

## **Pen Portrait Allan Rainford**

Allan is a member of CIPFA and has post graduate qualifications in management. He is currently the (Part Time) Treasurer of Cheshire Fire Authority. He has worked in local government for over 30 years and has held senior financial leadership roles in a number of local authorities, including Cheshire County Council and Sheffield City Council. Allan also spent a period in South Africa where he advised the City of Cape Town on implementing financial management and governance reforms.

Allan has many years' experience of supporting Audit Committees and of developing the effectiveness of the assurance and advisory role. He has had a particular emphasis on improving Members understanding of matters relating to financial statements, treasury management and wider financial governance issues.

Having been committed to public services for most of his career, Allan wants to put something back into the community following retirement from full time employment in 2017.