

COUNCILLOR

Lawson Henry

DOB: 19 February 1953



Councillor Lawson Henry is a Member of Legislative Council and was elected during the General Election 2017. Find out more about your Councillor through his profile below:

Present Position: Member of Legislative and Executive Council. Chair of Economic Development Committee and Enterprise St Helena Board of Directors. Sits on the St Helena Fisheries Board of Directors

Year First Elected: 2013

Education: Went to school at Longwood Junior and then to Harford Senior

Career Before Entering Politics: Worked as an Apprentice at Longwood Farm. In 1973 I went to work for Pan American Airways on Ascension Island. I served 21 years in the St Helena Police Service including two tours of duty on Ascension Island as Chief of Police—I am a holder of a Police Long Service Medal. I returned to Ascension in 1998 to work as an Administration Manager for Ascension Island Services and remained working there until 2009. I serviced as a Lay Advocate on both Ascension and St Helena for ten years. I also chaired the School Governors committee on Ascension for a number of years.

Political Career: Founding member of Ascension's first ever elected Council in 2002, along with several other islanders. At that time played a key role in bringing about democratic reforms to the island. In 2005 I became the first ever councillor to represent Ascension at the Overseas Territories Council in London. I am serving my second term in Council on St Helena

Special Interests: A keen golfer—served as Captain for the Golf Clubs on both St Helena and Ascension Island on a number of occasions