

Christopher Raine

A Geordie by birth, I was educated in the North East and qualified in Medicine at Newcastle upon Tyne University. After completing my training, I was appointed to Bradford Royal in 1986. Currently, I work part-time as an ENT Consultant. I am married to Anne, and we have three children.

Through Rotary, I have participated in various projects in Thornton, such as the Valerie Binney garden, the installation of defibrillators, bulb planting and cemetery clean-ups. Recently, I have also supported fellow Rotarian Sarah Dixon with her 'at home' tea party and open house fundraisers.

While my background is in healthcare, I believe this project is about teamwork and adaptability, qualities I have honed in the NHS. Throughout my career, I have been actively involved in the administration of our professional organizations, particularly ENT UK, where I served as chair of the board of trustees and treasurer. I have also led the organization of five international meetings, the most recent of which was held at the Birmingham Conference Center in 2023.

In addition, I hold advisory roles with NHS England and NICE. I was the clinical lead for the introduction of Cochlear Implants, which enable profoundly deaf children and adults to hear. Locally, I raised funds and established the Listening for Life Centre at Bradford Royal, which supports this service. This development was made possible with the support of The Ear Trust charity, which I chair. I was honoured to receive a Queen's Honours in 2015.

My active involvement in research has made me analytical in my approach to problem-solving, an essential skill I would bring to the Brontë project. I am committed to supporting the board in any way I can, drawing on my experience from other commitments, including work in Malawi and training in other countries, which does mean I am not always in the UK but usually on WiFi!

Outside of medicine, I serve as a non-executive director in an adult training company, where I am responsible for safeguarding, among other roles. I believe that effective management is about dialogue and delivering the best solutions collaboratively.

With regards

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