

Biographies of Trustees to be re-elected

Jonathan Ellis

Jonathan is an independent campaigner and works to inspire others to campaign for change around the world. See: <http://jonathanelliscampaigns.com>

Within a broad portfolio of work, his primary role is project director of Detention Forum. He also provides strategic campaigning advice to the Open Society Foundations by supporting Eurochild's European campaign on Early Childhood Development; the Roma Healthy Start programme in Bulgaria; the Romani Early Years Network; and parents' coalitions in Armenia, Georgia, Serbia and Ukraine.

Previously he led advocacy campaigns for the British Red Cross, the Refugee Council, Oxfam and Action on Empty Homes.

Jonathan is a qualified teacher in secondary and higher education and was a visiting lecturer on the MA in political communication at London's City University. He has published 'Campaigning for Change: an Essential Guide for Campaigning around the World'; written a global advocacy toolkit for the International Federation of the Red Cross/ Red Crescent (piloted with the Nepal Red Cross); and has on-line campaigning courses with over 3500 students from 133 countries.

Andrew White

A retired chartered accountant, I have been treasurer of City of Sanctuary since 2015. I am also treasurer of a Southampton based charity that provides support to asylum seekers and refugees.

Joseph Chivayo

Father, husband and son living in Derby with a passion for people, Joseph is inspired and motivated by the urgent need to make a positive difference, find practical solutions to the problems we see around us.

Master of Arts in Hospitality graduate actively involved in peace building, civil rights , human rights and education campaign. Joseph enjoys the

vibrance and brilliance found in diversity and inclusion. Currently reading Law.

Keen writer and constructive disruptor with an interest in business, fitness and eating.

Caroline Beatty

I have worked and volunteered in the Bristol Refugee support sector since 2004 and now co-chair Bristol City of Sanctuary, which was established in 2011. In BCoS we focus on enable the voice of those with lived experience to be heard in the city and community.

I am currently developing and managing a retreat and workshop venue in the Cotswolds Hill House Retreats which offers regular *Sanctuary Breaks* for groups of refugees, asylum seekers, survivors of trafficking and torture, and others seeking sanctuary.

Jeff Morgan

Jeff has worked with sanctuary seekers since 2006 when he trained with Freedom from Torture. He helped develop counselling facilities training programmes for those seeking protection in Manchester, Salford, London, Hull and Birmingham. He also tutors at REACHE, an educational project based in Salford Royal Hospital, specifically designed for refugees who were doctors in their homelands and now wish to continue their profession in the UK. REACHE supports its members to pass British medical examinations; to orientate their practice to the philosophy & regulation of the NHS, thereby gaining registration with the General Medical Council.

Jeff's background is in Occupational Medicine and Mental Health. Before retirement he worked as "company doctor" to a wide variety of industrial, commercial & service organisations in the public, private and third sectors. These ranged from universities, the nuclear industry, local authorities and police forces in England to preserved steam railways in North Wales and the Church of South India. For 9 years he was also a psychiatrist in rural Gwynedd, establishing a therapeutic community in an

attractive seaside location where survivors of trauma could experience intensive counselling in a relaxed & supportive setting.

He has worked for several movements to promote health and organisational development in Britain, Europe and South Asia. These have strived for the better management of stress & mental health in the workplace and, in the community, for the support of victims of serious crime, of families whose loved ones suffer dementia and, also, of those who have developed work-related cancer.

Within CoS, Jeff has served on subgroups to the Board for Human Resources, Funding and Strategy. He was involved in the distribution of funds from the Guardian Christmas Appeal, the development of our Health Stream and the production of the Mental Health Resource Pack.

Jeff lives in an oak forest in North Wales, from where he coordinates CoS groups, partnerships & events in the NW of England and also offers a link between our sister movement in Ireland & the UK board.

Herbert Dirahu

Currently working for the Regional Refugee Forum as Project Manager working with Refugee Community Organisations across the North East Region. I am a member of all the 3 City of Sanctuary initiatives in Newcastle, Sunderland and Teesside. I have worked with Refugees and Sanctuary Seekers for about 10 years in the North East of England and participate in most of the key stakeholder platforms in that region. I would like to contribute my experience and knowledge for the continuous strengthening of the City of Sanctuary movement to build a culture of hospitality for people seeking sanctuary in the UK.

Pam Inder

In my working life I was a museum curator in Local Authority museums – essentially a mid-level manager – and later a university lecturer and researcher. I therefore have management skills and am an experienced speaker and communicator. I am also a writer and editor – I am writing my thirteenth book (popular social history) this year.

I believe very strongly in the need to change the asylum system and to support those people unfortunate enough to have to go through it. I feel



City of Sanctuary is increasingly well placed to do this and delight in the opportunity to be part of this development.