

Aelwyd Housing Board Members

Our Board of Management consists of between five and fifteen non-executive members (including co-optees) and is responsible for good governance and the strategic direction of the Association.

Board members come from diverse backgrounds, with the right skills, knowledge, and experience to lead the Association.



Anne Hinchey (Chair) Anne has worked in housing since the 1980's and has extensive experience in the voluntary, local authority and housing association sectors. She is Group Chief Executive of Wales & West Housing. She is a former Lady Mayoress of Cardiff and has won the Most People Focused CEO of the Year at the HR Excellence Awards, and was Woman of the Year at the Women in Housing Awards. Anne joined the Board in 2019 and became Chair in 2020. She is a Trustee of her local church and volunteers for Guide Dogs Cymru.



Peter Sargent Peter is a freelance interim charity CEO, with organisational development and financial expertise. Much of his experience is in the international development and environmental sectors working across Africa, Asia, and Europe. Since 2012, he has been based in the UK and is an active member of his local church in Cardiff. He was until recently Chair, at the Welsh Centre for International Affairs. Peter joined the Board in 2022 and is Chair of the Audit Committee.



Claire Boot Claire is the Property Officer and Assistant Company Secretary for the United Reformed Church (URC) National Synod of Wales, based in Cardiff. She is also a freelance writer with extensive experience in communications and was previously a housing association resident in London. Claire joined the Board in 2022.



Jerome Fanfare Jerome joined the Board in 2020 and is a Supported Housing Manager at United Welsh. Jerome has extensive experience in housing management, supported housing, homelessness and safeguarding. He is also studying towards a postgraduate MBA and brings a balance of academic and practically acquired knowledge and skills to the Aelwyd Housing Board. Jerome is a member of the Audit Committee.



Hayley Grist Hayley Joined the Board in 2022 and has worked in the homelessness sector for a number of years. She currently works for Housing Justice Cymru, a national Christian homelessness organisation where she manages a team delivering a homelessness prevention project across Wales. She completed a Housing Studies degree at Cardiff Metropolitan University 2019. She has previously worked with the Housing Options Team at a Welsh local authority. Hayley is part of the leadership team of her local church, serving communities in Bridgend.



Ellie Howard Ellie joined the board in 2022. She began her career in local government as a graduate trainee at Newport City Council in 2019. Since then, Ellie has worked on a range of projects and programmes within homelessness, housing support and social housing, and now works in tenancy sustainment as a housing officer for Bristol City Council. Ellie attends Broadmead Baptist Church in Bristol and is an active member of the church family there.



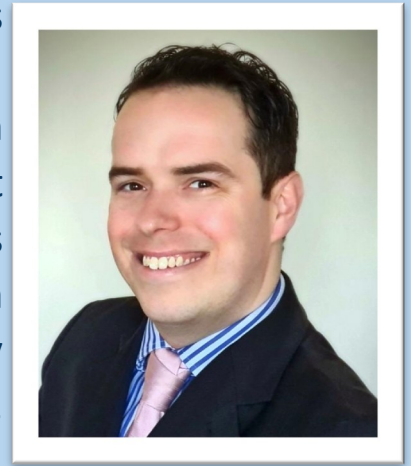
Jonathan Hughes Jonathan has worked in housing association development and Local Authority regeneration for almost 30 years including in senior management roles. He has also worked in the homelessness sector supporting churches to use surplus land for affordable homes and to set up emergency accommodation for people experiencing homelessness. Jonathan lives in Swansea with his wife and is an active member of his local Parish Church. He is a member of the Parochial Church Council and a Lay Member of the Governing Body of the Church in Wales. Jonathan joined the Board in 2021.





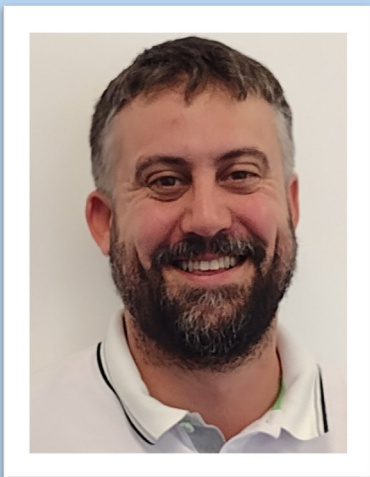
Robert Lynbeck Rob is an experienced Strategic Director having worked in the public and third sectors for over four decades in Executive Director roles at a large Welsh housing association and three Local Authorities. He is a Trustee of several charities and a Governor at a local High School. A Fellow of both the Royal Geographical Society and the Chartered Institute of Housing he is also a Chartered Arbitrator.

James O'Connor James is an experienced Chartered Accountant. He worked for more than a decade across three continents with PwC before moving to lead finance teams in the Welsh social housing sector in 2016. He is currently Director of Corporate Finance at Pobl Group, He is an ecumenical Christian with a focus on lived faith and has been part of the leadership team or church council in different denominations over many years. James joined the Board in 2021.



Michael Stone Michael is the Head of Customer

Experience at a large housing provider in the South West of England. He has worked within housing and across operational delivery for several years. Michael has been responsible for delivering large technology projects throughout his career, currently focusing on customer self-service digital solutions. He joined the Board in 2018.



Reverend Peter Idris Taylor MA, MSc. Peter Idris is a retired Pastor and church leader who is Moderator of the South Wales Baptist Association and a former President of the International Baptist Convention. He serves on the boards of three charities based in South Wales and is experienced in housing provision having previously served on the board of an Abbeyfield Society. Peter Idris joined the Board in 2021 and is also a member of the Audit Committee.

