

New High Sheriff will work 'for the greater good of community'

THE new High Sheriff of Essex says he is looking forward to working "for the greater good of the community".

Vincent Thompson, 64, has taken over the role from Nicholas Carrington after being installed during a ceremony held at Chelmsford. He is the 835th person to hold the position.

The office of High Sheriff is an independent, non-political royal appointment which lasts for 12 months. The holder, who is required to make a meaningful contribution to the county during their year of office, receives no expenses and there is no cost to the public purse.

Father-of two Mr Thompson, a senior practitioner in corporate finance, said: "It was a great honour to be nominated and, being born and bred in Essex and holding a great affection for the county in all its diversity, I was delighted to accept."

Mr Thompson, who lives in Little Easton, has a particular interest in the issues of the long-term unemployed and the homeless as a result of his work as a fundraiser for [Anchor House](#), a home for the rehabilitation of the homeless in Canning Town.

During his year as High Sheriff he will raise raising money for the High Sheriffs' Fund, which is managed by the Essex Community Foundation and used to support the work of voluntary and community organisations which help make their communities safe from – and reduce the fear of – crime.



HONOUR: Vincent Thompson

