

## **Community Engagement PDG Members Biographies**

**Ms Karen Bellamy Development Manager Psychiatric System Survivors Together (PSS Together)**

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**Mrs Tina Bishop; RN Dip N (Ion), BSc (Hons), MA**

**Non Medical Prescribing Lead and Senior lecturer  
Anglia Ruskin University, Chelmsford Essex.**

Mrs Bishop is the lead for teaching and developing Non-Medical prescribing programmes at Anglia Ruskin University. Tina background is in primary health care and she has worked in family planning services and well women's clinics. Tina worked as a Practice Nurse since the mid 80s where she developed a special interest in chronic disease management and health promotion. She undertakes regular clinical practice. Her clinical interest includes Women's health and wound care. Tina has been involved in NHS Direct projects and her current role includes working with trusts and service providers in developing new programmes to support practice. She is a member of the editorial board of the Practice Nurse journal and also serves on the committee of the Royal College Nurses Practice Nurse Association.

**Dame Yve Buckland; (D.B.E.) BA (Hons).M.Arch.DMS.Hon, MFPHM**

**Chair of the Board NHS Institute for Innovation and Improvement**

Dame Yve Buckland was appointed Chair of the NHS Institute for Innovation and Improvement from its inception on 1 July 2005. Prior to this appointment she was Chair of the Health Development Agency (DoH 2000-2005) following her Chairmanship at the Health Education Authority since 1997. Yve was also until recently Vice-Chair of the South Warwickshire Primary Care Trust. Between 2003 and 2005 Yve was Programme Director of the University of the Warwick Health Service Partnership at the Institute of Governance and Public Management, Warwick Business School.

Yve is an Honorary Member of the Faculty of Public Health Medicine and a Senior Associate Fellow of the Warwick Institute of Public Governance, also a fellow of the RSA. She was awarded the DBE in HM Birthday Honours List June 2003 for services to Public Health. Yve is also currently Chair of the National Consumer Council for Water.

**Mr Jez Buffin; MA, LLB, CQSW, DMS**

**Principal Lecturer, Centre For Ethnicity and Health  
University of Central Lancashire**

Mr Buffin is a Principal Lecturer/Operations Manager at the Centre for Ethnicity and Health and has been central to the development of the Centre's work around engaging with BME and marginalised communities. He has project managed a wide range of Community Engagement programmes, including the Department of Health's Black and minority ethnic drugs misuse needs assessment project and the NIMHE Black and minority ethnic mental health programme. Jez has established a national network of seldom heard groups in partnership with the Healthcare Commission. Prior to joining the University he worked in a range of statutory and voluntary sector agencies in the fields of housing, mental health and substance misuse.

## **Dr Paul Burton**

### **Senior Lecturer & Head of the School of Policy Studies University of Bristol**

Dr Burton has worked at the University of Bristol for over 25 years, initially at the School for Advanced Urban Studies and latterly at the School for Policy Studies, which he now heads. He has carried out research on a wide range of topics including homelessness and unemployment among young people, living conditions in European cities, anti-racism and equal opportunities policies and the links between housing and community care. Paul has a long standing interest in the principles and practice of public participation in policy making and public service planning and recently chaired the Bristol Democracy Commission, which examined the state of local democracy in his home city. He is also interested in the links between policy making and research and continues to teach on postgraduate programmes in policy studies and policy research. He is a trustee and company secretary of Support Against Racist Incidents (SARI), a Bristol charity that provides support to victims of racial violence and was a board member of Choices for Bristol, a community visioning initiative.

## **Ms Lindsey Colbourne**

### **Commissioner Sustainable Development Commission**

Ms Colbourne is the Chair of the Engagement Steering Group of the UK Sustainable Development Commission, the Government's independent watchdog, reporting to the Prime Minister and the First Ministers of Scotland and Wales. Through advocacy, advice and appraisal, the SDC puts sustainable development at the core of Government policy. She is internationally recognised for her pioneering work over the last 14 years in developing and applying techniques for involving a wide range of individuals, communities and organisations in sustainable development - often in situations of conflict. Lindsey runs her own community involvement and conflict resolution business, and has been developing the use of participatory approaches to decision making through her roles as a founding board member of Involve, a partner in InterAct Networks and Co-ordinator of InterAct. These initiatives are designed to support thinking and practice for democratic renewal, social inclusion, sustainable development and a vibrant civil society.

## **CHAIR ~ Ms Anna Coote**

### **Head of Patient and Public Involvement Healthcare Commission**

Ms Coote joined the Healthcare Commission in 2005 to lead its work on patient and public involvement. She was formerly Director of Health Policy at the King's Fund, Deputy Director of the Institute for Public Policy Research, adviser to the Minister for Women, a Senior Lecturer in Media and Communications at Goldsmiths College, London University; a producer and editor of current affairs and documentaries for Channel Four TV, Deputy Editor of the New Statesman, and a journalist and broadcaster. Anna is a member of the UK Sustainable Development Commission. She has published widely on health, social policy, public involvement and gender issues. Her most recent publications include Finding out What Works King's Fund 2004), Prevention Rather Than Cure (King's Fund 2004), Health in the News(King's Fund 2003)and Claiming the Health Dividend (King's Fund 2002).

## **Professor Chris Drinkwater; CBE, FRCGP, FFPH**

### **Emeritus Professor of Primary Care Development, Northumbria University**

Professor Drinkwater is Emeritus Professor of Primary Care Development, Northumbria University. He is also the public health lead for the NHS Alliance and is a member of the National Executive Team. He has a longstanding interest in community development and community engagement through development of a healthy living centre in Newcastle upon Tyne. Chris is the Royal College of General Practitioners' representative on the group.

## **Dr Walid El Ansari**

### **Professor of Public Health University of Gloucestershire, UK**

Professor El Ansari joined the University of Gloucestershire in 2006, heading up Public Health at the Faculty of Sport, Health & Social Care. He has carried out research on a wide range of topics including community alliances and partnerships, community engagement, multi-stakeholder joint working, public participation, and interagency collaboration.

Walid has a long standing interest in the principles and practice of patient and public participation in policy and service reforms. As an invited member of the Network of Innovators, Observatory on Chronic Conditions, World Health Organisation Headquarters (WHO), Geneva, he brought his work to bear on patient participation in chronic disease management. He has been a regular advisor to the WHO on partnership and community-health services issues and has co-authored 2 books commissioned by WHO on patient participation in HIV/AIDS and TB management. His work on the costs and benefits of public participation is one of the very few published references on the topic. Walid has held appointments in the USA, Egypt, South Africa, Malawi and the USA where he was a visiting scholar with the School of Public Health at UCLA. He initiated the Post Graduate Programme in Public Health at Oxford Brookes University, Oxford in 1999 and led it for several years before accepting the post of Professor of Family Health at Newham University Hospital NHS Trust, London. He continues to teach on a range of postgraduate programmes in Public Health across the UK. Professor El Ansari was also an invited member of the Public Participation National Advisory board of the UK Charity INVOLVE in formulating the costs of public participation, and also a member of the Care Services Improvement partnership (CSIP), the DoH's national organisation for leadership development. Walid reviews research proposals for a number of national and international funding bodies and is interested in the links between peoples' participation and policy formulation.

## **Ms Frances Fakes; BSc, MSc**

### **Offley Women's Institute**

Ms Fakes is a member of Offley Women's Institute; who involve themselves in social issues and health problems. She is active in community affairs and actively involves members to petition for improvements - e.g. AIDS suffers and carers; and access to basic services. She worked with representatives in MIND as a member of the Wheathampstead Community Group. Frances has also been a School Governor of a nursery school in Aldenham, and Chair of School Governors of a primary school in Wheathampstead and later, also Chair of Governors in Offley ; Her drive & determination started many years ago when she worked with a group of West Indians in a factory to investigate their very high injury rates and find ways of changing working practices (Cox of Watford Ltd).

**Mr Liam Hughes; MA, MSc (Econ) MBA**

**National Adviser for Healthy Communities IDeA**

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**Ms Amanda Inverarity; BA (Hons), MA**

**Director The Community Development Exchange**

Ms Inverarity was appointed CDX Director June 2003 having previously worked at CDX (then SCCD) as Network Development Officer until 2001. Over last 10 years or so Amanda has worked as a CD practitioner on a wide variety of issues (including housing, regeneration, parenting, sexual health and young people, arts etc), across all sectors and in both urban and rural locations. Her last post prior to CDX was as CD Manager for a Neighbourhood Management pilot in Greater Manchester where she also based her research on social capital and mental Health as part of an MA on Health and CD.

**Dr Anne Scoular; MB ChB, MFPH, MRCP(UK), FRCP(Glas), MPH, MSc, DLSHTM, MRCGP, DRCOG, DCH, DFFP**

**Clinical Research Fellow MRC Social and Public Health Services Unit**

Dr Scoular is a Clinical Research Fellow, currently on secondment to the Unit from NHS Greater Glasgow, where she is a Specialist Registrar in Public Health. She graduated in medicine from the University of Glasgow in 1978, trained initially in general practice and in general medicine, before specialising in HIV and Genitourinary Medicine in London and Glasgow. Anne was a Consultant Genitourinary Physician in Glasgow from 1992-2002. Anne developed her interest in community engagement as a sexual health specialist, working with street-based and indoor sex workers in central London and with gay men in Glasgow. She is currently working on several evaluations of the health impact of social interventions, one of which includes a major community engagement component. In addition to her current academic activities, she remains active in sexual health research.

**Ms Razia Shariff**

**Member of the National Community Forum Director of Wandsworth Community Empowerment Network**

Ms Shariff is a member of the National Community Forum, a sounding board and ambassador for the Department of Communities and Local Government. She is currently the Director of Wandsworth CEN which is the only CEN which is a registered Charity and funded independently of neighbourhood renewal. She has worked for the voluntary and community sector for nearly 15 years in the UK and Bangladesh. In Bangladesh she learnt of alternative models to promote health in deprived communities and ensure that civil society was involved in how local health care provision was delivered. In the UK from working for a local authority in the Community Development Unit she developed policy to ensure access and support mechanisms were established for engaging communities. As a freelance consultant she worked with voluntary groups to support their work in profiling their community's needs and advocating on their behalf.

**Dr Amanda Sowden; PhD**

**Associate Director/Reviews Manager Centre  
for Reviews and Dissemination**

Dr Sowden is Associate Director at The Centre for Reviews and Dissemination (CRD), University of York, UK. CRD aims to provide research-based information about the effects of interventions used in health and social care. Amanda joined CRD in 1993 and since that time much of her work has focused on the use of evidence synthesis to evaluate the effects of complex public health interventions and on models of behaviour change such as Stages of Change. Current work includes the evaluation of population tobacco control policies and their effects on social inequalities in health with colleagues in Glasgow and Liverpool. She is a member of The Quality Assurance Board for The Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) and is a Steering Group member of The Campbell Collaboration.

**Ms Gerry Stone**

**Community Governance Officer  
Salford Local Government**

Ms Stone is a Community Governance Officer with Salford Local strategic Partnership. The role of governance office is to increase the capacity and commitment for improved community involvement in decision making within the Partners IN Salford framework along with her colleges. Gerry is Vice Chair of a regeneration partnership Chair of the Seedley and Langworthy Trust, a community trust that was set up in 1997 to develop effective links between people who live and work in the Seedley and Langworthy area and partners in the public, private and voluntary sectors. Gerry is also on the board of Langworthy Cornerstone which is a community managed health and wellbeing centre. Gerry worked on the Social Action Research Project (SARP) which was a three year Health Development Agency funded project looking at Social Capital within communities her present role and Salford's Commitment to community engagement is a direct result of SARP. Gerry is at present leading on how a Community Land Trust can be developed.

**Mr Patrick Vernon; BA Hons, LLM**

**Director of Every Generation Media Ltd (Independent Management Consultant)  
Every Generation Media**

Mr Vernon is the Director of Every Generation Media ([www.everygeneration.co.uk](http://www.everygeneration.co.uk)) and a local Councillor for the London Borough of Hackney where he Chairs Health Scrutiny. He is former Chair of Westminster Partnership for Race Equality where he played a key role in supporting the Muslim community and working with the Police and Council as part of 7/7. He has successfully established a leading social enterprise in the cultural and creative industries (winner of CRE Race in the Media Awards in 2003 and runner up in 2005 and 2006).Patrick's track record has been working in the field of health inequalities, regeneration and community engagement as a senior manager for MIND,NHS and the Department of Health.

## **Mr Harry Wade; MA**

### **Active Involvement Team Manager The National Youth Agency**

Mr Wade manages a team of 20 adults and young people at The National Youth Agency that works to promote good practice in the active community involvement of children and young people. He is co-author of the 'Hear by Right Standards Framework', published in 2005, which enables organisations to map and benchmark their current evidence of children and young people's participation and create a strategic plan for improvement. The Active Involvement Team has also developed the participation outcomes tool 'What's Changed', which records evidence of community engagement and evidence of resulting change.

## **Ms Alice Wilcock**

### **Co-Director of Policy and Research Community Development Foundation (CDF)**

Ms Wilcock is the Co-Director, Policy and Research for the CDF. CDF helps communities achieve greater control over the conditions and decisions affecting their lives by: advising government, supporting community work, and carrying out research, evaluation and policy analysis. CDF is a non-departmental public body of the Department for Communities and Local Government. Alice is very committed to the principle of community development approaches to health, having seen at first hand in her locality the complexity of health issues and how key it is to engage local communities in identification and resolution of health issues.

## **Ms Winnie Williams**

### **Community Health Development Assistant KC-PCT Community Partnership & Health Improvement Team**

Ms Williams is a professional fitness instructor and currently runs exercise classes for women from BME communities. She is an adaptable and enthusiastic multilingual early years practitioner, with a flare for integrating and promoting creative diversity through learning and has founded and co-ordinated a voluntary community arts organization. She has developed and managed African arts and crafts programmes for BME children and families. She is a school governor and a member of various management boards. Recently she has taken up a new post of Community Health Development Assistant with Kensington and Chelsea PCT'. Working face to face with local communities, determining their health priorities, creatively encouraging their active involvement in setting up health promotion initiatives and signposting them to local services are Winnie's goals at the moment.

## **Mr Maurice Wilson; M.Ed., B.A.(Hons), A.L.A., A.L.C.M.**

### **Healthy Community Collaborative Improvement Foundation**

Mr Wilson has been an active community member, instrumental in developing and implementing programmes and strategies to empower his local community to improve health status and decrease health inequalities. This is in relation to two programmes promoted by the National Primary Care Development Team for reducing falls in older people and reducing the incidence of obesity and heart disease through promoting healthy eating. Maurice has worked in partnership with professional agencies and industries to address various health issues. Maurice has a background in further and higher education and has given several presentations on Community Engagement at various conferences and events.