

The Institution of Agricultural Engineers

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Award of Merit

Graham Higginson

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Graham is a stalwart of the Institution and a great example of a career Agriculture Engineer. This is winning combination!

From a farming background in Lancashire, Graham went through college and university to become a graduate Agricultural Engineer. He has developed his career across various areas of the country passing in his expertise to the next generation through vocational courses, apprenticeships and currently at university level where he takes a keen interest in industry placements – such a vital component in developing the next generation of engineers.

A visit to Graham's office is always an educational experience with various teaching aids on show, which he uses to demonstrate the intricate details of engineering components. There is usually a queue of students seeking wise council on one matter or another. All of this a great indication of a true engineer and committed professional.

Graham values his IAgRE membership and the contacts it brings. He is a great advocate of membership and has always been keen to promote it to his students across all the organisations where he has worked.



Graham is a Fellow of the Institution, an Incorporated Engineer and a Registered Environmental Professional (REnvP), one of the first to be awarded in the UK by the Society for the Environment.

Graham likes to be at the forefront of developments, and whilst at Reaseheath College was responsible for developing the standards for the Parloursafe accreditation scheme for technicians working across the milking machinery industry. This scheme, now known as MSTA, has gone from strength to strength and is a great testament to Graham's hard work at the outset. In his current role, he is at the forefront in delivering degree level apprenticeships, another new and exciting development. That "can do" approach is a key feature of this great IAgRE member.

Graham is a great supporter of IAgRE. He sits on the Executive, the Membership Committee, the Professional Development Committee and represents IAgRE on various committees with SocEnv and as an EngC liaison officer. All of this is very good for the reputation of IAgRE as an open and supportive institution. He is keenly involved with the Wrekin Branch of IAgRE and has held various committee positions over the years. With his encouragement, students attend informative and developments technical talks.

There are few people as worthy as Graham in his commitment and support and commend his achievement of the Award of Merit.