

Specialisms

- **voluntary and community sector funding and finance:** forward planning, identifying appropriate income sources, working with key people to develop detailed funding plans and bids.
- **project management and development:** turning ideas into realistic and deliverable project plans, setting up effective project management systems and processes, developing your project management skills.
- **project evaluation and research:** assessing impact and outcomes, identifying future needs, learning from others.
- **information management:** reviewing and designing monitoring systems, analysing data, information and work flows, designing processes to get the right information to the right people at the right time and in the right format(s).

Geographical area covered

England – subject to practical travel arrangements 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:

- The design and implementation of contract management and monitoring systems for a VCS infrastructure consortium in Essex - ESTIC
- The delivery of Business Planning away days for several networks and partnerships of voluntary organisations in West Yorkshire.
- Developing a successful four way partnership bid and Business Plan for Lottery BASIS funding for a South Yorkshire Community Accountancy Service.
- Developing and managing new content for a small national voluntary sector funding information charity website.

Qualifications

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