

**Cllr Susanne Bennett-Parkin**

I was born in Dorset and spent my early life abroad, returning to spend the last 45 years in Corfe Mullen. I am married with three children and have been a parish councillor intermittently for the last 25 years.

I ran my own interior design company, have a degree in English and one in Fine Art Valuation, am a member of the Order of St. Johns. I sit on several national charity committees. I am chairman of the Phelipps charity and a past governor of Lockyers School.

I am personally interested in the provision of affordable housing, history and the arts. I raise money for Dorset Opera and am a friend of the BSO. My private hobbies are painting and embroidery and I also enjoy cooking and entertaining.