

## Meet Gordon Wilson...

Gordon started out as an apprentice “bricky” and studied building construction, building science and maths at Salford University. He served 12 years as a Royal Marine Commando and was in two commando units plus undertook a Para course at 18. He emigrated to South Africa and lived there 28 years as a Project Manager. He worked for a

hotel group, building and renovating hotels across Africa including Swaziland, Botswana, Venda, Transkei and Cape Town and has also worked in Malawi. Gordon speaks Afrikaans, Soto and Zulu. On returning to the UK Gordon worked in London overlooking the Millennium Dome.



Gordon moved back to Salford in 2000 and began attending Art classes at Langworthy Cornerstone. He attended these classes regularly, but stopped when the class became a tutorless self run group. Several of Gordon’s paintings are displayed in the Cornerstone including an amazing depiction of the History of Salford from the Ice Age (pictured above). Gordon has also delivered art based activities at some of our events.

As well as art classes, Gordon has also attended creative writing, French, cooking and IT classes. He has just finished an IT for beginners course and is hoping to start a new IT class in January.

Gordon is a piano player and played in pubs from the age of 17. In around 2002 our Active Seniors group were having their Christmas party and Gordon very kindly agreed to play for the group. He has since performed at many of our events such as our open days and Bistro nights.

In approximately 2012 Gordon joined our Board and served as a valued member for 2 years.

Gordon is a Cornerstone regular and uses our Cafe to catch up, have a brew and do his crosswords.

