



Betty Lees MBE - President

Betty has been involved with charity work for over 40 years, both as a fundraiser and a committee member. The business experience and organisational skills gained whilst setting up and running her own Employment Consultancy proved invaluable for the senior positions she has held for the last 20 years on the Management Committees of 5 major organisations. As a former Mayor of Dacorum, Betty has wide ranging contacts and is a firm believer in the co-operation between local industry and the Volunteer Sector bringing great benefit to the community.



Janice Cook (Chair)

Janice has been a volunteer for about 30 years in both London and Hertfordshire. In the 1990's, she volunteered at a national, regional and local level for the MS Society. Currently, she is Chair of Hertfordshire Netball Association (recruited through the Volunteer Centre). In her work life, she is an independent coach/mentor and HR specialist who currently runs her own business – Open to Learning. She is very committed to volunteering which she sees as vital to building strong and healthy communities, particularly in Dacorum where she lives.



Tony Amies (Vice Chair)

Tony joined the Management Committee in 1996 whilst employed as a store Manager for Boots plc. Tony is a past President of Hemel Hempstead Rotary Club, and Chairman of Hemel Hempstead Town Centre Management Committee. A resident of Hemel Hempstead since 1986.

Malcolm Rogers

Volunteer Centre Financial Director. Malcolm joined the trustees in October 2009 following his retirement from the MOD. Malcolm likes to keep busy! He also volunteers for Dacorum Communities for Learning, West Herts Scouts Council and 1st Tring Scout Group. He is also the Finance Governor, Chairman of Governors, Goldfield Infant School, Tring.



Rozina Ahmad

Rozina works for the local charity, the Iain Rennie Hospice at Home (IRHH), in Voluntary Services and HR. Rozina has worked for IRHH for five years. Her previous background was in banking. Rozina's current role at IRHH involves recruiting and supporting volunteers. She is fully aware of the crucial role that Volunteer Centre's play in recruiting volunteers for organisations such as IRHH. Rozina has been a volunteer for the Aylesbury Child Contact Centre for 6 years. She has recently spent 2 ½ years studying part-time for the CIPD (HR qualification).



Hilary Bushill

Hilary has been involved in volunteering for a variety of charities in Dacorum for over 30 years and has been a Trustee of the Volunteer Centre for 12 years. She was National Organiser (Chief Executive) of the National Women's Register, an organisation of women's discussion groups and has been employed in several jobs involving networking with the voluntary sector. Now retired, Hilary is keen to share her passion for volunteering, having developed many skills through voluntary work that played a major part in her working life.



Joanna Hall

Joanna is the Manager of the Riverside Shopping Centre in Hemel Hempstead. She has worked in shopping centre management since 2001 after returning from working with the volunteers at the Sydney Olympics. She has been involved with the Scout Association as a helper for several years. New to Hemel, Joanna is keen to make sure that Riverside becomes part of the local community

Shirley Jones

Shirley joined the trustees in October 2009. She worked at John Dickinson (paper manufacturer) and was a Union Representative. Shirley has been a Magistrate for 10 years in the Hemel Hempstead and St Albans Courts. Apart from her trusteeship with the Volunteer Centre, she is an active volunteer with the Apsley Paper Trail – the heritage site that was the Dickinson's Paper Mill.



Lara Parker

Lara was Home-Start Dacorum's Scheme Manager for several years and worked closely with the Volunteer Centre in that role. She is currently working for the Labour Party. Lara's interests include politics, canal barges and her own family!



Ann Robertson

Ann Robertson was first involved with the Volunteer Centre as a volunteer on the Vocal Project in 1997 and then went on to take up a part time position at the Centre as Youth Opportunities Co-ordinator. She left in 1999 to study for her degree and has since gone on to Lecture in Performing Arts at Amersham College and currently works for Student Support at West Herts College, where she is also studying Sign Language.



Cllr Richard Roberts

Cllr Roberts is a Dacorum Borough and Herts County Council Member.

Locally he represents Bovingdon, Flaunden and Chipperfield sits as Chair of the Planning Committee for Dacorum Borough Council. He has recently been appointed to the Cabinet of Herts County Council.

Cllr Roberts is nominated by Dacorum Borough Council as a Director on the Volunteer Centre Board.