

Find out more about the candidates for local representatives on Croydon boards, subgroups and committees.

### Children Young People & Families Partnership Board (CYP&FP)

This partnership brings together all those working in organisations responsible for services for children, young people, and families. The Croydon Children and Families Board and its Executive include representatives and senior officers from those organisations to provide high level governance arrangements for our Partnership.

CVSA Reps: 3

#### CYP&FP Families with small children candidates



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**CYF&P SEN Children & Young People Candidates**



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**Vanessa Bobb, A2ndvoice**

"I am a mother of three children between 12 and 17 year all with a neurological condition such as Autism Spectrum Condition, ADHD, Severe Expressive Reception Language Disorder, epilepsy and moderate language difficulties.

I am the founder of A2ndvoice, and am currently the Branch Officer for the Lambeth Branch of the National Autistic Society, member of the National Forum and a member of the All Party Parliamentary Group on Autism Advisory Group. My role is supporting the parents who have a child or young person with SEN and those who have experienced abuse. And supporting siblings with a sibling on the autistic spectrum or behaviour problem."



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**SUSANETTE MANSOUR**

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**Susanette Mansour, Croydon Vision**

"I am a community woman at heart with a passion and drive to promote social action, empowering and supporting individuals and organisations to inform and influence society. I am interested in representing the VCS on this board as I believe Children and families play a crucial role in contributing both to decisions that affect their own lives as well as their communities and wider society.

At Croydon Vision, an organisation that supports people with sight loss we work with children who are either totally blind or have severe sight loss and many have additional physical and or learning disabilities. Our aim is to create a society that is inclusive of blind and partially sighted people's interests and needs.

I have experience of working with children and families with complex needs and challenges - including domestic abuse, social issues, child poverty and mental health issues – ranging from intensive family support, conflict management and relationship support.

My aim is to bring in a fresh perspective to the board, to further create environments in which children can make a significant contribution to their own and others' lives – building stronger families and communities."



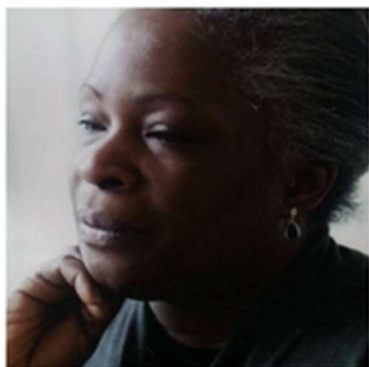
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## CY&FP Board Sub Group – Child Poverty

The aim of this sub-group is to reduce child poverty and mitigate impact of poverty.

CVSA Reps: 2



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## Croydon Safeguarding Children Board (CSCB)

A statutory multi-agency organisation that brings together local agencies that work to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people up to the age of 18 in Croydon.

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**RHONA KENNY**

### **Rhona Kenny, Croydon Drop-In**

"I am the Counselling Manager and designated Safeguarding Lead for Croydon Drop In (CDI), a local charity that has supported children, young people and their families in the borough of Croydon through a range of offers for almost 40 years.

As the safeguarding lead I am responsible for ensuring that the agency policies and protocols remain current, comply with the latest legislation and are delivered in the spirit of best practice. I continue to update on safeguarding training through the LA and share news and developments with the agency staff teams.

I would like to be involved with the Safeguarding Board as I have many years of experience and learning in this field as well as the practical application and knowledge of safeguarding and, importantly, the well-being of children and young people who seek help and support in the community and at CDI."





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### Tracey Ford, JAGS Foundation

"I will bring my first-hand experience as a bereaved mother to the issues of keeping children safe in the Borough. Through the youth campaigning organisation I set up in 2010, I am very aware of the increasing youth violence issues affecting more and more children in Croydon.

I believe I will bring a grassroots perspective and over 10 years' experience of the critical issues which need to be considered and addressed in order to tackle the epidemic of safety for all children in the Borough.

I will ensure that the voice of parents, children and the local voluntary sector organisations are representative of the local communities and to ensure that the safety of children is a priority."

## CSCB Subgroup – Children & Young People at Risk of Missing and Exploitation

A strategic sub group that aims to provide clarity on how safeguarding is addressed within the specific priority areas of child sexual exploitation (CSE) and missing children.

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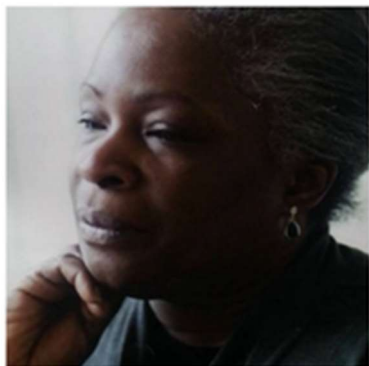
**RAYMOND BASCOMBE**

### **Raymond Bascombe, Ballers Community Club**

"I am interested in representing the VCS board because I feel, at 27 years of age, I am able to identify closely with the issues young people face.

Representing the VCS will give me the opportunity to network with similar organisations to Ballers Club Community based around providing opportunity to young people while also allowing me to gain more information and a solid insight into what is being done for young people in the present and for the future.

The relevant skills and expertise which will support me representing the VCS are I am a : Confident communicator, I have the ability to debate efficiently and unbiased. I grew up participating in youth-related crime but I was fortunate enough to turn a negative outlook on life into a positive outlook and create a successful community organisation. I deal with over 60 young people per week so on a sports/mentoring basis so I am able to base opinions from a young person's point of view. I believe me being recruited onto the VCS board would be a pivotal inclusion and will provide diversity swell as help shape the future for young people."



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## CSCB Subgroup – Education

Ensures schools implement good and effective safeguarding procedures and practices so that all Croydon children in Croydon schools are as safe as we can make them.

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## CSCB Subgroup – Health

Coordinates safeguarding practice across the sector and feeds into the main board.

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## CSCB Subgroup – Learning & Development

Plans, delivers and monitors the effectiveness of the annual multi agency safeguarding training programme.

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**ELSIE SUTHERLAND**

### **Mrs Elsie Sutherland**

"I have been involved in the voluntary and community sector for many years and have a background in social work. I have chaired a number of forums and committees, including OPeN.

I am currently responsible for training ministers and lay preachers in nine Methodist church congregations in safeguarding practices for both children and adults. I keep up to date with changes in policy and practice, and am also developing a safeguarding policy for the trustees of Anerly Town Hall."



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## Health & Wellbeing Board Sub Group – Carers’ Partnership

To consider the work of the carers partnership group in delivering board priorities.



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## H&WB Subgroup – Croydon Maternity Voices Partnership

To establish a Partnership with service users and providers to improve existing healthcare standards and experiences for all women and their families, who live or have their baby(ies) in Croydon, during pregnancy, childbirth and in the first few weeks following the birth of their baby.

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## H&WB Subgroup – Emotional Health & Wellbeing

Improve the emotional wellbeing and mental health of children and young people: The Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Partnership Plan was agreed and launched in April 2014; an Emotional Wellbeing & Mental Health Partnership Board was established and launched in July terms of reference agreed. A workstream reviewing support to children with autism and the diagnostic pathway has been initiated through the review of community paediatricians. Aligned commissioning of the Adult MH SLAM contract has been established through joint contract monitoring and the annual contract negotiation by the Integrated Commissioning Unit on behalf of the CCG (Clinical Commissioning Group.) Work is ongoing to improve performance reporting across the whole system of emotional wellbeing support.

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## H&WB Subgroup – Learning Disability Partnership

The Partnership Board is chaired by a person with a learning disability and a person from the council. The Board works towards ensuring that the views and wishes of people with learning disabilities and their families are heard and used to make things happen and that their needs are included in the JSNA (Joint Strategic Needs Assessment).

CVSA Reps: 2



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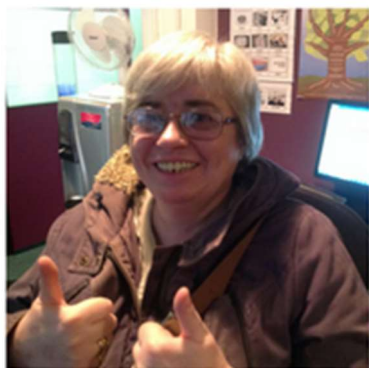
"As the CEO of Croydon Mencap I am well placed to be directly informed of the needs, wishes and aspirations of people with learning disabilities their families and carers.

I chair the Learning Disability Forum which comprises of people with learning disabilities, carers and community representatives which meets regularly to consider issues of importance to people with learning disabilities.

I am already a member of the Learning Disability Partnership Board and happy to represent VCS as well as Croydon Mencap on this strategically important Board. Croydon Council regard and respect Croydon Mencap as being an advocate for local people that live with learning disability and I would seek to raise the profile and influence of the VCS to a similar status.

I am regularly involved with groups that are influential in developing national policy. I believe this places me in a good position to represent the VCS as well as being a good conduit to provide feedback and information to the wider VCS membership."





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GERALDINE O'SHEA

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**Geraldine O'Shea, Croydon People First**



"I have been the co-chair of this group for the past two years, and would be happy to continue. I work for Croydon People First, an organisation that empowers and gives a voice to people with learning difficulties."

## Together for Health and Care Board

The CCG's implementation of the Prevention, Self-Care, Self-Management and Shared Decision Making (PSSS) Strategy which underpins the CCG's transformational change programme.

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## Safer Croydon Partnership Board (SCPB) Subgroups

### SCPB Subgroup - Anti-Social Behaviour & Environmental Crime Board

To prevent and reduce ASB and Environmental Crime within the borough, in accordance with the 2017 – 2020 Safer Croydon Strategy, including responsibility for drug and alcohol related antisocial behaviour and crime, rowdy and inconsiderate behaviour, street drinking and begging, vehicle nuisance, fly tipping and arson. The Board is also expected to have an evidence-based action plan and to monitor progress against actions identified, as well as a scrutinising and monitoring role.

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### SCPB Subgroup - Confidence & Community Engagement

The focus of this programme board is on building public confidence in local partners to prevent and reduce crime and disorder and identifying the priorities and concerns of local communities. Improving hate crime reporting and building resilience to extremism. The Board is also expected to have an evidence-based action plan and to monitor progress against actions identified, as well as a scrutinising and monitoring role.

CVSA Reps: 1



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**Elizabeth Castle, Caring Support**

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## SCPB Subgroup – Domestic and Sexual Violence

Responsible for leading on the coordination of partnership activity to focus delivery of the Partnership's strategic outcomes linked to the 2015-18 Domestic Abuse and Sexual Prevention strategy, encompassing prevention; protection and reducing the risk; provision of support to reduce violence against women and girls, and working in partnership to obtain the best outcome for victims and their families. The Board is also expected to have an evidence-based action plan and to monitor progress against actions identified, as well as a scrutinising and monitoring role.

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<p><b>No photo</b></p>	<p><b>Lucy Pleass, Bromley &amp; Croydon Women's Aid</b></p> <p>"I have been working in domestic abuse sector for over 10 years and I am passionate and committed to help survivors of DA. I am currently the Director of Operations at Bromley &amp; Croydon Women's Aid, a voluntary organisation that has worked for over 40 years to tackle domestic abuse in the local community. I strongly believe survivors' voices need to be heard and feel that acting as an advocate in this forum would be a great opportunity for the voluntary sector to be represented. Bromley &amp; Croydon WA understand the importance that the voluntary sector plays in developing long-term and effective domestic abuse services, which are truly tailored to survivors' needs."</p>



<b>No photo</b>	<p><b>Yvonne Traynor, RASASC</b></p> <p>"I have been working at RASASC (South London Rape Crisis) for 22 years as the CEO and as a therapist. I understand sexual violence at its core and feel that my experience of working with thousands of survivors of sexual violence will lend a voice to the women and girls who need to have a voice.</p> <p>RASASC has 150 women and girls from 5 years old a week in therapy, 350 women and girls being supported through the Criminal Justice System, 120 marginalised women supported by our Outreach team and 300 women and girls a week supported by our National Helpline. Our training team provides training to professionals and workshops to schools, universities and colleges around south London, Surrey &amp; Sussex to dispel the myths around sexual violence and help young people understand what consent actually means. I offer consultancy services to television stations, authors, playwrights, journalists and students where sexual violence is being included or written about, so that the public have a better understanding of sexual violence and the women and girls that have suffered from this heinous crime."</p>
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## SCPB Subgroup – Offender Management

A multi-agency response to reduce re-offending, targeting a cohort of up to 250 offenders who pose the highest risk of re-offending the IOM framework helps to address the problems behind an offender's behaviour by effective information sharing across a range of partner agencies and jointly providing the right intervention at the right time.

CVSA Reps: 1



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## SCPB Subgroup – Youth Crime & Safety

Two distinct identities within one board, which is reflected in the meeting agenda.

1. The Youth Crime Prevention Board's purpose is to coordinate action to improve the safety of children and young people within the borough. Responsibilities will include monitoring the delivery of the serious youth violence action plan; coordinating the activity of the multi-agency Gangs programme and responsibility for the delivery of any other youth crime priorities identified within the Safer Croydon Strategy.
2. The YOPS Board will monitor and report on key performance indicators and targets contained in the strategy, and lead on the development of the Youth Justice Plan. There is also a role in supporting the co-ordination and reviewing the delivery of YOT services.

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MAGDALENE ADENAIKE

### Magdalene Adenaike, Music Relief Foundation

"As the chief executive of a youth organisation championing the fight against knife crime and youth violence, I am very interested in representing the VCS on this board. Being able to share best practice, network and form wider partnerships that will enable us help and support even more young people."




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**RAYMOND BASCOMBE**


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**Raymond Bascombe, Ballers Community Club**

"I am interested in representing the VCS board because I feel, at 27 years of age, I am able to identify closely with the issues young people face.

Representing the VCS will give me the opportunity to network with similar organisations to Ballers Club Community based around providing opportunity to young people while also allowing me to gain more information and a solid insight into what is being done for young people in the present and for the future.

The relevant skills and expertise which will support me representing the VCS are I am a : Confident communicator, I have the ability to debate efficiently and unbiased. I grew up participating in youth-related crime but I was fortunate enough to turn a negative outlook on life into a positive outlook and create a successful community organisation. I deal with over 60 young people per week so on a sports/mentoring basis so I am able to base opinions from a young person's point of view. I believe me being recruited onto the VCS board would be a pivotal inclusion and will provide diversity swell as help shape the future for young people."




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**SOYE BRIGGS**


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**Soye Briggs, Palace for Life**

"I have been working in the voluntary sector for 20 years. I have previously represented to the VCS in Southwark, Lambeth and Merton. I have a Social Work background in children and families, and for the last 15 years I have been operating at a strategic level. I have a good understanding and network across Croydon in regards to children and families and currently co-chair the North Localities network."



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**HAYLEY REA**

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**Hayley Rea, Aim High Dance Academy**

"I am interested in representing the VCS on this board as I have a decade of management experience in providing community services for young people, in Croydon and the surrounding areas. Since 2007 I have provided weekly dance classes and holiday camps in Croydon and since 2014 I have been an Extended Services Manager in a Croydon school, developing all of the schools' extended services such as the Breakfast Club, After School Club and Holiday provision.

I have a strong community network through sport/arts and cultural activities, currently working with 6 Croydon Schools. My career within the community as a teacher has led to many different routes within youth services and has enabled me to have a positive impact on youth services, understanding what is required to establish, manage and maintain high-level governance within youth services, in order to provide the best possible service for the whole community. My day-to-day role requires me to assess sport/play services in the education and the care sector, providing feedback and guidance on legal requirements. I have experience in multi-agency networking, bringing organisations together and I understand the importance of having good communication amongst different organisation's and how to do this effectively.

The skills I will be able to apply to this role would be, management skills, knowledge of youth provision, community providers and the educational sector, ability to communicate well, knowledge of legislation, experience of Ofsted requirements and creativity."



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