



### **Andy Barlow**

I was born in the Isle of Man, the son of an Irish Nurse who had done her training in Douglas and an English Soldier whose family had moved to the Island at the start of World War Two.

As those with military backgrounds are aware, there were plenty of postings for our family in the early 60s and 70s and it was in 1973 that I came to the Duke of York's following in the footsteps of my father who was there from 1946 to 1951.

The School gave me stability in that I was not changing classmates every 2 years but more importantly it showed me how society had to work together for the common good. This meant individuals coming together with very different characteristics and backgrounds and in many cases becoming friends that last a lifetime.

I left the School in 1978 to complete my A levels in Trowbridge where my parents had settled and in 1980 started my career with Lloyds Bank and to date have spent over 40 years within the financial services world.

For the last 10 years I have run my own bespoke Wealth Management Business focussing mainly on Investment and Pension planning with clients spread throughout the UK.

I have been involved with the Dukies Foundation over the past 5 years as a Trustee and hopefully being able to add some independent professional expertise to the running of the portfolios.

I have a passion for the School in trying to assist in its future development in any way that I can which is why I have recently become a Trustee. I do not underestimate the challenges that lie ahead.

I have been married to Andrea for 33 years and we have 5 children now aged between 24 and 30 and all in different fields to me!

I am still an active Hockey Player both for my local club West Wilts which plays in a Masters Hockey League as well as internationally for the Ireland Over 55 International Team.