

## Anthony Hughes



Born in 1947 in Watford, I attended a local primary school then Bushey Grammar School where, much to the concern of my parents and schoolteachers, sport rather than academic study dominated my life. Despite that, I eventually qualified as a solicitor specialising in criminal law, road traffic law and licensing law and gaming and betting licensing law before ending my career as a Judge on the Asylum and Immigration Tribunal hearing appeals from people who had applied for political asylum or had made an application under the immigration rules and whose application had been refused by the Home Office.

Like many of my age, trainspotting was my introduction to the world of railways and many Saturdays were spent in the late fifties and early sixties at Watford Junction. Sadly, the purchase of a Hornby Dublo train set was not within the reach of my parents (how I drooled over those in the local toy shop window) but this omission in my life was corrected many years later and, amongst my interests, I am a collector of Hornby Dublo locomotives and rolling stock and also fine scale O gauge locomotives and rolling stock. Railwayana is another area of collecting and interest. Interest in matters Great Western began when we moved to Christian Malford in 1986.

I have served as a trustee of an international charity and as a trustee of smaller charities and experience gained from those positions, and other positions held within more local organisations, will hopefully enable me to make a useful contribution to the board of trustees of FOSRM.