

KEVIN KELLY
General Manager

A native of Manchester, England, Kevin began his hospitality career as a Chef and has worked for Marriott International for 13 years in various positions and locations. Schooled at St Paul's RC in Urmston before attending South Trafford and later University College in Salford, Kevin is proud of his association with this part of the country.

With a diverse background, spanning locations such as The Cottons in Knutsford, Kevin has also worked for Manchester United and the Lancashire County Cricket Club before becoming General Manager at the age of 26 for Shire Hotels in Lancashire. However it was at the London Marriott Grosvenor Square where Kevin found his true vocation for 5 star hospitality, leading the business through an extensive refurbishment and repositioning and integrating Gordon Ramsay's food & beverage operations into the hotel. Marriott's flagship London property has 237 bedrooms, some of the capital's largest banquet facilities and 2 Gordon Ramsay restaurants – Michelin-starred maze, serving French cuisine with Asian influences in tasting-sized dishes, influenced by Executive Chef Jason Atherton's time at El Bulli in Spain; and maze Grill, based on the informal style of New York's grill restaurants.

Kevin comments "It has been a great pleasure working alongside Gordon Ramsay at two of his busiest and most successful restaurants. Spearheading the hotel's repositioning has been a great challenge, however the results speak for themselves and we are now going from strength to strength."

Kevin lives in London with his wife and 4 children and maintains his links with Manchester through family and friends residing in the area. He is particularly delighted to see the thriving hotel market in existence in Manchester today.

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