

## Steve Gerry

After twenty years of working in industry, I have since had almost a further twenty years' experience of working in economic development across the SW Region, principally with the private sector but also often in partnership with the public sector.

Currently operating as a freelance business and economic development consultant. For the past ten years I've been running my own business: *SG Consulting* where, since 2008, I've had an on-going contract as Secretary & Treasurer of the Plymouth Manufacturers' Group (or 'PMG'). Other recent clients include: Devon-based schools and academies; local manufacturing businesses and local public sector agencies.



Other recent positions include:

- Non-Executive Director with NHS Plymouth PCT (2007-11)
- Chairman of Guinness Hermitage Housing Association's SW Area Committee (2005-13)
- Executive Partnership Director of Plymouth 2020 LSP (2000-03)
- Senior Associate with economic development consultants Cooper Simms (2000-07). Clients included: SWRDA; SW Regional Assembly and other regional bodies.

Started my career with SWEB where I was employed for 24 years, principally as a business analyst and internal management consultant. After completing my MBA I was seconded as Business Development Manager with South West Enterprise Ltd (SWEL), a private sector economic development lobby group.

A qualified Company Secretary and member of the Institute of Economic Development.

Various voluntary roles including chair of governors at a local primary school.

Married with two sons.