Lion Sandra Manktelow





Nominated for position District Governor by Petersfield Lions and seconded by Fleet Lions

I joined Petersfield Lions Club in December 1993 and, three years later, was proud to be the first female President in the Club's 25th anniversary year. I have been president four times.

My career in the wider Lions community arose when I was asked to be zone chair, a position I thoroughly enjoyed. This led to becoming Lions/Brain Tumour Research Appeal Officer and then Global Service Team Coordinator. I was truly on the path when I decided to stand for the position of 2nd Vice District Governor. Since then, I have been on a huge learning curve having taken on the position of Acting District Governor. Thankfully, as well as having my two experienced mentors I also have the support of two other Past District Governors. Teamwork is all and together we can and do achieve so much.

We all go through ebbs and flows in our life. My passion for our organization was rekindled when I had more time when taking semi-retirement from teaching in 2016. What I love about Lions is that I am still able to utilize the skills that I used whilst teaching. Lions has given me a wonderful opportunity to meet people across the globe – attending development courses and conventions.

Our organization is constantly evolving but it never loses sight of the fact that Lions serve. It is up to people like us to make the world a better place and to champion our eight global causes – childhood cancer, diabetes, environment, hunger, vision, youth, humanitarian, and disaster relief.

As Acting District Governor, I have already started working with a team of Lions to develop a plan that will serve for the next few years and will involve Mission 1.5 – building membership across the district. It is not about increasing numbers but about encouraging members of the public, who share the Lions ethos, to join our organisation. Through leadership and succession planning we can ensure that our 105SC goes from strength to strength. We need leaders at clubs, district, and multiple district level so that we can continue to serve our communities at local, national, and international levels.

If elected as District Governor, I will continue to build a strong team to support all clubs in our district to the best of my ability. Cabinet is there for you. Let us be your voice.



We need to be flexible to evolve, welcome new ideas and give members the opportunity to grow.