buying our own place on Bulkeley Avenue. That was nearly 20 years ago! We broke up and I met my current wife Alison and now live in Clewer Hill Road with our two kids, Chloe and Charlie, her father John and our dog Max.

I have been self employed for the last 16 years with a leaning towards Internet technologies that allow communications between individuals and companies. I host various online networks and have a reach of some 10,000 people, mostly in a business context. Read my LinkedIn profile at www.jondavey.co.uk

I'm currently helping the council crowd fund the Magna Carta 800th – The River Relay. I am a member of Windsor & Eton Rotary Club heading up the Youth Speaks committee which encourages young people to present to 100 strong audiences with passion and conviction to get their ideas across. I have also helped raise money to buy around 15 boats in the Philippines and now they tell me they need fridges to put all the fish they are catching in ;)

David Eglise – Castle Without Ward

David has lived in Windsor for over 40 years. He is married with a son and daughter who both live in London. A technologist with over 25 years successful background in new business start ups, multi-media, TV broadcasting, and public sector finance with particular skills in business finance, change management, and strategic planning both in UK and USA. Latterly, and ongoing he has a personal involvement in



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pioneering technology for medical and healthcare technologies.

David now semi-retired is a committee member of the Windsor & Eton Society and is pro-active within the local community. He was an elected councillor for Windsor (2003 - 2007) and cabinet member for Finance and Resources for the same period. David's wife Kay, who until recently was an art lecturer at east Berkshire College is a proficient artist and an energetic member of the community.

Raewyn Porteous – Castle Without Ward

Raewyn has lived and worked in and around Windsor since the 1970's having been born in New Zealand. She is married with a son and a daughter who both live in Windsor. Originally a reporter, working on the Windsor Express and other local papers, she joined British Airways as Cabin Crew, moving in to management in the late 90's responsible for operational scheduling of all BA cabin crew, retiring in 2009.

Raewyn has since involved herself in local planning issues and is a member of the Windsor and Eton Society Heritage and Environment Committee which works to protect the historical fabric of the town and wider area.

Along with her husband Mike, she enjoys growing all the family vegetable requirements and is an active member of the Allotments Society.

Margery Thorogood – Castle Without Ward

Born in London, I moved with my family out to Bracknell when it was a developing New Town and so I was familiar with Windsor when growing up. I moved away to study for my degree and after doing a variety of jobs (including a stint at Mars), I trained to be a teacher which became my career. Currently I am employed as an Advisory teacher (in the area of special educational needs) for an Outer London Borough. I moved to Windsor in 1988 with my husband and had my daughter some years later.

I have a variety of interests including politics both local and national. I was a member of the Labour Party for some years although now I do not belong to any political party. I am an active member of the National Union of Teachers in the area where I work. I am also a founder member of the Save Heatherwood Hospital campaign and also Windsor and Slough Against the Cuts. I sit on Slough and District Trades Council where we support other political groups including the People's Assembly and Unite Against Fascism. I am interested in green issues including climate change and am an active member of the environmental group ASCENT (Ascot and the Sunnings Environmental Network). For just over a year, I have been a member of the Windsor Neighbourhood Plan, sitting on the Transport Group. I also belong to campaign groups such as Greenpeace and Liberty.