

## **Mike Driver**

Resident in Rowlands Castle from 2016 on retirement

Discovered Rowlands Castle had a real community

Bought a 1970's house and proceeded to renovate using local builder Shaun Morris

Joined the Church in Westbourne and made friendships in that village

Joined Rowlands Castle Historical Society

Was an architect before retiring. Became CEO of the Brickwork Association lecturing on Brick. Rowlands Castle brickworks had ceased trading.

Became a supporter of St. Hubert's the Ancient Church in the Field built in 1030-1050. It has wall paintings dated 1330. There was a Roman Villa nearby and there would have been a small community in wooden built houses.

Many paths & tracks in the area along and across the Downs of the South Downs Way. Mike was attracted to Rowlands Castle as it was well served with its own GP, Vet, Cafe & stores with tennis, football and cricket to make it attractive.