

## ISLANDS AND COMMUNITY CARE

**BILL DAVISON** Born in Northumberland. he had a varied career before coming into Social Work. He initially joined the profession at Newcastle in 1964, in the Mental Welfare Section within Newcastle Health Department, working in a wide range of settings within the Social Services, including residential and day-care settings. In 1969, he moved to Sunderland, as Manager of a Day Centre, and following other moves within the department, in 1973 was appointed Assistant Director of Social Services for Sunderland, and in 1976 was appointed Senior Assistant Director (Deputy), and was subsequently responsible for a wide range of initiatives and developments in Child Care, Mental Health, Learning Difficulties and for the Physically Disabled and the Elderly.

In 1985, he was appointed Director of Social Services for the Isle of Wight.

Since that time, he has become heavily involved in international developments, and has represented the Department of Health at a number

