



Nigel Collor

Nigel was born and bred in Dover and, as a youngster, can remember seeing first-hand the devastation caused to the town during the Second World War.

Taking a keen interest in sport whilst at school in the immediate years after leaving Nigel concentrated on athletics where at the age of 17 managed to run a half mile in under two minutes. One event was held at the newly constructed cinder track at the Duke of Yorks Royal Military School.

After 10 years of working in a major international manufacturing company in Dover a change was looked for that led to 40 years working primarily within the port area in Dover dealing with passenger needs relating to both hovercraft and conventional ferry customers. At Hoverspeed Nigel was appointed to the post of Traffic Shift Manager where he was responsible for the shoreside operations from manoeuvring the giant SRN4 Mountbatten Class vessels around the site to liaising with Government Departments and hunting for misplaced baggage.

In 2000 Nigel became interested in local politics and was elected to Dover District Council where for over 18 years he held the Cabinet Portfolio for mainly Highways and Parking but that also included Licensing and the Community Team where many an hour was spent liaising with the Police, up to Chief Constable level, especially when there was widespread disturbance in the town centre that fell just short of being classed as a riot. When the sea wall collapsed at Aycliffe and the railway was disrupted for many months, Nigel made numerous journeys to Westminster lobbying Government to reinstate the line between Dover and Folkestone. Nigel was also the Chairman of the Executive body organising, with the Royal & Ancient Golf Club and many local bodies, for four Open Championships when they were held at Royal St George's in Sandwich. Then in 2023 the tough decision was made not to seek re-election to Dover District Council.

2009 saw Nigel also be elected to represent the Dover Town Division to Kent County Council where he currently remains. Apart from the Full County Council, Nigel sits on several committees including the Selection & Member Services Committee (As Chairman), the Environment & Transport Cabinet Committee (Vice Chairman), the Scrutiny Committee, the Adult Social Care Cabinet Committee, and the Conservative Advisory Group. Nigel is also a Member of the Kent & Medway Fire & Rescue Authority, not forgetting the County Council's Nominated Trustee to the Board at the Duke of York's Royal Military School.