

Craig McKay

Craig McKay was installed as Master of the Company of Cutlers in Hallamshire in 2015/16

After schooling in Sheffield and the United States Craig attended Manchester Polytechnic studying a manufacturing management degree specifically aimed at the clothing industry.

During this time his father had started a business in the steel industry in Sheffield, gifting 25% of the shareholding to each of his sons on day one. By the time Craig graduated, the Polytechnic had become a University and the company Evenort Ltd, had grown into a relatively successful small business. Despite having very good offers to work elsewhere in manufacturing he was persuaded to go into the family business.

Craig has now worked for Evenort Ltd for 20 years. He became a director in 1998 and, at the suggestion of his mentor – Past Master Derrick Willingham, became a Freeman of the Cutlers' Company that same year.

Since then Craig's thinking has been heavily influenced by the Company of Cutlers, and his award winning business now operates in best practice mode with 10% of the workforce in full time apprenticeships, strong engagement with Universities via the Knowledge Transfer Partnership programme and a track record of strong investment in Advanced Manufacturing.

He is CEO of Evenort Ltd, and sits on the Industrial Advisory board of Sheffield Hallam University and on the Industrial Advisory board of the AMRC Training Centre. He is also Trustee of South Yorkshire Community Foundation, Trustee of Museums Sheffield, and Chairman of the Herbert Hughes Memorial Foundation.

He has been married to Karen for 21 years and has 3 children. His hobbies include: Most forms of cycling but especially Mountain Biking.