

## Jim McKean, Chairman of Allum Manor

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and all staff at Allum Manor, and also as his friend of many years, I am greatly saddened to report that Jim McKean passed away on Sunday 6th September after a short illness.

I knew Jim for over 30 years and am proud to have served as a Trustee of Allum Manor under Jim's guidance as Chairman.

Jim served on the Board of Trustees from the 1990's and with the late Arthur Jones was instrumental in building Allum Manor into a unique asset for our local community. There was no limit to his dedication to the success of Allum Manor.

A Scotsman and trained as a Civil Engineer, Jim travelled the world and lived with his wife Jean in Links Drive, Elstree, just a short walk from Allum Manor.

That was a walk which he made many times over the years; as well as remaining very much involved in day-to-day operations and active in planning future developments, Jim was also a regular member of the audience at Allum Manor Hall performances.

Jim's belief in and loyalty to Allum Manor and the community which it serves never faltered. He was determined in his duty, always honest and true to his word, and a source of inspiration to all Trustees and staff as well as a kind host to everyone who has visited Allum Manor over the years.

To say we will sorely miss him fails to do justice to the debt which we all owe to Jim McKean and his family.

Norman Shuker

For the Board of Trustees, Allum Manor

