



***The Board**

Katrina Willetts – Acting Director – Chair



Relevant background and skills. Skills in public speaking, leadership qualities, housing management, Health and Social care management, experience working with all vulnerable client groups, benefit advisor, budgeting and life skills. Project development and strategy.

Relevant qualifications NVQ 3 in Housing and health and social care.

Hobbies include Volunteering, cycling, Yoga, Meditation, Racket sports.

John Wood – Acting Director - Vice Chair



I am a father of two and a teacher, with a background in science and design. I have become interested in facilitating the housing that is needed for our community following my involvement in The Cookley and Causall Neighbourhood Plan and election as a Parish Councillor. I am determined to help bring about the attainable housing that our community needs - housing for peoples' needs, for their quality of lives, their leisure time - prioritised above the need of developers for high profit.

Debra Huzzard - Acting Treasurer - Co – Housing



Lived in Kidderminster for 30 plus years, a Chartered Tax Advisor with own small accountancy practice looking after local personal tax and small business clients. As well as having an accounting background has had several committee posts over the years in various local groups from PTAs to the local Astronomy Group. Interests include researching cohousing having attended various conferences and workshops to further knowledge.



Roy Huzzard - Secretary -Co – Housing



Relevant background, lived in Wyre Forest for over 30 years, published in peer reviewed scientific journals, project development and strategy leadership, experienced project manager (strategic technical projects - bringing together industry and academic research) and public speaking.

Hobbies; Passionate about bringing Cohousing to Wyre Forest, Chair of Carolian Astronomy Society, Kidderminster, Chess (once helped form Phoenix Chess Club, Eastwood, Notts.), soccer.

Timothy Mason - Acting Director - Land & Development



Forty years' experience of managing private rental property and land development businesses with extensive experience of the construction industry new build / self-build /renovation and refurbishment. Established four Construction skills training centre facilities along with the development of nationally approved training programmes.

Extensive experience of working on regeneration and community projects / initiative.

Currently leading on an innovative design project to establish a self-build modular off-site construction incremental homes initiative to help young people, single parent and low income families to move into genuinely affordable sustainable homes. With a particular interest and knowledge of eco homes, alternative methods of construction, sustainability and permaculture focussed on creating more sustainable ways of living.

Claire Bailey – Acting Director – Research



I believe that everyone has a right to live in a good quality home that they can properly afford. I love environmentally friendly buildings that don't put pressure on our natural resources and which do deliver low running costs. For many years I struggled to afford to rent accommodation (often of extremely poor quality yet with high running costs) and found it particularly hard to save for a home deposit as property prices were surging. I don't want to watch this situation get ever harder for others without trying to help to fix it.



Louise Parsonage – Acting Director



I joined Wyre Forest CLT because I believe in improving the quality of housing options for everyone, particularly those most in need. I have worked as a debt caseworker at a charity for eleven years, which has provided an insight in to the financial challenges faced by many and the serious consequences of poor quality and unaffordable housing.

Volunteers:

Janet Wicks – Self Build

On a self build journey to build a compact affordable dwelling to passivhaus standards to meet my needs.