Kevin Weston

Synopsis: LUPUS UK Trustee, former Chair, now Treasurer. Element Six Pension Trustee and Chair, Mold Mission Area Warden and Worship Leader. Treasurer St Michael and All Angels. Chair of Governors Bronington VA School.

LUPUS UK

- · Joined LUPUS UK and the North Wales Group in 2001, when my eldest daughter was diagnosed with Lupus.
- Treasurer of the North Wales Lupus Group 2002 2007.
- Returned from South Africa in 2010 and continued to support Lupus activities in North Wales.
- Elected Trustee LUPUS UK from September 2014.
- It was a privilege to have been elected Chair in 2015. Over the past six years the Trustees have worked together to prepare the charity for the next 25 years. We continue to support more Lupus Nurses and research. The revised constitution has allowed us to increase the number and diversity of Trustees and enriched the skills set for the future. The charity has increased the investment portfolio from £300k to £1.2m (Rathbones) prior to the pandemic. During the pandemic our staff increased from 7 to 9 to increase support for patients and our reserves increased by £600k. Furlough was not required. We were determined to maintain and grow the staff to provide patient support when many were shielding and lonely.
- I am prepared to continue for a further term as Treasurer. Working with our Trustees to support the Romford team, groups, contacts, HealthUnlocked and more importantly embracing support for our Lupus patients and their families in the UK.
- Press release:
- "During Kevin's two terms as Chair (2015 2021), he has overseen significant developments for the charity including:
- a refresh of our Constitution.
- increase in the size and diversity of our Board of Trustees.
- restructuring of our research grants programme.
- five LUPUS UK Centre of Excellence awards.
- a transition of CEOs.
- expansion of LUPUS UK's staff team.
- navigation through the COVID-19 pandemic.

Kevin has left LUPUS UK in a strong and sustainable position for growth in the future. Kevin will remain on LUPUS UK's Board of Trustees in the position of Treasurer."

Element Six DB Pension Scheme

- Retired from Element Six (DeBeers) in 2015 after 40 years working in mining and metallurgy.
 - Trustee of the Element Six Pension Scheme from 1994 and Chair since 2006. Currently we are responsible for a portfolio of £100m and 300 members. In the last five years we have increased the liability driven investment (LDI) portfolio. The majority of investments are with LGIM and Bucks Consultants provide financial guidance.

• Church

- Treasurer St Michaels Nannerch
- Mold Mission Area Warden, Worship Leader.

Schools

- Former Chair Nannerch VCP and achieved successful federation with Nercwys VAP.
- Member of action committee that saved Lixwm School from closing. Now a Church school.
- Chair of Governors Bronington VAP since September 2021.