



Master Merchant Taylor 2018/19

Mr Duncan Eggar



Duncan is a Chartered Civil Engineer. His early career included work on the construction of the National Theatre and the Thames Barrier. He then moved to the oil and gas business, spending 28 years with BP in a variety of roles from construction of North Sea platforms and aviation refuelling systems to developing corporate strategy for an oil constrained world. Travel included three years in Wellington NZ and two years in Johannesburg RSA. On leaving BP he spent five years with the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council as their Bioenergy Champion.

Duncan became a Freeman of the Merchant Taylors' Company in 1972, a member of the Livery in 1982 and was elected to the Court in 2008. He was a Governor of Merchant Taylors' School, Northwood from 2009 to 2018 and chaired the Merchant Taylors almshouse charity from 2012 to 2018; in both roles he oversaw extensive development projects.

Duncan is married to Annie. Between them they have six children and ten grandchildren. They live in Aldbury, Hertfordshire where they are enthusiastic gardeners and supporters of the local community. They share interests in the countryside, visual arts, reading and wine. They have a boat moored on the Beaulieu River that provides a peaceful escape and takes them as far as wind, tide and their feeling for adventure allows.