

## **Council of Management – Trustee Recruitment**

The following representatives formed the Selection Panel, which has approved Peter Hare and recommended him to the members for election.

Lisa Hennessey, Chair  
Gavin Stride, Director  
David Brinton, Treasurer & Company Secretary  
Vicki Eason, Finance Manager

### **Peter Hare - Biography**

Peter studied Food Technology in Bristol and subsequently joined a 2 year graduate program with Hays Distribution where he developed a keen interest in finance. Keen to pursue an accounting role, Peter joined Declan Kelly Group, a property developer, specializing in joint ventures, with responsibilities for group cash flow forecasting and securing bank funding. He was promoted to accountant, with responsibility for 3 subsidiaries.

In 1990, Peter became a management accountant for Dennis, a manufacturer of buses, fire engines. With increasing responsibilities, including setting up 3 European operations and a Malaysian joint venture, Peter was promoted to Finance Manager. During this period, Peter passed his CIMA professional exams.

In 1998, Peter joined MHH Engineering. Reorganizing and motivating the Finance team, significantly improving the quality and accuracy of financial reporting, Peter was appointed Finance Director. Constantly driving best in class initiatives combined with his hands on approach, the parent company recognized him as a rising talent amongst a group of 27 subsidiaries.

In 2004, Peter was given a dual role, appointed FD for Klann Tools, his input and guidance turned around a failing subsidiary, increasing turnover 350%, profitability tenfold within 5 years. Then in 2012, he was appointed Group Controller International, working on various group restructuring projects, before setting up Quest Industries, accounting and business growth advisers.

His current role Peter is Group Finance Director for Uni-Pol, a multinational manufacturing business.

Since 2004, Peter has had several volunteer positions, initially as an audit committee member for the Engineering Employers Federation, before being voted on to the main board as a non-exec and then eventually becoming Regional Advisory Board Chairman for 7 ½ years.

Peter was Chair of MHH Engineering pension scheme Trustees from 2007 to 2015, and appointed to the Surrey Employment Skills Board from its inception in 2013 until April 2018.

Peter is keen to join Farnham Maltings because its values are for the benefit of the community. Having supported not-for profit organisations both nationally and regionally, Peter now believes now is a good time to give back in to the local community.

Widowed in 2006, Peter remarried in 2015 and has 2 step children. Interests include Scuba Diving, Burgundy Wines, Cooking and is a qualified L2 RFU juniors coach at Farnham Rugby Club.