

Professor Anthony Berry; BSc (Eng). M.Phil. PhD, DIC

Born in 1939. Tony Berry did a five year engineering apprenticeship with Bristol Aeroplane Co., during which he gained a BSc(Eng). Following a period as a (very junior) member of the Concorde design team he did an MPhil at Imperial College, then spent four years in the USA working as an aerodynamicist with Boeing while completing two thirds of an MBA at night school.

Having found the study of management and control to be compelling he joined the first cohort of PhD students at Manchester Business School, completing a thesis on Control of Capital Investment. This was followed by a developing research interest on control, including work on investment, supply chains and risk. He has published in a wide range of national and international academic journals. Tony was a founder member of the Management Control Association which he has served as chair and a member of the organising group for its triennial international conferences. With Jane Broadbent and David Otley he edited several books on Management Control and major review article in 1995 and again with Harris, Otley and Coad in 2009.

Tony was involved in the control research project on the Coal industry conducted at the time of major industrial change and the strikes in the early 1980s. He was also involved in the series of case studies conducted by members of the Management Control Association, publishing several papers including with Otley a review paper on case study research. He has also published on the organisation of nursing care, risk in budgeting, risk and control and Control and Accountability in a church as an example of a value centred organisation.

At Manchester Business School he supervised many masters' dissertations and doctorates. In 1995 he was appointed to a chair in Management Control at Sheffield Hallam where the accounting research group scored very well in the 2000 RAE. After "retiring" in 2000 he continued part time at Hallam and joined Manchester Metropolitan University Business School on a part time basis for nine years. He contributed to research development at MMU where the Business School improved its RAE ranking in 2008.

He has had a wide interest in teaching and education. He managed MBA programmes, the Doctoral programmes and many management programmes. He taught Management accounting and control, a course on Policy, Leadership and Control, Management Consultancy and supervised many students' and managers' projects. He also directed the International Teachers Programme. He has been a consultant to many commercial and charitable organisations.

Other interests have included serving on the council of the British Academy of Management and also of Management Education and Development. He was editor of the Journal Management Education and Development (now Management Learning) and later for eleven years edited the Leadership and Organisational Development Journal. He and also served on the Council of The Tavistock Institute

and the Councils of several charities. He has been a member of the General Synod of the Church of England for fifteen years.