



LINKING WALES & THE SOUTH WEST  
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## SEVERN LINK MEDIA PACK DIRECTORS' PROFILES

### CHRIS MARROW CHAIRMAN

Chris holds the distinction of being one of the foremost experts in the ferry industry – including pioneer work in establishing the new inter-island ferry routes in the Orkney Isles and re-opening the long-defunct Orkney – Shetland ferry route.

Chris was trained as a Merchant Navy deck officer, apprenticed to the prestigious Port Line, before transferring to transport management where he fulfilled roles in the UK and France, including the appointment to the role of Executive Director of La Ste. Pan Europeenne de Transports.



His work as founder of a charity specialising in marine aid in under-developed countries lead Chris to become one of the leading specialists in waterways in East Africa, including the installation of car ferries on the Zambezi at the end of the Mozambique wars, running a fleet of ships on Lake Malawi and providing high level consultancy to assess the potential for revitalising shipping on Lake Tanganyika and Lake Malawi.

Chris continues to advise clients on marine, river and lake ferry shipping, mainly in the underdeveloped areas of the world, and has reformed his marine charity to assist shipping in remote places, including the Ruvuma ferry.

Chris is one of the only people in the UK with a proven track record in creating brand new ferry routes, all of which remain in operation today. As a resident of Bridgwater in England's South West and with long-standing connections in Wales, Chris' vision of Severn Link is not only to use his expertise to create a affordable ferry service which will be of equal and long-term benefit to both communities, but also to help bring both Celtic nations even closer together – celebrating their historic links and building connections for the future.

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