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CAREER CHRONOLOGY

Born in Cardiff my professional experience has been largely spent in the field of industrial development and economic regeneration, specialising in new technology and innovation adoption at the Welsh Development Agency. Following the merger of the WDA I became Innovation Policy Analyst in the Welsh Assembly and then enjoyed a secondment to the Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE Wales Cymru) to assist in raising the profile of engineering in Wales, becoming a Companion member of ICE in 2007. Since 2010 I have been a freelance consultant in the field of engineering and technology history, recent work including the revising and editing *Welsh Achievements in Science, Technology and Engineering* for WAG. Currently I sit on the ICE Wales Cymru committee and represent Wales on the national Panel for Historical Engineering Works (PHEW) and co-ordinate the specialist sub-panel on chain bridges.

AREAS OF INTEREST

The study of engineering history, particularly the work of Brunel, has long been an interest and was realised in 2009 with the final volume of the *Brunel in South Wales* trilogy. Similarly, I enjoy speaking to various groups and societies and have been a guest lecturer at Swansea University and a Visiting Research Fellow at Bath University. In 2018 I spoke on; *From New York to London via Abermawr,* to the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers Annual Conference at Fredericton, New Brunswick. Since 1983 I have been a member of the Newcomen Society, for the study of the history of engineering and technology, and recently served on council. Exhibitions have included the history of the suspension bridge; *Web of Iron,* on permanent display at Canolfan Thomas Telford, Anglesey, and the Chainbridge Honey Farm near Berwick-upon-Tweed. Recent publications include (with the late Gordon Miller); *Samuel Brown and Union Chain Bridge* (2017) and a chapter in *The Engineering Revolution: How the modern world has been transformed by technology*.