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Barry Brooks read Electrical Engineering at Imperial College, sponsored by the Royal Navy, with whom he had a successful and varied career – submarine electrical and nuclear propulsion engineer, R&D projects, Whitehall (MOD strategy, resources and long-term planning, and Cabinet Office), pan-MOD organisational change, and, unusually for an engineer, an accountancy role.

As Commodore (Royal Navy), he was an architect of improvements to the MOD's procurement and logistic support processes and organisations, including as a founding director of the then Defence Logistics Organisation.

Since 2002, he has worked for IBM, Hitachi and his own company, Wychcote Ltd, through which he provides independent director-level support for, and assurance of, complex, high-risk, high-value, engineering, procurement and change programmes in the public sector, through the Cabinet Office Infrastructure & Projects Authority.

Since 2001, his voluntary contribution to the IET's activities has grown from IET Connect (Benevolent Fund) Local Representative, chairing various boards and Audit Committee, Deputy President, and, as President for 2013-14, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, with oversight of the major refurbishment of Savoy Place. The latter appointment involved a considerable number of public speaking engagements, meeting students, engineers, and senior figures in industry, academia and governments around the world.

He was a member of IET Nominations & Succession and IET's Fellowship Policy Committees until September 2017 and continues to serve on the IET's Transport Sector Executive and Nuclear Engineering Technical & Professional Network Committee. He is an active supporter of the IET's Horizon Bursaries scheme, the First Lego League, and other campaigns that encourage diversity and inclusivity and inspiring the next generation of engineers. He is an IET Professional Registration (CEng and IEng) and Fellowship Assessor / Interviewer.

Other voluntary activities include: Trustee of Institute of Marine Engineering Science and Technology (IMarEST); City & Guilds College Association (Imperial College's engineering alumni) (President 2004-6); organiser of Fellowship of City & Guilds of London Institute (FCGI) annual lecture-lunch at Imperial College; member of Bath University's EEE Department's Industry Advisory Board.

Barry joined the Worshipful Company of Engineers in 2004. Elected Court Assistant in 2008, he has served on Finance & General Policy, Programmes and Membership Committees, and was Co-ordinator of the £5,000 Hawley Award (Engineering Innovation that benefits the Environment) from 2008-16. Elected Junior Warden in 2016, he chaired the Programme Committee. Elected Middle Warden in 2017, he chaired the Membership Committee. Elected Senior Warden, 2018, he chaired Finance & General Policy and Muniments Committees. Barry is a Trustee of the Engineers Trust and was installed as Master Engineer on 30 April 2019

Barry and Linda live in a village near Bradford-on-Avon and have three sons and two grandchildren.