

Rhian Davies

I fully support WCVA's mission 'to act as a catalyst for positive change by connecting, enabling and influencing' and have various skills and experience to contribute, drawn from a track record of leadership in the disability rights movement and broader equality sector in Wales.

As Chief Executive of Disability Wales, I bring insight into the challenges of running a national umbrella organisation which campaigns for and influences change in national policy on disability equality. As a Trustee of the Women's Equality Network Wales, I understand the Board's role in shaping the strategic direction of an organisation and providing guidance to the senior team.

I am committed to a collaborative style of working while being ready to challenge where necessary. As chair of the Disability Equality Forum Steering Group, I worked with report author Prof Debbie Foster, Welsh Government officials and Forum representatives in coproducing the *Locked-Out* report on the stark impact of Covid-19 on disabled people (2021). In response Ministers are establishing a Disability Rights Taskforce to address the report's evidence-based findings and recommendations.

If elected I will actively support WCVA's ongoing progression as an inclusive organisation that enables voluntary organisations in Wales to make a bigger difference together.