



The Worshipful Company of Basketmakers



Peter J Allen FCSI FCMI Prime Warden 2016-17

Born in Surrey in 1949, Peter is very much a Surrey man having been born, educated and always resident in the County. He attended a state school where he was Captain of his House and Head Boy. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Securities and Investment Institute and a Fellow of the Chartered Management Institute.

Peter began his career as a trainee in a firm of Stockbrokers. In the early 1980s he joined Kleinwort Benson Investment Management, part of the Kleinwort Benson Group, as a UK Institutional Fund Manager. He became a Director some 10 years later and in 1995 was promoted to the Executive Committee. He was subsequently appointed the Deputy Managing Director and Head of Client Relationship Management for the London business which having been acquired by a German Bank was later acquired by Allianz Group.

Peter retired in 2003 and was invited to join a number of investment committees as an Independent Member. He is still a member of of these committees including a large number of pension funds and charities. He is a Trustee of the RAF Central Fund and The Reedham Children's Trust.

In the Basketmakers' Company, Peter has been Chief Steward, a long-standing member of its Finance Committee, Chairman of its Membership Committee plus other Committee responsibilities.

Peter's late wife Jenny died in 2011 after 38 years of marriage. Peter's interests are explained by his memberships which include the Royal Academy and of the Royal Opera House. Other memberships include the National Trust, RHS and Goodwood Racing. Peter's clubs are the RAC, the RAF Club, and the Bishopsgate Ward Club.