

Long-serving staff retire from The Royal Alfred Seafarers' Society

The maritime charity, The Royal Alfred Seafarers' Society – which provides nursing, dementia, residential and respite care to retired seafarers and others at its Banstead-based care home – is saying farewell to two of its longest-serving staff members. Collectively, they have served 95 years.



The Care Home Manager, Anne Kasey, retired in November 2020 after 37 years' service (she became Home Manager in 2005), followed by Executive Assistant to the CEO, Margaret Brazier MNM, who retires in December after 58 years. Work colleagues and friends since 1983, the two women have seen a raft of changes over their time at the charity, including two relocations of the home, the 150th anniversary of the Society and countless Royal and celebrity visits.

On her retirement, Anne said: "My time at the Royal Alfred has been really special. I have memories that will stay with me forever and will miss my colleagues and of course the residents that I have cared for over the years, all 1,300 of them! Every single one of them will hold a place in my heart and it has been a pleasure to know them all."

Margaret reflected on her time at the Society: "I have worked for The Royal Alfred since I was 16-years old and it's been the only workplace I have ever known. I feel incredibly fortunate to have found my niche with such a compassionate charity and a brilliant team. One of my proudest moments and a tremendous honour was when I received the Merchant Navy Medal in 2012, after 50 years' service to seafarers."

The Society's CEO, Commander Brian Boxall-Hunt, said: "We are sad to say goodbye to Anne and Margaret as they retire. They are two individuals who have dedicated so much not just to the Society, but the seafaring community

itself. The fact that they have both worked such long careers here at The Royal Alfred is testament to the charity we stand for.”

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