

Bedlington Place Programme Board Member Pen Portrait



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I live locally (Stakeford) and have worked in and around Northumberland, for all of my working life, mainly in the third sector at senior management level. This has included Blyth and Cramlington Children's Centres, Pegswood Community Hub, Blyth Resource and Initiative Centre, The Alnwick Garden and then onto Britishvolt, where I have my current role as Managing Director of BV FutureGen Foundation.

I also worked for Northumberland County Council in managing their Family Learning Service. All of my roles have entailed working with deprived communities and those in marginal groups in empowering them to shape their own future and that of their children to better their lives and break the cycles of generational worklessness, benefit welfare reliance and lack of aspirations.

My current role entails ensuring that communities are as best prepared as possible for the growth of green/ STEM sector employment and ensuring that local people have the chance to gain the necessary skills needed for upcoming opportunities.