

MARGARET OLDROYD

Margaret was born in Eltham (South East London). She has a degree in English Literature and Language from Hull University, a postgraduate qualification in Library and Information Studies and is a Chartered Librarian. She worked in colleges and universities where she managed learning resources services, ran information skills courses and delivered professional training sessions. In the second part of her career, she was involved exclusively in staff management and development and quality enhancement projects at De Montfort University (Leicester).

She is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals, has a Masters in Library Management and was particularly involved in the assessment of both professional and para-professional qualifications and Fellowship Awards as Chair of the Institute's Chartership Board. She has contributed to and edited two books about staff development in the higher education sector.



Her thirty years as a member of Soroptimist International have given her the opportunity to pursue her passion for education as the key to improving the lives of women and girls worldwide. Having been Club and Region President, she was on the Federation Management Board for eight years, serving as Federation President in 2013/14. She was on the SI Board for three years. For nearly ten years, she supported International Officers and African members in the work to form the African Federation (SIAF) which came into being in 2020. Currently, she is a member of the SIGBI Governance Committee and the Mediation Panel and is Secretary of the Nottingham Club

Margaret was a magistrate for ten years. She is a Trustee of the Archway Learning Trust and of the Nottingham Soroptimist Trust and supports the work of ActionAid and Book Aid. Reading, going to the theatre, cricket and travel are favourite hobbies.