



Mike Whiston is originally from Walsall, UK, where he started his career in banking with what is now HSBC and then spent many years working in the financial sector for Bank of Montreal (Ontario retail and commercial operations; Government banking), and Global Payments (VP, Sales). At Global Payments, Mike developed an electronic tax filing system now used by all Canadian banks. From 1999-2002 he worked for Magnet Communications, the first internet business banking software supplier to banks. Since 2002, Mike has operated AOC Consulting helping develop business and new services in the financial technology space.

Mike has a long history of board positions, serving on the Treasury Management Association of Canada board (1991-1996, 2000-2006, as President 2004-6); and as Executive Director (2006-2008). In 2003 he was founding director of Habitat for Humanity Durham Inc. serving on the board until 2014. Since 2010 he has also served on the Uxbridge Tourism Advisory Committee, currently as Chair and on the Uxbridge Economic Development Committee. Mike has served on the Central Counties Board since 2018.

Mike and his wife, Jo, owned and operated Lavender Cottage B&B in Uxbridge from 2005-2017, before retiring and downsizing. A keen high handicap golfer since retiring, he has worked at three top golf courses in the Uxbridge area - Coppinwood, Wooden Sticks and Royal Ashburn.