

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!