



The Foundation of St Edmund

Supporting the mission and ministry of St Edmundsbury Cathedral

TRUSTEES AND HONORARY SECRETARY

The Revd Canon Matthew Vernon (Acting Chair)



Matthew Vernon has been Canon Pastor at St Edmundsbury Cathedral since February 2009 and Sub Dean since November 2012. Prior to that he was one of the clergy at St John's Cathedral in Hong Kong, for eight years. Matthew's longer connection to Suffolk comes through his parents-in-law living in Aldeburgh, where he was married. He is the current chair of the Foundation until a new permanent Chair is appointed.

Mr Geoffrey House (Honorary Secretary)



Geoffrey House served in the RAF for 33 years and then spent 20 years as the Secretary to the Oddfellows Friendly Society in Bury St Edmunds, before retiring for a second time in 2017. He has lived in the town for 10 years and, during this time, has been deeply involved with life in the Cathedral. He has undertaken a variety of voluntary roles including: Welcomer; Guide; chairman of the Guild of Volunteers and member of the Vision and Strategy Group.



Mr Tim Allen



Tim Allen was appointed by the Bishop in 2016 to be a Lay Member of the Cathedral Chapter. His particular role as a Trustee is to act as a link between Chapter and the Foundation. From a Cambridgeshire farming family, he worked in London at the Bank of England and the Financial Services Authority. In Suffolk, he has served in several voluntary roles in the Diocese. Tim has been a member of the General Synod of the Church of England and a Lay Canon of the Cathedral.

Mr Nicholas Reid



Nick Reid is responsible for managing relationships for clients at CCLA. Nick joined Mercury Asset Management in 1988 following 12 years in the Army (Royal Green Jackets). He moved to Gerrard Vivian Gray in 1994 and then Cazenove in 1996. On being made a Partner, he became Head of Charities, leaving Cazenove in 2003. After five years away from the City pursuing other business interests, he joined first HSBC as Head of Charities in 2008 and then RBC in 2012 in the same role. Nick is Hon. Treasurer of the Hadleigh Farmer's Agricultural Association and he sings with the Hadleigh Choral Society.

Mr David Spark (Honorary Treasurer)



David Spark moved to Suffolk with his family in 2003 and has been involved with the Cathedral in both voluntary roles and as a Chorister Parent since that time. David's career has been concentrated in Banking and Wealth Management and he currently practices as a Chartered Financial Planner. He lives close to Newmarket.

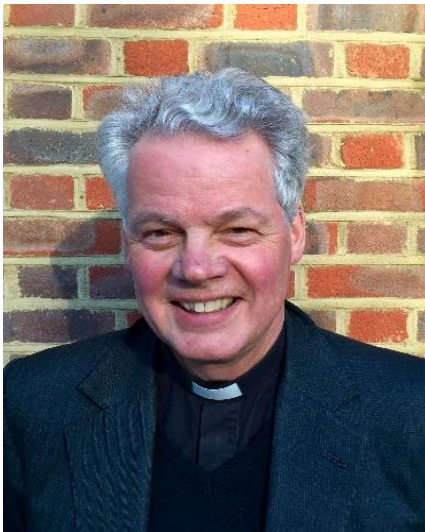
Mr George Vestey



George Vestey has lived in Thurlow, Suffolk, for thirty years and has been Church Warden of All Saints, Great Thurlow for approaching twenty years.

He has been a Deputy Lieutenant of Suffolk since 2009 and a Lay Canon since 2012. The Vestey family has farmed in Suffolk for three generations, with George running the family food business from their Head Office in Surrey.

The Revd Peter Wolton



Peter Wolton was born in Bury St. Edmunds and serves as Assistant Priest in the United Benefice of Holland Park, London. Prior to being ordained in 2014, he had a career in asset management which included five years in Tokyo in the 1990s. Peter continues to sit on the board of investment funds. He is a former Trustee of the Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) and served on the Council of Queen Mary, University of London.