

**Graeme Dargie** 

## What's your background?

I started my career working as an economist at the Bank of England and finished as the head of banking, trust and investment regulation in Bermuda.

## Why did you join Rotary?

My father was a Rotarian in Scotland, so I was aware of Rotary from a young age. I went on a couple of Rotary youth exchanges hosted by Rotary clubs in Norway and the US and joined my local Rotaract club when I was 18. It seemed a natural step to join Rotary when I moved to Royston in 1992.

## What do you do in Rotary?

I have in the past been Secretary and then President of the club and I have also chaired the Youth Activities and International Committees. Whatever my position, I have always wanted to get involved in the many activities of the club as I firmly believe that Rotary is first and foremost a community service organisation.

## What do you enjoy most about being a member of Royston Rotary Club?

Rotary gives me the opportunity to get involved in the local community and make a real difference, whether it is encouraging young people develop the skills they will need in later life or raising money to support local charities. I was also pleased that, in my presidential year, we were able to establish a memory cafe to cater for people with dementia and their carers, which the club still runs to this day. And I do all of this and more with a great group of people, many of whom have become close friends.