

## Sebastian Anstruther

I was brought up here and in London and took an English degree at Bristol University, where I taught Anglo-Saxon poetry for a couple of years whilst doing research. I now manage my family's Barlavington Estate based at Duncton Mill. I was an elected member and later Chairman of the Common Parish Council of Sutton & Barlavington for some years before leaving the parish and moving down the road to Duncton in 2011.

I am a Secretary of State appointed National Member of the South Downs National Park Authority, where I have served on the budget setting committee. I am currently Deputy Chair of the Governance Committee .



In 2010 I helped set up the South Downs Land Management Group to represent farmers and land managers within the National Park's boundary, and more recently I founded the Arun & Rother Rivers Trust (ARRT) as a charity to work closely with farmers and others to improve our rivers and groundwaters. I am on the Executive Committee of the Sussex Local Nature Partnership, and also sit on the Sussex Committee of the Country Land and Business Association.

I'm married with two children, who both went to St Margaret's school in Midhurst: one's now an artist and the other's a musician. I enjoy music, from opera to jazz, the visual arts and cinema, and current affairs.