

# Consultation for His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenants

Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025

## Lord-Lieutenant Biographies



### **Mr Derrick Anderson CBE**

Derrick was appointed by His Majesty The King to be His representative in the West Midlands with effect from 5th August 2024.

In his working life Derrick was Chief Executive Officer of Wolverhampton Council and subsequently Lambeth Council, retiring in 2014. Since then he has devoted his time to a wide range of roles and is currently a director of Wave Trust, Patron of Association of Dance of the African Diaspora and a Non-Executive Director of UK Municipal Bond Agency PLC and a Trustee of Our Futures charity.

Derrick was heavily involved with the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games as a Non-Executive Director and subsequently became a founding Trustee of the Commonwealth Games Legacy Trust 2022.

Awarded a CBE in 2003 for Services to Local Government, Derrick has also been recognised with Honorary Doctorates from Birmingham University (Services to Local Government) and Staffordshire University (in recognition of work on social inclusion and cultural policy).



### **Mr Ed Anderson CBE**

Ed has been Lord-Lieutenant of West Yorkshire - the 3rd largest County by population outside London - since 2018 and will retire at the end of 2025. He is also Chair of the NE/Y&H region of the Association. His executive career was partly in local government and partly in the airports sector where he was CEO of Leeds Bradford Airport for 10 years and then was Chairman of the Airport Operators Association. He also served as Chair of the Yorkshire Building Society during and after the global financial crisis and has recently retired as Chair of National Savings & Investments. Outside work, his passions are music (all genres) and cricket.



### **Professor Elizabeth Barnes CBE**

Liz has served her career in Education, predominantly in Higher Education, but starting off as a teacher in Stoke-on-Trent. She worked for over 30 years in HE and finished her career as Vice Chancellor of Staffordshire University. Since retiring she has continued to engage with Higher Education sitting on the Board of Sunderland and Middlesex Universities, has become a non-executive Director of the Group NHS Board for North Tees and South Tees hospitals and joined the Board of a Social Housing organisation Aspire Housing, where she is now Vice Chair.



### **Mrs Sarah Barron**

Sarah is a Town Planner Town and Landscape Architecture specialising in large scale housing developments, landscape master-planning and conservation.

She is currently the Vice Lord-lieutenant of Midlothian and runs the Midlothian's Young People Awards.

Sarah is Chair of The Mavisbank Trust, set up to restore one of Scotland's most important early Palladian villas, located in Midlothian. She is a founding member and Trustee of Scotland's Garden and Landscape Heritage, which protects Scotland's historic designed landscapes and was a Trustee of Scotland's Gardens Scheme for 14 years, raising funds through garden openings across Midlothian.

Sarah has been the Vice Chair of The Friends of Saltersgate School in Dalkeith and is currently a member of the George Watson's College School Council.

Her hobbies include gardening, archery and beekeeping.



### **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.



### **Lieutenant Colonel Richard Callander LVO OBE TD FRICS**

Richard was a Chartered Surveyor in Edinburgh before appointment as Head Factor for the National Trust for Scotland. Territorial Army (40 years) that included 8½ years Full Time Reserve Service, including tours in Bosnia, the MoD and as Project Director for the construction of the Armed Forces Memorial in Staffordshire. Secretary of The Queen's Bodyguard for Scotland, Royal Company of Archers 2007-19. Chairman of Veterans Housing Scotland – housing disabled ex-Service personnel (2011-21).

Now runs his mixed arable and stock farm south of Edinburgh that includes a Business Centre.

Appointed Lord-Lieutenant of Midlothian 2020.

Interests include: Longbow archery, gardening, travelling and ski-ing.

Married to Mary and they have three adult children and four grandchildren.



### **Mr Michael Dooley LVO MMs FRCOG Hon.DSc**

Michael commenced his new role as Lord-Lieutenant of Dorset on 5 September 2024.

Michael is a Consultant Gynaecologist and worked for the NHS for over 30 years. He is now Consultant Gynaecologist to the Royal Household, and practices in London and Dorset. He was lead Gynaecologist at the London Olympics, and Team Doctor for the British Equestrian Federation for eight years. He is a visiting Professor to Bournemouth University and served as High Sheriff for Dorset four years. Michael has developed and led an initiative on Creating Health and Harmony in Dorset and will have the 4<sup>th</sup> annual conference in June 2025 at Bournemouth University.

He has raised considerable sums for charities and other good causes, including the Dorset County Hospital, a local hospice, and the Royal Osteoporosis Society. He is Honorary Treasurer and Council member of The College of Medicine, is an author of three medical educational books and trustee to several charities.

Michael lives in Broadmayne, near Dorchester, with his wife, Barbara. They have three children and seven grandchildren.



### **Sir Ian Dudson KCVO CBE**

Ian was appointed Lord-Lieutenant in Staffordshire on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

He is married to Jane, and they have two married daughters and three grandchildren.

Educated at Shrewsbury School, Dundee and Staffordshire Universities, Ian's commercial life was in the UK Ceramics manufacturing industry. He was awarded a CBE for services to the industry in 2002 and was President of the British Ceramic Confederation from 2007-2009

Appointed a Deputy Lieutenant in 2001, Pro-Chancellor of Keele University 2005-2012, High Sheriff of Staffordshire in 2010-11, made a Knight of the Order of St John in 2017 and a Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order in the 2025 NY honours.



### **Ms Sara Edwards**

Sara has been Lord-Lieutenant of Dyfed since 2016.

Following a broadcasting and journalistic career spanning around twenty years with BBC Wales, during which time she worked on programmes within News and Current Affairs, the Arts, Culture and Countryside, Sara returned home to the family farm in West Wales to bring up her daughter. As a consequence of taking up the reins of managing the farm she has become deeply interested in the environment, planting trees, hedge laying and gardening!

Dyfed as a Lieutenancy is a large geographic area covering the three counties of Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire, an area comprising a sizable part of West and Mid Wales, from Ammanford and Llanelli in the south, around the coast of Cardigan Bay from St David's in the West with its wonderful cathedral and up to Aberystwyth and in between!

Apart from the southernmost tip of Pembrokeshire which has its own unique cultural identity, Dyfed as a whole has a large and growing Welsh speaking population. Thanks to the support and encouragement of an excellent Lieutenancy team Sara has from the beginning endeavoured to conduct all Lieutenancy correspondence and activities bilingually, and as a result is now more or less fluent in the Welsh language.

The role of Lord-Lieutenant is busy and ever evolving and despite being in the role since 2016 Sara still feels she is learning!



### **Ms Catherine Maxwell Stuart**

Catherine was born and brought up at Traquair, Scotland's Oldest Inhabited House in Peeblesshire. Educated locally and studied at the London School of Economics and Edinburgh University. She became the 21<sup>st</sup> Lady of Traquair when she inherited the house at the age of 25 and took over the running and management of the estate, house and brewery which attracts over 35,000 visitors annually. She has sat on local and national boards for various organisations focusses on tourism, heritage, environment and economic regeneration. She currently chairs the Tweed Valley Business Improvement District with a membership of approximately 100 local tourism businesses.



### **Air Commodore Alistair Monkman CBE**

Alistair gained his private pilots' licence aged 17 and joined the Royal Air Force as a Tornado pilot in 1985. During 27 years of service, Alistair flew over 500 hours of combat operations over Iraq, Serbia and Afghanistan, including with the United States Air Force, and was decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal and the Legion of Merit by the USA. Alistair moved to Moray in 2003 and served at RAF Lossiemouth as Officer Commanding 617 Squadron and then Station Commander, during which time he was an ADC to Her Majesty the Queen. He was awarded a CBE in the 2010 New Year's Honours list.

Alistair supports a number of charities and chairs the Moray Emergency Relief Fund. He is also an Assessor for the Moray Community Foundation. His interests include cycling and endurance hill walking and has undertaken annual long distance walks every year since 2012. His passion, however, is the management of wild deer and he is a Trustee Director of the British Deer Society, chairing the BDS' Scottish Council.



### **Major General the Hon Seymour Monro CBE, LVO**

Seymour commanded the 1<sup>st</sup> Bn Queen's Own Highlanders in Belfast and the First Gulf War. He commanded 39 Infantry Brigade in Belfast and was later Director of Infantry. His last military appointment was Deputy Commander of the NATO Rapid Deployable Corps, Italy.

He has been Executive Director of the Atlantic Salmon Trust, Adjutant of The Queen's Body Guard for Scotland and Director of The Highland Military Tattoo at Fort George.

He is involved in a number of local charities. Appointed HM Lord-Lieutenant of Moray in January 2020, he launched the Moray Emergency Relief Fund for struggling families at the start of the Pandemic and is now the Patron of its successor The Moray Community Foundation.



### **Dr Caroline Pryer**

Caroline, a DL since 2010 and Vice Lord-Lieutenant from 2021, was appointed Lord-Lieutenant 1<sup>st</sup> May 2024. As an Army child, she travelled the world with her father, David Ward, formerly 45 Commando and KOSB. She attended St Margaret's School in Edinburgh; performed in the Edinburgh Fringe 1982/3, taught speech and drama to all age groups and retired as a headteacher and new Granny in 2022. Caroline chairs SSAFA Northumberland; repairs and upcycles almost anything; enjoys her ancestry, heritage and four generations of her family. Apart from teaching in Edinburgh and family adventures, she has lived in Northumberland and dedicated to its residents, economy, carers and volunteers.



### **Mrs Sue Snowdon**

Sue is a former teacher and Magistrate. She co-ordinated the Durham Writing project and was tutor for Adult Literacy and Numeracy for many years. Sue served as a magistrate in County Durham and Darlington for 23 years.

She chaired both family and adult courts and implemented the magistrates in the community scheme in this area. She was a member of the Judicial Review Board for England and Wales and Vice Chairman of the Advisory Committee which is responsible for appointing and training Magistrates.

Sue has devoted much of her life to supporting and fundraising for charities. In particular the work of Cancer Research, both locally and nationally and Hospices care across the Lieutenancy area.

A great supporter of communities she was one of the founder members of the Bishop Auckland Town Centre Forum. She chaired the marketing and promotion group which developed and implemented an events led strategy designed to lift and raise the profile of the town and immediate surrounding areas.

She has also worked on a regional basis in driving the development of communities to increase quality of life and led a team who were nominated by the Regional Development Agency to represent the Region in the National Enterprising Britain Awards.

A major Regional event which she and her group started was the Bishop Auckland Food Festival. They organised, managed and nurtured this initiative to a point where it became a very large visitor attraction and was handed over to Durham County Council in 2011 for its future development.

Sue lives near Bishop Auckland with her husband Keith whose family have farmed in County Durham for over a century. She remains very much involved with the local community, working with schools and colleges, the local community partnership and many other groups.

As the Lord-Lieutenant her aims for the Lieutenancy are to provide a focus for identity, unity and pride; give a sense of stability, recognising achievements, success and excellence; promoting service to others; celebrating the unique history and culture of the Lieutenancy area; supporting its communities and helping to make a positive contribution to the area's future.



### **Julie Spence OBE QPM BEd LLB MA MBA**

Julie is His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire.

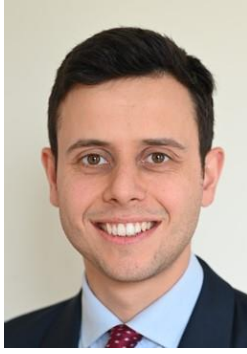
Graduating as a teacher, she changed career in 1978 and joined Avon and Somerset Constabulary. In 1999 she was appointed Assistant Chief Constable for Thames Valley Police; and in 2005 Chief Constable of Cambridgeshire.

In the Queen's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday honours list she was awarded an OBE for her strong leadership of Thames Valley's contribution to the counter terrorist operations to protect Heathrow, the Queen Mother's funeral, her determination in taking forward the Gender Agenda and the development of the British Association of Women in Policing (BAWP), which became major drivers for gender equality in policing: then in the 2010 New Year's Honours list she received the Queens Police Medal (QPM).

In September 2010, after a 32-year career, she developed a portfolio career; roles included Chair of Police Mutual Finance, Chair of Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS Trust, a member of the Press Complaints Commission, sitting on Police Tribunals, a Governor at Anglia Ruskin University and Trustee of Ormiston Families.

Julie is married to John, a former Police Chief Inspector, who has served in both the Metropolitan Police, Avon & Somerset Constabulary and Regional Police Training based in Dorset. Since retiring he has unstintingly supported Julie in her career. John is a great husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, cook, secretary and driver!

Their passions when time allows are walking, travelling and more recently owning legs in racehorses which occasionally win.



### **Matthew Burton**

Matthew is the incoming Secretary to the Association of Lord-Lieutenants. He will carry out this role while working as an Assistant Clerk in the Legislation Office of the House of Lords. As a procedural clerk, Matthew advises Members of the House on the process for scrutinising and amending legislation. He also serves as a duty clerk in the House's Table Office, producing the House's order paper and helping Members to table business. Matthew previously worked for the House of Commons Library and as a secondary school teacher with the Teach First programme.



### **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.



### **Richard Tilbrook CVO**

Richard is a career civil servant, who currently serves as one of the Prime Minister's Appointments Secretaries and Clerk of the Privy Council. He has previously worked at GCHQ in Cheltenham; in DFID, overseeing the UK development programmes in Afghanistan and Ukraine; as Deputy Chief of the Assessments Staff, providing the Cabinet with intelligence briefings; and as Head of the Honours Secretariat. He lives in the Cotswolds, where his interests include gardening, bell-ringing, learning to play the piano, and village life. His husband is a Roman archaeologist and Research Keeper at the Ashmolean Museum.



### **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 20<sup>th</sup> 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.



## Speaker Biographies

### **Tobyn Andreae**

Tobyn Andreae spent 25 years as a writer, editor and executive on national newspapers, most recently as Deputy Editor of the Daily Mail and Mail on Sunday. During this period, The Mail titles became market leaders, won multiple industry awards and pioneered the transition to digital journalism.

He joined the Royal Household in September 2022, on the day Queen Elizabeth passed away, and as Director of Communications oversaw the planning and delivery of Royal Communications around the change of reign, including The Coronation, the first State Visits, and a number of Family challenges including The King's recent illness.

He continues to manage media coverage around the day-to-day engagements of all working members of the Royal Family, except for the Prince and Princess of Wales, running a dedicated team of 17 based at Buckingham Palace.

Outside work, he enjoys windy walks on the North Devon coast with his family and high-maintenance whippet.

### **Colonel (Ret'd) John Boyd OBE**

John was born and went to school in Belfast. He initially joined Queens University Officer Training Corps in September 1988 and completed 3½ years TA service, including a TA commission, before attending Regular Sandhurst in January 1992. He was commissioned into the Parachute Regiment and enjoyed 32 years in the Army, including operational deployments to Northern Ireland, Iraq, Afghanistan and Pakistan. In 2014 he was awarded an OBE for his time in command of The 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion The Parachute Regiment, which included supporting both Afghanistan and a short notice mobilisation for the 2012 London Olympics. One of the other highlights of his military career included being the SO1 Army News in Main Building, where one of his secondary duties required him to act as Prince Harry's Military Press Advisor. On leaving the Army in 2024 he was appointed into the role of Private Secretary to The Princess Royal on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024. Unfortunately, a widower he lives in Hampshire and is the father to two teenage children and a black labrador. He enjoys skiing when the opportunity arises, rough shooting, scuba diving in warm climes and running. Any spare time thereafter is dedicated to supporting the membership of his local British Legion.

## **Robert Hardman**

Robert is a British writer and broadcaster, specialising in royalty, history and soft power in modern times. A journalist for more than 30 years, he has also been a member of the BBC commentary team at all the major state occasions of recent times, including the Coronation of Charles III, the funerals of Elizabeth II and Prince Philip and the weddings of Prince William and Catherine Middleton and Prince Harry and Meghan Markle.

He is the author of several international bestsellers. His latest, *Charles III - New King. New Court. The Inside Story* (published in the USA as *The Making of A King*), went straight in at Number One in the Sunday Times 2024 UK charts. It remained there for several weeks. In the words of Professor Simon Heffer in the Daily Telegraph: 'As a situation report on the monarchy today, this book will attain the status of a historical document.'

Hardman's previous book, *Queen of Our Times: The Life of Elizabeth II*, was also an international bestseller and was the 2022 Sunday Times Biography of the Year. It was presented by (then) Prime Minister Boris Johnson to Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky in the same year.

As a national and international newspaper journalist – for the Daily Telegraph and then for the Daily Mail - he has covered numerous historic events, from elections (UK and global) to Olympiads and World Cups to major triumphs and disasters. He was on the last trans-Atlantic flight of Concorde and was the first (and only) journalist inside the Cathedral of Notre Dame while it was burning. On the royal front, he was there at all the key moments, from Elizabeth II's first state visits to Russia, Ireland and post-apartheid South Africa to the deaths of Diana, Princess of Wales and the Queen Mother.

Hardman has also written and produced several hit documentaries which have enjoyed primetime viewing around the world. The most recent, *Charles III: The Coronation Year* (BBC One), was one of the most-watched programmes on UK television during Christmas 2023. Other major broadcasting landmarks include *Monarchy: The Royal Family at Work*, *Our Queen, George III – The Genius of The Mad King*, *Queen of the World*, *Charles at 60*, *The Duke: In His Own Words*, *Anne: The Princess Royal at 70* and *Prince Philip: The Royal Family Remembers*.

Hardman has interviewed the King (when Prince of Wales) many times and has interviewed members of the Royal Family on numerous occasions over the years. He has interviewed many world leaders, including Bill Clinton, George W Bush, Emperor Akihito of Japan, Queen Margrethe of Denmark, King Harald of Norway, John Howard, Julia Gillard and Justin Trudeau. The list spans all the major figures in recent British public life, from Sir John Major, Tony Blair, David Cameron, Theresa May and Boris Johnson to Andrew Lloyd Webber, Dame Ellen Macarthur and John Hemingway, the last of 'The Few' who

fought in the Battle of Britain. He has also ridden the world's tallest horse and walked the world's smallest dog.

A Cambridge University graduate in classics, he lives with his family in London.