

## Trustees Bio's

### Re-election of Board of Trustees

#### **Delyth Lloyd-Evans**

Delyth has been the chair at VANS since 2017. She has extensive Board level experience in the Private and Public Sector and is a strategic leader specialising in performance improvement, transformational change, and business coaching. She brings a care and commercial approach and addresses issues with integrity, business focus and respect. Her passion is to enable individuals and organisations to deliver high quality services, add value to the business; social value to the community and deliver creative and sustainable improvements.



Currently she Chairs Voluntary Action North Somerset (VANS) and is Chair of a Social Enterprise in Somerset providing Learning Disability services. She owns three successful businesses in Property Development, Strategic leadership/coaching, and an established and growing Café-Bar. She is Deputy Chair of a Safeguarding Board, and Non-Executive of a Housing Association and their Commercial Development Company and is a Trustee of a local charity.

#### **Neil Salter FCCA**

Although now retired, Neil has considerable commercial experience having spent over 20 years in senior management roles driving forward business change within top level business environments. A qualified Accountant, he is an excellent communicator with a can-do approach to problem solving and resolution.



Neil brings to VANS over 40 years' experience of volunteering, principally supporting young people. He has had a variety of different roles including Lead Volunteer (Chief Executive level) for a major south west youth charity (11,500 youth members supported by 3,600 volunteers) where during his tenure key achievements included; increasing youth membership by 25% and delivery of major organisational change resulting in improved support to front line teams. He has retained his connection with the charity and is currently Chairman of the Board of Trustees with responsibility for ensuring that the Charity provides high quality, safe and educational experiences for young people.

## Election to Board of Trustees

### Liam Sweeney

I'm a huge supporter of the work that community infrastructure organisations do, (having worked with many across the UK) and being from North Somerset have always kept an eye on VANS and the work that they do. Part of my wish to become a VANS

trustee is that I hope to contribute towards their work in improving the outcomes of local organisations and volunteering opportunities across the area and to ensure North Somerset has a vibrant, thriving and impactful VCSE sector.



I aim to support VANS with my expertise in three primary areas: Service design, Digital and collaboration. By embedding the principles and learning gained across these areas within the strategy and delivery of VANS, I hope to build upon what the organisation already does well. More and more services/programmes are becoming digital, and collaboration within the sector has never been more important so these will be key areas of focus for me in ensuring VANS is showcasing best practice both within North Somerset and nationally among community infrastructure organisations. My approach to this will be (and has always been) to think 'could we be doing this better or more effectively', and 'have we ensured the needs of all beneficiaries are represented in our decision-making making'.

### Lynda Bowen

Lynda is a qualified social worker, who retired after a 40-year career in social care as Chief Officer in a Local Authority.

Lynda has 20 years non-executive director experience in social housing, including chairing a large housing organisation, and private landlord local representative for National Residential Landlords Association. Lynda currently Chairs a local government pension board, and is a member of a charity pension board. She has extensive governance and management of change experience in the statutory and voluntary sectors.

