

## **Blyth Town Board**

### **Board Member Pen Portrait**



**Dale Cartie**

#### **Community Development/ Deputy Manager - Buffalo Community Centre**

A lifelong resident, born in Blyth, I attended youth services in the town from my earliest memories. From a family of generational youth workers, I followed in their footsteps and now have 15 years' experience working in the community sector, all of which has been in Blyth. My role has evolved over the years, and I'm now proud to be part of the management team at the Buffalo Community Centre, an organisation dedicated to supporting the lives of those in the area, encouraging them with confidence, self-esteem, skills, and motivation to become successful members of the community and lead fulfilling lives. Day-to-day activities range from litter picking with toddlers to art groups for the over-50s. My main strength is in fundraising, IT and writing, in the interests of financial support to keep the charity sustainable.

My motivation is rooted in my love for the town and its dynamic people. I know this town has a lot to offer, and I believe my career so far will allow me a voice to help push it in the direction it needs. I am also a panel member for the Heart of Blyth project.

My skill set includes qualifications from Sunderland University, Northumberland, and North Tyneside College.