

## **CHAMBER BOARD WELCOMES NEW BUSINESS LEADER**

The Southampton and Fareham Chamber of Commerce has welcomed Peter Whalley from Buchanans as Treasurer and Board Director. Peter brings with him valuable experience and knowledge which will add even more depth.

Peter has been a Director of Buchanans since 2001 and of its corporate finance arm BC Capital since 2003. He advises on a wide range of business issues including strategic business issues, acquisitions and disposals, raising debt and equity finance, due diligence and independent business assessments for the providers of debt or equity finance and turnaround strategies for under performing businesses.

Peter is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, a member of the Institute's corporate finance faculty and has been awarded an Advanced Diploma in Corporate Finance. He is also a Fellow of the Association of Business Recovery Professionals.

Peter said of his appointment that,

"It is an honour to have been asked to join the Board of the Southampton and Fareham Chamber of Commerce and to act as treasurer for them. The Chamber of Commerce provides an invaluable service to businesses in this region and I am very pleased to have been given the opportunity to work with the other distinguished members of the Board".

The Southampton and Fareham Chamber of Commerce's Director General, Captain Jimmy Chestnutt said of Peter's appointment that,

"I am pleased that Peter has been able to join the Board of Directors and the Chamber of Commerce is delighted that Peter's financial experience will add to our already strong Board. Having a Treasurer of Peter's calibre helps us to provide good value to our members. With Peter joining the Board of Directors the Chamber of Commerce is very well placed within the business community to consolidate our position and grow in the coming years".