



I moved to Westbury almost 10 years ago. My secondary years were spent in nearby Shaftesbury and then I studied Chemistry at Oxford. On graduating, I stayed in Oxford, for nearly 20 years, to run my own businesses. My first business was a general IT training & development company which we built from 3 people to well over 100. After a merger and launching on the NASDAQ, I set up a new venture providing specialist IT training and facilities management primarily to IT companies (mostly Microsoft and partners) which employed staff in the Reading, Munich and Paris. I continued to work as an IT trainer. For some years, I commuted from Westbury to Heathrow most Sunday afternoons, teaching in over 40 countries. About 6 years ago I decided to take time out to do voluntary work and see a bit more of my wife and daughter (now 12), volunteered at Crosspoint and joined the Town Council in a contested(!) by election. At the council, I have been very active on our committees, chairing many working groups and the H,P&D committee for the last few years. I am on many other committees and groups in the town leading the Westbury Festival for the last few years. I am also Chair of governors at Westbury Junior School. I keep my IT "hand in" by helping voluntary groups with their IT.