Meet Simon Babbs, Candidate for Northfield Village Trustee

A Northfield resident for 27 years, Simon Babbs brings extensive financial expertise, analytical thinking, and leadership experience to his candidacy for Village Trustee.

Simon's master's degree in mathematics and doctorate in financial economics provided a powerful foundation for his career as a financial mathematician. His professional experience includes roles with the Bank of England, major UK banks, Bank One, a hedge fund, and a clearing house. At Bank One, he led a research team that grew to 17 people and advised on complex financial models, capital requirements, and market and credit risks. This background has equipped him with strong analytical skills and financial perspective to help Northfield navigate complex decisions and practice responsible fiscal stewardship.

Simon has also served as treasurer of St James the Less Episcopal Church in Northfield, and he contributes his skills to Friends of Toliara, an international volunteer organization supporting education and community initiatives in partnership with the Diocese of Toliara in southern Madagascar. He is currently a doctoral candidate in philosophy at Loyola University Chicago.

Having raised his son in Northfield with his wife, Sue, Simon values the village's relaxed, semi-rural atmosphere and wishes to preserve this distinctive character. As a Trustee, he would bring financial acumen, a collaborative style, and help share the Board's thinking process with residents and local businesses. The overall goal would be to focus on helping Northfield plan thoughtfully for the future to the benefit of all.