

# **Institution of Agricultural Engineers**

## **Branch Meritorious Award 2012**

***SIMON EDWARD COOPER***

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Simon graduated from Silsoe College with a BSc in Agricultural Engineering in 1981. He went on to work in South Africa for 5 years ('83 to '88) as an ag-engineering advisor. On his return to the UK he joined the growing Engineering Department at Harper Adams Agricultural College as a technician.

Following his move to Harper Adams, Simon became an active member of the Wrekin Branch and has served on the branch committee in one role or another since 1994. He is currently Vice Chairman of the branch, a position he has held for the at least the last 5 years. Fortunately he finds enough time to juggle a hectic family life (offering a complete taxi service for his 2 sons) with his professional commitments whilst supporting the Wrekin Branch.

Simon had published widely, both in learned journals and in the commercial sphere. He achieved Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv) status in 2004.

Simon is also an active member of the Association of Applied Biologists.

The Wrekin Branch is very appreciative of his involvement in Branch and national activities and as such wishes to record our sincere thanks to Simon. We fully support and recommend his nomination to the Institution for a Branch Meritorious Award 2013.