



Terence Atkins (President) was born and educated in London. In his youth he was in the City of London and Eastern Society of Organists, including serving on the committee, and also played the double bass in the Forest Philharmonic. While at the Royal College of Music, he was Organ Scholar at St George's Chapel, Windsor, under Dr Sidney Campbell; his other teachers have included Dr John Birch and Dr W S Lloyd Webber. Terence is a Bachelor of Music of London University, a graduate of the Royal Schools of Music, and holds diplomas in organ playing and teaching. Terence has been Organist and Choirmaster at St John the Baptist Parish Church, Chipping Barnet since January 1976, and in 2024 was granted Emeritus status.

After many years of running successful music departments in two Hertfordshire schools, Terence now concentrates on private teaching, accompanying and examining. He has completed over 40 years as Director of the Elstree Singers (who now rehearse in Arkley!). Terence has given recitals in North America, Hong Kong and throughout the British Isles. As well as serving on the executive committee of the Hymn Society and as Vice Chairman of the Barnet & District Local History Society, Terence is a keen supporter of a number of other societies, literary, historical and transport. He does not possess a television, but is an avid radio fan, not least of the Archers.