

## Specialisms

- **voluntary and community sector funding:** forward planning, identifying appropriate income sources, working with key people to develop detailed forward plans and bids.
- **project and organisational management and development:** turning ideas into realistic and deliverable plans, setting up effective project management systems and processes, supporting trustees.
- **project evaluation and research:** assessing impact and outcomes, identifying future needs, learning from others.

## Geographical area covered

South Yorkshire / Yorkshire and East Midlands preferred – but roles involving remote working can be further from my base in Sheffield.

## Work experience

I have over twenty-five years' experience of organisational and project management in the community and voluntary sector. My last employed role was as Director of the South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau, a local infrastructure organisation. Prior to this I held various roles - mainly focused on project development, management and funding - in a range of organisations including housing co-operatives and tenant organisations, youth work, local environmental organisations and community enterprises.

I have been working as a freelance consultant since 2005 delivering a range of services to voluntary sector organisations – recent examples are:

- Developing forward plans, responding to tender opportunities, identifying funding sources and supporting managers to write bids and applications for several local voluntary sector service providers.
- Delivering a project evaluation for a lottery funded Eating Disorders project in South Yorkshire.
- Working as an Associate for Voluntary Action Sheffield to deliver an organisational Policy Review for a community centre in Goole, East Yorkshire.
- Facilitating Away Days for several local voluntary sector organisations.
- Delivering Governance training to trustees of a local mental health charity in Rotherham.
- Strategic Planning training day for health focused VCS groups in Calderdale.
- Supporting lone managers in small charities to implement organisational change and develop sustainable forward funding strategies.

## Qualifications

MSc in Information Management, BA (hons) Communication Studies and Diploma in plain English writing.