Roger Whorrod graduated from The University of Bath in 1965 with a degree in electrical engineering followed by Masters Degree also in electrical engineering. After graduation his early career was in electrical power generation. In 1972/3 he attended Warwick Business School and was awarded an MBA. He then spent several years working for Imperial Continental Gas Association, a city holding company with extensive investments in energy businesses across Europe, and Tube Investments, a large manufacturing conglomerate.

In 1980 he became an entrepreneur and in the following twenty five years he set up, grew and subsequently sold three manufacturing businesses. During this period he was able to engage in the activities he most enjoys, those of profitably developing, manufacturing and marketing engineered products.

Having retired in 2005 he found full time retirement difficult and is back in business as Chairman of The Oxalis Group, a new start-up company, which is engaged in intrinsically safe lighting and instrumentation for use in explosive environments.

He also provides financial support for and acts as a mentor to a young couple who set up and now run a successful Michelin starred restaurant. In this role he is able to combine his interests in food and business.

He has recently become a member of a voluntary team helping entrepreneurs and local communities to develop rural businesses and community enterprises in South Warwickshire.

In February of each year he gives a lecture in entrepreneurship to third year engineering students.