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

I'm incredibly proud to have worked and volunteered in the Third Sector my whole career. I know first-hand how organisations across Wales work tirelessly to be the safety net for people navigating broken, traumatised systems – offering community, purpose and hope. Putting a friendly arm around a shoulder and helping people feel – even if just for a moment – that they matter and things will get better. Third Sector services are not just 'nice to have', they are the glue that hold communities together when everything else is falling apart.

Now more than ever, we need to come together as a sector to collectively find solutions and demonstrate the integral role voluntary organisations play in addressing deepening poverty and inequality to create healthy, thriving communities. We need to call out what's getting in the way – holding political leaders and ourselves to account if needed. I'm not afraid to have honest conversations when things aren't working – but will do so in a way that builds trusting relationships and finds common ground. I will support WCVA be a powerful, leading voice that champions and demonstrates our collective impact, makes the case for long-term investment and shifts power closer towards communities. Change starts with us.