



## **Biographies of candidates for management committee**

### **Fran Butler**

I have lived in Toot Baldon for over 18 years, along with my partner Bruce. We have two children who both attended the village school and are now at Wheatley Park School. I was on the committee which developed the Parish Plan and was also a governor at Marsh Baldon Primary School from 2007 to 2012. I have worked in different parts of the NHS for most of my working life, including recently managing a GP practice, a job which gave me a good understanding of some of the pressures and issues concerned with running a small business. Previous to my NHS roles I worked in the private sector in computing. I am keen to become a member of the committee because I recognise the importance of a thriving pub in the village both as a place to eat and just as importantly for villagers to get together over a drink. I have seen landlords come and go in the past unable to make the pub work and it's great to see Matt making such a success of it. I believe my background and common sense will enable me to make an important contribution to the committee.

### **Phil Collins**

Dawn and I have lived between Nuneham and Sandford for over 14 years now and a good deal of our social life has revolved around the Baldons and particularly the Pub! I was one of the original small group that scoped out the Save the Seven Stars project and have served as Vice Chair of the BNCS Committee for the last 3 years. The whole project has been a real life example of what happens when local Communities get together in a common cause and I think that the final result is one of which all villagers can be immensely proud. My work life has been spent almost entirely in the Food Manufacturing industry latterly in a variety of Board positions as Managing Director or CEO and I am now a partner in small Consultancy business offering strategic advice to the Boards of Food Businesses. I would be delighted to continue as a member of the Management Committee of BNCS helping to ensure that the Stars grows from strength to strength.

### **Phil Gardner**

Having grown up in South Oxfordshire, I have long standing family connections with the Baldons and Nuneham Courtenay. Whilst "on loan" living in Clifton Hampden, Jonny and I remain committed to involvement with the community and continue to support and use the Seven Stars as our local, aiming one day to return to the fold! With nearly 20 years in the hotel industry I currently work for InterContinental Hotels Group and previously Marriott International. As a founder member of the committee for BNCS, I was heavily involved with saving the Seven Stars and continue to be actively involved in the running of the society, for the last year being Treasurer. I would be very happy to continue to be part of shaping its ongoing success.

### **Dave Greenaway**

David Greenaway, married with two daughters. Born, raised and live in the Baldons. Hobbies and interests include countryside pursuits, dining out experiences, travel and visiting National Trust properties and Pubs. Could not imagine the village without a pub so keen to see the pub thrive and keep village input and interests at the forefront.

### **Kevin Hutchinson**

My wife Lindsey and I are delighted to be back in the community after a short period between selling our house in Nuneham Courtenay and moving to our new home in Toot Baldon. From a professional perspective I have operated as a Management Consultant for the past 20 years or so, principally around programme management and change leadership within financial services and retail. In my spare time I'm a keen amateur magician and am now looking forward to resuming regular socialising at the Stars. As a shareholder I value the positive contribution that the committee makes to Nuneham Courtenay and the Baldons; I welcome the opportunity to add my support as an active member.

### **Elizabeth Petrou**

Our family move to Marsh Baldon, coincided with the closure of the Seven Stars in 2012. We embraced the opportunity to join in and support the purchase of the pub to re-open as a community owned pub in 2013. The BNCS have clearly worked hard to establish a successful and flourishing business with a solid foundation. I would welcome the opportunity as a new committee member to make a positive contribution to the future of the Seven Stars. I am a Consultant Thoracic Surgeon at the John Radcliffe Hospital which provides me with significant experience as a member of both local and national committees. As a director of a small company I also have some knowledge of the demands of a successful business. Finally, as a shareholder and regular customer of the Seven Stars, I have a healthy interest in its future. If I were to be elected as a committee member, I would strive to support and continue the excellent work done by the committee to date.

### **Robin Timms**

I have been connected to the village for over 22 years (although some would say that I am still a newcomer!!) through my wife Emma (Maskell), since 1993 I have been involved in many areas of the village including the Baldons football team, the Cricket team, working at The Crown pub (now The Mole), Inter village challenges, Jubilee Event Committee and most recently BEC. I have two children (Poppy and Stanley) at the village school and as a family we visit the pub on a regular basis as well as attending functions at the pub and as many Friday nights as possible. Emma and I also regularly have lunch at The Stars and we are great supporters of what has happened so far and like many of the people attending the AGM we are shareholders. I have been on the committee for a year now and feel I have something to contribute to the committee, youthfulness (no offence to the people here tonight or other committee members), business acumen, organisation skills and I consider myself to have a good relationship with the pub staff and with Matt, the landlord. My professional background is finance based and I currently work for Close Brothers Merchant Bank for their Asset Finance arm, I joined Close Brothers in November 2012 after 5 years as an Asset Finance Broker running my own business and working alongside many of the countries leading lenders

### **Paul Torevell**

Born and raised in Sutton Courtenay I have lived in Toot for 5 years with my wife Emma and am actively involved, helping with village events and supporting the Community pub. I currently work for Svenska Handelsbanken at the Oxford branch and have previously worked for the Natwest/RBS group, accumulating 25 years banking experience with private clients, small and medium sized businesses with a long spell in property finance. I've also undertaken a 4 year stint in the IT industry with Siemens. I am a keen gardener, skier, sports fanatic and theatre lover....oh and tree felling

### **Fi Webster**

I am a shareholder of Baldons and Nuneham Community Society and have been a supporter of the Seven Stars venture since its inception, from preparing and painting the pub to enlisting support and maximising publicity. My family and I have since supported the pub as much as we can, attending events and encouraging those within the village and outside it to become regular customers. I feel the Seven Stars has been a great success as both a dining venue and local facility, thanks to the hard work of Matt and his team, with the backing of the committee. I would welcome the chance to contribute to its continuing success, and to support Matt and his staff. I have to declare I have work commitments which restrict my availability somewhat, but would hope to attend meetings as much as I can.