



David McMullan RIP

We are indebted to members (officers and job seekers) of Careers Springboard who knew and worked with David during his many years with Careers Springboard, Gerrards Cross (CSGX). One of the early members of CSGX first met David McMullan in the Church Hall at St Andrews on a Monday evening in November 1992 ! David, as Church Secretary, had just made the Hall available to the three founder CSGX members who were from St James Church where the church hall was older & darker !

David was tall and impressive with an immediate presence, but he consistently put people at ease....as with most 'Springboarders'. He had been appointed as Chairperson of CSGX in 1992, a role which he held for many years. In his business career he had held a very senior position as a pharmacist of international standing and this experience was very valuable to our members seeking his advice.

From November 1992, David was to be seen welcoming all members alike, ensuring the Hall facilities were always available, offering advice, speaking in each Programme of Presentations with special insight into "Your best CV".

He was a pillar of helpfulness, wisdom and good communication right up to his death in March 2020. If he did not agree with you, David would let you know, but you would thank him! He also had a wide range of contacts and was happy to share them for the benefit of the members. David lived and breathed Careers Springboard. For the past ten years David was Honorary President of CSGX. His certificate reads : *"In grateful recognition of 20 years of continuous support and contribution to the job search service provided by Careers Springboard."*

Subsequent chairpersons, trustees and volunteers at CSGX quickly realised that many issues faced in these roles had been experienced and dealt with by David. His knowledge of the organisation and the charity sector in which we operate was extremely wide and detailed. His help was always available. David was very much a 'Go to' person with a very engaging manner. He was actively involved in many of the services we offered to our members and was able to steer them along the correct path to new jobs.

Davidian gems - both short but relevant!

- * "CV and TMAY - who you are, what you do, what you do better "
- * When making a decision - " consult all stakeholders beforehand, and all those impacted afterwards"

David was a real gentleman who will always be fondly remembered by all who knew him and worked with him at Careers Springboard.