

Consultation for His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenants

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Biographies



Colonel Sir Edward Bolitho KCVO OBE CStJ

Edward was born in Penzance and, after school and university, joined the Army, serving with Grenadier Guards for 20 years throughout the world. He left the Army in 1998 to return to Cornwall. Since then he has run the family businesses; principally based in West Cornwall, this involves farming, property rental, building renovation and conversion and management of leisure activities.

He was appointed Lord-Lieutenant of Cornwall on 19 September 2011 and Chairman of the Association of Lord-Lieutenants in 2018. He is married to Alexandra and they have twin daughters, one son and three grandchildren. He was appointed KCVO in the New Year's Honours List 2024.



Mr Angus Campbell

Angus was born in 1949 and raised in North Dorset and educated in Dorset and Devon. Worked in New Zealand in agriculture from 1970 to 1972 before returning to the UK. He then attended Sandhurst and became an officer in the Army Air Corps on a Short Service Commission serving as a Helicopter Pilot in West Germany, United Nations in Cyprus, Northern Ireland, Canada, and finally back to Cyprus as Second in Command of 16 Flight Army Air Corps. Returning to Farm in Dorset Angus became involved in local politics becoming Leader of North Dorset District Council and then Leader of Dorset County Council from 2006 before standing down in 2013. In January 2014 Angus was appointed Lord-Lieutenant for Dorset. During his service Angus has been the Lord-Lieutenant's National Representative for The Queen's/King's Award for Voluntary Service, served for three years as Southwest Regional Chair and served as Chair of the Devon, Cornwall, and Dorset Advisory Recruitment Committee for the Judiciary.



Sir John Crabtree OBE CStJ

John has a variety of business, community and charitable interests, predominantly in the West Midlands. He is a former President of Birmingham Chamber of Commerce & Industry, previous High Sheriff of the West Midlands and is Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of the West Midlands. John was also Chair of the Birmingham Organising Committee for the 2022 Commonwealth Games.

In 2003 he was voted West Midlands Businessman of the year, the following year he was voted UK lawyer of the year and has received life-time achievement awards from the Birmingham Law Society and in 2012, the Birmingham Post. John has also received honorary doctorates from Birmingham University, Aston University & Birmingham City University.



Lady Fiona MacGregor

Fiona has been Lord-Lieutenant of Dumfries for seven years. A former newsreader with ITN and BBC News, her reporting work has taken her to places like Africa, Europe, and Cambodia. At home she has presented programmes ranging from politics to the countryside, from antiques to cooking. She is currently fronting 'Border Life', a current affairs/features programme for ITV Border. She presented the series, 'Fiona on Fishing' and Sky TV's 'Tight Lines' programme and a keen angler, has penned two fishing books. She has written columns for Scottish Field magazine and The Courier newspaper. Fiona set up the Reiver Trail in southern Scotland and has made films on borderland clans and families. She is married to a clan chief, and as Lady MacGregor of MacGregor, writes about Scottish life for an American and Australian newspaper. She has two naughty dogs, and her hobbies include fishing, swimming and gardening.



Major General Patrick Marriott CB CBE

Patrick left the Regular Army in 2012, having been commissioned into the 17th/21st Lancers in 1977. His career included operational service in Northern Ireland, the Sinai, Bosnia, Kosovo, Iraq and Afghanistan. He commanded: The Queen's Royal Lancers, deploying to Bosnia in 1998 (OBE), the 7th Armoured Brigade (The Desert Rats) - to Iraq in 2005/6 (QCVS), and Commandant at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst (CB). He was Chief of Staff of 1st (UK) Armoured Division for the attack into Iraq in 2003 (CBE).

He is currently a trustee of The Desert Rats' Association, Chairman of the Friends of Sutherland Veterans and the Battle of Littleferry Project, President of the Sutherland Branch of the charity SSAFA. He is the Honorary Colonel of the 7th Battalion, the Royal Regiment of Scotland. He became a DL in 2013, becoming the Lord-Lieutenant in 2022.

Patrick is married to Henrietta; their home is beside Loch Fleet near Golspie in Sutherland.



Mrs Amanda Parker JP

Amanda grew up on a farm in Lancashire and attended the Royal Grammar School, Clitheroe, followed by Newcastle University. After working in London for a few years, she and Robert returned to Lancashire to live at Browsholme Hall.

She has devoted 35 years to voluntary service; while simultaneously founding two IT and AV businesses. Amanda served as a magistrate for almost two decades; supported young people through sport; is Chair of National Crimebeat, a youth crime prevention charity; and sits on several county boards. Amanda combines this with running the highly successful tourism enterprise at Browsholme Hall.



Sir John Peace CVO, CStJ

Sir John has a long and distinguished business career at the highest levels covering the technology, financial services and retail sectors. Formerly Chairman, Chief Executive and Founder of Experian plc, Chief Executive of GUS plc, Chairman of Standard Chartered plc, and Chairman of Burberry plc - all FTSE 100 companies.

He is committed to supporting the Midlands region as Chairman of the Midlands Engine and Midlands Connect. These Government backed initiatives are aimed at driving economic growth throughout the Midlands region, creating new jobs and generally helping people live their lives better.

Sir John is the Lord-Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire. He has a long-standing interest in education; he was Chairman of the Board of Governors of Nottingham Trent University for 10 years, and in 2017 became Chancellor of Nottingham Trent University.

He was knighted in 2011 for services to business and the voluntary sector and appointed Commander of the Royal Victorian Order (CVO) in the 2023 Birthday Honours for services as Lord Lieutenant. Sir John was also appointed Commander of the Order of St John in 2023.



Professor Veronica Pickering DL

Veronica currently serves as High Sheriff of Nottinghamshire. She is also Honorary Air Commodore for 504 County of Nottingham squadron. Born in Kenya, Veronica is a social entrepreneur and executive coach; a dedicated advocate for people, inclusion and equality, supporting vulnerable communities, and is also champion for the arts. In 2022 she was awarded an MBS (Moran of the Order of the Burning Spear) for services to Kenya. Veronica is also a visiting Professor of Resilience and Inclusion at Lincoln University actively contributing towards promoting positive change in both local and business communities and the broader societal landscape.



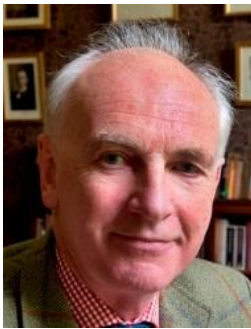
Mr Alan Simpson OBE

Alan was appointed Lord-Lieutenant Stirling and Falkirk in 2017. Prior to that he worked as a civil engineer responsible for the design of a wide range of projects including bridges, motorways, wind farms, flood protection, and water schemes.

Other activities have included being Chair of Court at the University of Stirling, Chairman of the National Youth Orchestras of Scotland and Chairman of the Institution of Civil Engineers Scotland. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and a member of The King's Bodyguard for Scotland Royal Company of Archers.

Currently, he is chair of the MacRobert Arts Centre and chairman of the Lake of Menteith Fisheries Limited.

Alan was awarded an OBE in 2015 for services to education.



Professor Sir Hew Strachan FBA, FRSE

Hew has been Wardlaw Professor of International Relations at the University of St Andrews since 2015 and Lord Lieutenant of Tweeddale since 2014. He is a Life Fellow of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, where he taught from 1975 to 1992, and an Emeritus Fellow of All Souls College, Oxford, where he was Chichele Professor of the History of War 2002-15. He was a Commonwealth War Graves Commissioner 2006-18 and a Trustee of the Imperial War Museum 2010-17, serving on the national committees for the centenary of the First World War of the United Kingdom, Scotland and France. In 2010 he chaired a task force on the implementation of the Armed Forces Covenant for the Prime Minister, and has been a specialist adviser to the Joint Parliamentary Committee on the National Security Strategy since 2011. He is a Captain in the King's Bodyguard for Scotland (Royal Company of Archers). In December 2012, Foreign Policy magazine included him in its list of top global thinkers for the year and in 2016 he was awarded the Pritzker Prize for Lifetime Achievement in Military Writing.



Mr Andrew Try

Andrew is the founder and Managing Director of ComXo, which provides virtual personal assistance and other workplace services to large enterprise clients in the City of London; his company employs 110 people in Datchet. A sixth-generation Windsorian, his voluntary work has focused on serving the locality, including as Trustee of the Windsor Festival, the Windsor Learning Partnership Multi-Academy Trust and the Prince Philip Trust Fund; member of the board of the Friends of St George's Chapel; chair of the Royal Windsor Rose and Horticultural Society; and governor of Clewer Green Primary School and Papplewick School, Ascot.

Andrew has two children and an adult stepson and lives in Windsor with their mother, Vicky.

Andrew was appointed a Deputy Lieutenant in 2019. He took on the role as Lord Lieutenant on 23 October 2023.



Alex Galloway CVO

Alex has acted as Adviser to the Association of Lord-Lieutenants since 2007. This is not in any sense a full-time job, but the Adviser is available to help Lord-Lieutenants on any matter at any time, and to assist the Chairman and Secretary with projects and one-off exercises. Alex was appointed Adviser shortly after his retirement from the Civil Service after a career of 32 years, the last eight of which were spent as Clerk of the Privy Council. He now lives in Warwickshire.



Tom Wilson

Tom has been Secretary of the Association of Lord-Lieutenants since 2015. He carries out this role alongside his main job as a Clerk (i.e. impartial adviser) in the House of Lords – indeed, all secretaries of the Association have been House of Lords Clerks since the Association was founded in the early 20th Century. In his current role, Tom is Principal Clerk of Select Committees, leading the team of staff which supports the House's international-facing select committees. He also sits at the Table of the House, advising members and ensuring that the business of the House proceeds smoothly.