

International Federation of Environmental Health President Elect

Peter Archer

Nomination of Peter Archer for President Elect of the IFEH

Professional Experience: 42 years

Chartered Environmental Health Practitioner (FCIEH)

Member of CIEH Council and Trustee since 1979

Elected to Fellowship of CIEH in April 1983

Active member of IFEH since 1998



Summary

Peter Archer has been nominated as President Elect for the IFEH. Peter has been active member of the Federation since the World Congress in Stockholm in 1998. Since then he has chaired the European Federation of Environmental Health for four years, participated in all IFEH Council meetings and regularly presented papers at world congresses and other international meetings.

Skills and Experience

Peter qualified as an environmental health officer in 1968 having participated in the first four year diploma course. He trained in Croydon South London and subsequently worked in West Bromwich, Birmingham and Bristol. Peter spent 32 years working in local government as an EHP before moving into consultancy in 1996.

Peter specialises in regeneration projects and has undertaken many neighbourhood renewal assessments leading to the comprehensive regeneration of areas. He has extensive experience of working with communities in preparing regeneration plans and compulsory purchase orders. Whilst on secondment to the University of Birmingham, he provided regeneration advice to the New Delhi City Council in India. He is currently providing specialist regeneration and housing consultancy services to a wide range of local authorities and housing associations. For more than 20 years Peter has been a government advisor and was commissioned to draft the current housing urban renewal guidance. More recently, Peter has rewritten the government guidance on providing home adaptations for disabled people – the new UK government has yet to publish it!

Besides working independently, Peter is an Affiliate Housing Inspector for the Audit Commission undertaking housing and regeneration inspections of local authorities and housing associations. Peter holds honorary positions at the Universities of Birmingham and Bristol where he lectured in housing and public health. He chairs the St Peter's Housing Association in Saltley Birmingham, which provides a mixture of family housing and sheltered accommodation for older people and for those with learning disabilities. Peter is Chair of Care and Repair England, a national charity with the main object of helping older and disabled people to remain living independently in the community. In 2006 and 2007 Peter was a judge for the Housing and Urban Renewal themes in the awards for the World Leadership Forum held in London.

A Chartered Environmental Health Practitioner he is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health, a former Chairman of CIEH Council and a Trustee since 1979. Since 1998 Peter has represented the Chartered Institute on the Council of the International Federation of Environmental Health attending

all Council meetings with the exception of Durban. For four years Peter chaired the European Federation of Environmental Health and assisted in setting up the EFEH as an independent company with the aim of attracting funding from the European Union (yet to be achieved!) He has presented papers at world congresses and for 12 years has taken an active part on IFEH Council.

If successful in the forthcoming IFEH election, Peter would like to encourage the CIEH to play a stronger role in the International Federation. There is no doubt that given the resources of the CIEH, it could be doing more to support less wealthy environmental health organisations operating in other countries. Peter is anxious to push forward the work on climate change much of which was initiated in Brisbane in 2008. Brisbane was an enormously successful congress and we are now looking forward to meeting in Vancouver, Canada in September 2010.

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