

# Meet our Early Years team

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Professional Development Officer



## About me

I was born in Gateshead and moved to Washington with my parents and siblings in 1978. I am married with two grown up children – a daughter and son. I have two grandchildren aged two and five, who I absolutely adore.

I joined Together for Children in April 2018. I am a people person who loves supporting others.

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## What I can do

- My key responsibilities are:
- To plan the annual programme of training, events, support and development for all settings
- To liaise with colleagues and external providers to ensure all relevant training is implemented
- Management of all bookings including supporting settings navigate the Traded Services website
- Marketing and publicity of all training, events and support available
- Main point of contact for all settings and colleagues for all training and events
- Management of the World Text Messaging Service for Childminders
- Supporting the development of any new training and managing the new NCFE Assessment Centre and much more.....

## What I have done

- For many years I worked in Early Years childcare (my favourite age group) progressing to a Co-ordinator role managing settings
- In 1995 I became a Tutor delivering a variety of accredited childcare related training and in 2000 I became a Training Manager working in the community which I loved so much
- In 2006 I moved to a role which involved managing the apprenticeship and work experience agendas for Sunderland City Council, as well as managing and delivering the Prevent Counter Terrorism agenda across the city
- My most rewarding job roles have been those where I am directly involved in supporting and nurturing passionate people in the community, helping them to develop skills and knowledge to improve lives or to progress their own careers

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