

# Linbrooke appoints Ray Caines as Group Head of Health & Safety to lead its Safety and Sustainability Strategy

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Linbrooke Services Ltd (Linbrooke) has announced Ray Caines's appointment as Group Head of Health & Safety.

Ray joins Linbrooke with over 40 years of experience in the rail and construction sector where he started his railway career with British Rail and continued to progress in his career working for Railtrack, Network Rail and Principal Contractors. His military background and discipline serving in the Royal Fleet Auxiliary for ten years, spearheaded his career in rail. He left the Royal Fleet Auxiliary in 1984 following three tours of duty in the Falklands Conflict.

Ray has been nominated as Rail Safety Person of the Year in the Rail Staff Awards for setting up an emergency response exercise in West Midlands, triggering the arrival of 17 fire appliances, three police cars and several ambulances to the staged scene. This exercise aimed to test emergency services in the area and was supported by the Local Commander.

Joining Linbrooke, Ray said, *"I am proud to be joining the company, and I am honoured to be taking on the role of Group Head of Health & Safety for Linbrooke and look forward to the future."*

William Wilson, Linbrooke CEO said:

*"I am delighted that Ray has joined Linbrooke. In his interview, Ray demonstrated an innovative approach to Safety and Sustainability, and this is what got me excited about appointing Ray as our Safety & Sustainability lead for the business. The primary focus is on our safe working culture within the organisation; therefore, Ray's expertise is what will drive this forward with further development and implementation of our Safety & Sustainability strategy. I am looking forward to seeing Ray's approach embedding core initiatives across the group."*

Ray spends a lot of his weekends volunteering for the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (GWGC). He is part of the 'Eyes On, Hands On Project', where he surveys WW1 And WW2 headstones. Ray will report the condition to the CWGC. He will also clean the headstones when they require cleaning. Ray looks after a portfolio of 20 cemeteries/churchyards in and around Nottinghamshire, which he visits and looks after the headstones of military personnel that lost their lives in the two world wars.