

Tim and Margaret Tranquada

Let me introduce you to Tim and Margaret, who came to Milton Ernest village in 2020 and very quickly became part of the local community and village life.

Tim's background is in education and as well as being a pupil at Pilgrim School in Bedford, after University and a spell teaching at Chigwell School in Essex, he returned as a qualified teacher to Pilgrim School to teach Physics. Towards the latter part of his career, he became a National Strategy Secondary Science Consultant for the County of Essex. Tim was a Parish Councillor in Broomfield, Chelmsford for many years, with particular responsibility for the upkeep of local amenities and the environment. He has just started volunteering at Milton Ernest Primary School by assisting with the activities in the Forest School and with listening to the pupils read.



Margaret has a secretarial/administration background and her last working role was in Waste and Recycling whilst employed by Essex County Council. This increased her enthusiasm for environmental matters, which was first sparked many years ago by her keen interest in gardening. Once retired, both she and Tim were regular volunteers in Chelmsford City Council's nature reserves and at the local hospital in Broomfield, in addition to carrying out environmental work in their village.



Being a volunteer has lots of benefits.

It can bring purpose and meaning to your life, while increasing your self-esteem and wellbeing.

Volunteering can also relieve stress and alleviate symptoms of depression.

As well as having a positive impact on your community, volunteering can improve relationships.

