

Charitable Incorporated Organisation No. 1169908

Annual General Meeting – 5th October 2023

Prospective Trustees – profiles

Name	
Michael Garrett	Soon to be retired, I'm a senior engineering manager with a utility company, and have many transferable skills both practical and managerial. My family have direct links with Wadhurst men lost in WW1, my Great Grandparents making contributions to support building of the Hall. I grew up in Wadhurst and have several years committee experience as a long standing member of the Brass Band being a player since my Uplands School days in the 1970's. I'd like to now support the future of the Hall & Field, working to support trust ensuring the Hall remains forward thinking and relevant, whilst respecting its past.
Christopher Ince	A retired former civil engineer and member of HM Forces, my wife and I moved to Wadhurst in 2020 so as to be close to our son and his young family,
	who live in Tunbridge Wells. Over the last three years, living next to the Institute, we have witnessed at first hand the excellent opportunities that the CIO offers to the people of Wadhurst, be it in the Commemoration Hall or on the playing fields. Against this background and having worked in the humanitarian aid field for a number of years I am very keen to become a Trustee, in order to be able to support the Charity in the ongoing provision of the outstanding support and services that it provides to the local community.
Jonathan Butler	"I grew up in the area and have returned in the last two years to settle very happily with my family.
	As an RIBA Chartered architect, I am the co-founder of an architectural practice, RHJB Architects, which we have been successfully running for some 9 years.
	I'm passionate about the local community, not least for others, but also for the well-being of my family and young baby daughter, who is already benefitting from assets such as the playground, and enjoying the various children's functions at the hall.
	I'm keen to invest energy in ensuring the longevity and preservation of the Institute's assets.
	I look forward to injecting enthusiasm and ideas on how the Hall and associated Institute assets can be maintained and evolve to meet the ever changing needs of Wadhurst's community. "
Craig Watson	Craig has been a Wadhurst resident for over 10 years, is married to Cath and they have a young son who attends a local primary school. He has been a



	volunteer with the Wadhurst Warriors since his arrival. Craig served as trustee of the charity for seven years, four of which he also held the role of Secretary. Craig has been involved in two start-up insurance businesses, raised over £2,600 for O2e in 2020 and has a passion for outdoor activities.
Michelle Carter	Since moving to the Wadhurst 5 years ago, my life has changed considerably. Going from commuting to London five days a week to having two small children, as well as living through the pandemic, has made me appreciate what a vibrant, supportive and heart warming place Wadhurst is and how lucky I am to be a part of it.
	As such, I'd like to use my skills in Business Operations to good use as a trustee of the Commemoration Hall to ensure it remains at the heart of the village and continues to represent the essence of Wadhurst.
Myles White	My wife and I have lived in Wadhurst since 1996 and have been in our current house on Lower High St for 19 years. We have 4 children, all now grown up and working or at university. We have always been active in the village as a founder member of Wadhurst Warriors, running with Wadhurst Runners, junior football club, Bewl Sailing Club and currently regularly playing tennis with Wadhurst Tennis Club.
	I have recently semi retired from commuting to London and regular overseas travel. I am a Chartered Surveyor and had a senior position in a real estate fund management business investing into and developing commercial retail properties across UK, Europe, APAC and US. While the Hall and Field is very different, I think my real estate experience should be beneficial to future strategic thinking and I now have time to spend as a trustee.