

## **Menai Owen-Jones**

### **About me**

- Dedicated volunteer, passionate about the voluntary sector and creating a fairer, greener and stronger Wales.
- Raised in North Wales and fluent Welsh speaker.
- Lived experience of being part of a minoritised community (LGBTQ+) and actively working to challenge inequalities and promoting diversity and inclusion.
- Award-winning CEO of The Pituitary Foundation, establishing the charity as leading in its field worldwide.
- Broad experience of charities, from small impactful organisations through to large household names. Worked throughout Wales and across the UK for charities including Breast Cancer Care, RNID Cymru, Ty Gobaith and Nightingale House Hospices.
- Trustee of Race Council Cymru and Daring to Dream, governor of Cardiff Metropolitan University, Samaritans Cymru Board Member, ambassador for IoD Wales and Windrush Cymru Elders. Former ACEVO Trustee.
- Actively supporting WCVA through blog writing, speaking and contributing to work streams on charity futures.

### **If elected, I will**

- Support and challenge WCVA to ensure that the voices of all members across Wales are heard.
- Champion equalities and push for a more diverse and inclusive voluntary sector.
- Support the sector to be 'future ready'.
- Be a strong advocate, influencing key decision makers to recognise the value of the voluntary sector.

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