



The Worshipful Company of Lightmongers

Barbara Harding
Master 2017-2018



Barbara P Harding, Master of “The Worshipful Company of Lightmongers” from 3rd November 2017 (don’t make the mistake of asking what the “P” stands for)

Barbara was born and raised in Mansfield Nottinghamshire. Where she lived until 2 years ago when she and her husband came south to live in Stanmore. Why I hear you ask, well along with John her husband, having been involved in the City for a number of years and felt that commuting up and down was not great.

The Lightmongers are a closed company open only to those involved in the art and science of lighting. Having been heavily involved in the family business for many years she more than meets the entry criteria.

Barbara will be only the second lady Master in the Company’s history and will be the first spouse to follow her husband in becoming Master. The change from Mistress to Master gives her a lot of City knowledge.

She has a passion for helping others especially the homeless and animal charities. She has been President of Inner Wheel and is an avid fundraiser.

Her early career was in retail and spent a number of years with Marks & Spencer, whom she would say trained her well in the discipline of keeping a well ordered life and expects others to be as organised.

Hobbies include being a prolific reader, an excellent 1st Mate on their boat and spending as much time as possible in their Mallorcan home. Which has been a major renovation project.

Four children and eight grandchildren occupy what spare time she might have left.