

## **Our Board of Management**

### **“Eddy” David Morton, Chair.**

Co-director of social enterprise Stourbridge Community Development Trust CIC (SCDT) that promotes community wealth building through a range of schemes from arts to housing and renewable energy. SCDT was a founding member of SCLT. Eddy is a community led housing expert who also works as co-Development Manager for West Midlands Urban Community Homes (WMUCH). Eddy also runs the popular Stourbridge comedy and music venue Katie Fitzgeralds, and has decades of experience running local cultural and creative enterprises.

### **Anthony Hughes**

Co-director of SCDT and co-founder of SCLT. Anthony has a wealth of experience working as a creative, communications and heritage professional in the commercial, public and education sectors, including running international and multi-agency projects. He is currently Head of the Lanchester Archive and Lecturer at Coventry University and has run his own consultancy business for 25 years. Anthony is co-Development Manager at WMUCH alongside Eddy, and leads on grant funding for SCDT.

### **George Marks**

George started his career working as a lecturer in graphic design at Stourbridge College. From there he took up the post of Senior Lecturer in Graphic Communication at the School of Art and Design at the University of Wolverhampton, where he worked for three decades before his recent retirement. He was a member of the editorial board of the Journal of Writing in Creative Practice and was the UCU representative for a considerable number of years. George is a founder member of SCLT.

### **Roger Wall**

Roger is a senior lecturer at Birmingham City University in the School of Engineering and the Built Environment, specialising in building technologies and sustainable construction. Before joining BCU in 2001, Roger worked as a software engineer for a number of consultancy firms. He is a director at Redhill Court Management Company Limited.

### **Jeremy Cobb**

Jeremy is a founding member of SCLT. Jeremy's career has been working primarily with Network Rail as a Development Manager, before retiring several years ago. He has served as Treasurer at Christian Aid Stourbridge Churches Together and a strong advocate of community organisations in the town.

### **Andi Mohr**

Secretary of SCLT, Andi leads on governance and finance. He has 15 years' experience in the corporate sector as a finance, data and operations analyst and spent two years working for West Midlands Urban Community Homes leading on finance and governance. He is also an environmental campaigner for the Green Party, where in recent years he has led election campaigns at local, regional and national level.

### **Ellen Hope Cobb**

Ellen joined the SCLT board in 2022. Ellen is a community campaigner for the Labour Party, with a particular interest in environmental justice and animal rights. She is a skilled videographer and communications professional and media manager for the Labour Animal Rights Group. She is a member of the Corbett Meadows Action Group which successfully defended ancient Stourbridge meadowland from inappropriate development.

### **Damian Lawson IEng**

Damian was co-opted to the board of SCLT in 2022, bringing his 32 years of expertise working within the built environment sector. Damian is an associate member of the Chartered Institution of Building

Services Engineers (CIBSE) and the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB). Having trained as an environmental building services engineer, he diversified into construction and ran his own successful business before taking on other roles including as Head of Projects at CBRE, Operations Director at ENGIE UK and National Projects Director at EMCOR UK.

**Annabell Fuidge**

Annabell was co-opted by the SCLT board in January 2023. As Housing First officer at Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council, Annabell is perfectly placed to facilitate excellent relations with DMBC and brings a deep understanding of the needs of the often vulnerable people SCLT seeks to serve.