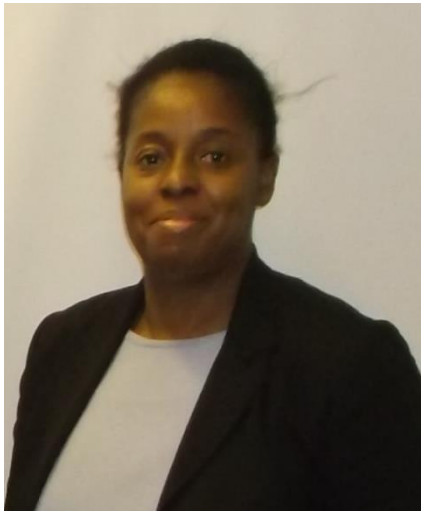




Lesley Donnelly (Chair) has been involved with Sandwell Advocacy since June 2009. Family members were the recipients of support from Sandwell Advocacy and it was after this experience that Lesley was invited to join Sandwell Advocacy Management Committee, initially as a trustee and later she was elected to the position of Chair.

Lesley was employed for many years in the training industry, adult education, and the field of complementary therapies. She is committed to the continuation and progression of an organisation that supports people at the most vulnerable periods of their lives.

Lesley Donnelly



Patricia Golding joined our management committee in July 2009.

Patricia Golding



Geraldine Brown has been a Trustee at Sandwell Advocacy since January 2012 and has a range of work related experience working with marginalised and vulnerable individuals, families and communities.

Geraldine Brown



Gurdeep Hanspaul

Gurdeep Hanspaul joined Sandwell Advocacy as a Trustee in November 2020. She has been volunteering for the Sandwell Together project since almost the start of the pandemic since May 2020 and so has an understanding of issues that older adults are experiencing due to loneliness and isolation. She has worked in the voluntary sector for most of her career, managing various projects that support those who are vulnerable, including pregnant women; victims of crime; unemployment for the NEET group, amongst others. Gurdeep has a keen interest in Safeguarding as well as listening to the experiences of service users across a range of services.



Carmen Tulloch

Carmen Tulloch joined our management committee in January 2021. Carmen is currently a student studying Working for Children, Young People and Families at Birmingham City University. Carmen grew up as a young carer and has been volunteering for our Advocacy for Young Carers project since 2013.



Leah Haynes

Leah Haynes was appointed as a Trustee in March 2022. Leah has worked in grant making since 2005 in different spheres, serving a range of beneficiaries in need and organisations helping those less fortunate than others. Leah has an entrepreneurial spirit, she grew up as a young carer and has a passion to break down barriers young carers face.



Yvonne Murray

Yvonne Murray joined Sandwell Advocacy as a Trustee in June 2023. Yvonne is an experienced HR Practitioner who currently works as Group HR Director for an organisation which supports people with learning disabilities, autism and complex mental health conditions in either a community, hospital or educational setting. She has previously worked in the private, state and voluntary sectors.

Yvonne is person-centred, collaborative and committed to upholding the highest standards of fairness and integrity. She is passionate about promoting wellbeing, social mobility, equality and inclusion and feels that these strengths will complement the diversity of the Sandwell Advocacy Management Committee.