

# **SNIPEF appoint Dalkeith plumber as new president**

**The industry body, The Scotland and Northern Ireland Plumbing Employers' Federation, (SNIPEF) have appointed Robin Hall from Dalkeith as their new president.**



Mr Hall owns RD Hall Plumbing and Heating Engineers and took over the role at the AGM on 21 May 2021. He has been involved at all levels with the organisation and runs a business established in 1994 which employs three people.

He said: “After an unprecedented year in which Neil Hadden and SNIPEF Chief Executive Fiona Hodgson steered the profession through uncharted waters, I believe I am taking on the role at a time in which we can be slightly more optimistic.

“There is no question that the sector suffered greatly over the COVID year, when only emergency work could be undertaken.

The effect on employment, training and apprenticeships was severe, but I think that we are now getting back on track.

“The fact remains that Scotland and Northern Ireland are short of skilled, qualified plumbers and heating technicians, whose expertise will be vital as the country aims for the energy efficiency targets necessary for the transition to a net zero economy.”

SNIPeF has been at the forefront of innovation in training and skills to ensure a vibrant and dynamic industry staffed by professionals versed in the complexity of the technologies which are underpinning renewables and meeting the demand for clean energy in an age of climate change.

George Baxter is now Vice-President.

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