

SALLY ELLIS

"Originally from Norfolk, I have lived in Flintshire for more than 30 years, mostly in Caerwys. Both my children live here too, and went to school in Mold. I am a graduate and have qualifications in social administration, strategic management and leadership.

My early working life was in community development, working for the voluntary sector, including on Deeside. I moved to work for local government in 1992, working for Clwyd and Conwy Councils before becoming the Director of Modernisation and Well-being at Denbighshire County Council from 2001-2014. Here, I was Director of Social Services as well as having responsibility for a varying range of Council services, including Housing, HR, ICT and Leisure.

Since retiring from full time work in 2014, I have undertaken a number of roles for Welsh Government and mentoring and consultancy work for national and local government, mostly in North Wales. I am currently a member of the Public Services Staff Commission which is looking at the workforce implications of public service reform in Wales. On a voluntary basis, I am Vice Chair of North Wales Housing Association and an adviser for Denbighshire Citizens Advice.

I am a keen walker and gardener, film and theatre goer. So I make extensive use of Flintshire footpaths, Theatr Clwyd and the Greenfield Recycling Centre (of which I am a great fan, including of its free soil conditioner)."