

SHERRY MALIK

***What people like and admire about me...***

- That I enjoy meeting staff and people who use services so I always understand their experiences
- That I use this knowledge to represent them well at senior levels when making decisions
- That I am a social worker first and foremost despite the senior positions I hold
- That I am good at resolving conflict and finding compromises when things are difficult.
- That I am a good communicator and actively use ways (blogs, twitter, emails, conferences) to talk about the work I am involved in
- That I am easy to talk to

What's important to me...

- To be able to make a difference for the better, in whatever I am doing and to do things well
- Standing up for fairness and equality
- To make decisions that are right for the organisation and its purpose rather than individuals
- To create a trusting and respectful environment in which we can learn and grow
- A clear sense of direction at work and clarity about how to get there
- To enjoy whatever I do and to care about the cause I am involved in.
- To find time for my family especially my lovely baby grand daughter who is helping me connect back with the joys (and challenges) of parenting!

How to support me well at work...

- I would sooner know about the difficult issues than find out too late, so speak to me!
- Let me know if I am getting things wrong as well as when I am getting things right.
- Help me make better decisions by giving me the information I need in good time
- I love meeting staff and people using services because I am interested in their experiences – so book me in to visit you!
- Thinking of new ways in which the organisation and its purpose can succeed – being creative!
- A bit of cake now and then helps!