

Menai Owen-Jones

Why should WCVA's members vote for me to be a trustee?

About me

- Dedicated volunteer, passionate about the voluntary sector and creating a fairer, greener and stronger Wales.
- Lived experience of being part of a minoritised community (LGBTQ+), working to promote diversity and inclusion. Named in WalesOnline Pinc List 2024 and awarded Black History Wales Community Award 2023.
- Experienced CEO, currently leading LATCH Welsh Children's Cancer Charity, previously CEO of UK-wide health charity, The Pituitary Foundation. Awarded IoD Wales Director of the Year 2024 (Public and Third Sector).
- Broad experience of charities, from small impactful organisations through to large household names. Worked throughout Wales and across the UK.
- Chartered Director, experienced trustee and adviser. Currently Governor of Cardiff Metropolitan University and Independent Adviser to Senedd Cymru. Previously trustee of Race Council Cymru, Daring to Dream and ACEVO.
- Raised in North Wales and fluent Welsh speaker.
- Long-term supporter of WCVA and trustee since 2021.

If re-elected, I will continue to

- Support and challenge WCVA to ensure that the voices of 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.