Carol Somers

Biography

Born in Matfield to a farming family I have lived in this area all my life. My career started as a journalist on the Daily Express in Fleet Street followed by roles in the BBC, British Leyland, ICI, all as press officer and finally with a large PR agency — Shandwick.

After I retired from full time work to have a family, I worked locally for the Courier and the Adult Education Centre in Tunbridge Wells. I started work again after my children went to school and became the Training Organiser for the West Kent & Sussex Farmers Training Group which I have run now for 25 years.

We lived in Wadhurst for 25 years and then moved to Sissinghurst in 2017 where we live in the heart of the village opposite the Church. We are very involved in the community joining local clubs and helping with fundraising for the Church. I am a member of the U3A and Sissinghurst Flower Show society and support many social functions in the village.

Local issues are very important to me and I am keen to help Cranbrook and Sissinghurst develop and prosper by working hard on future plans and improvements in our villages to help then thrive.

I am very pleased to join the Parish Council and take on the joint editorship of the Parish Cake magazine.

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