

Biographies:

Jamie Saunders

Jamie Saunders has worked for Bradford Council since 1992. He graduated from the University of Bradford that year after studying Environmental Science and Geography.



Currently working in the Chief Executive's Office, Jamie's work supports the organisation and senior management to explore, develop and progress new thinking and practice on sustainability for Bradford District and Bradford Council as part and parcel of community leadership, organisational development and performance.

Jamie has an MA in Foresight and Futures Studies from Leeds Metropolitan University.

Stan Kidd

Stan has worked in local government for almost 30 years. The first three years were spent on the front-line as a residential social worker, working with adults with learning disabilities. Since then, he has worked in a range of research, policy, planning, advisory, performance and strategic support roles in social services (three years), education (14 years), and at the corporate centre (nine years).



Stan has worked for Bradford Council, the fourth largest metropolitan authority in England, for the past 23 years. He is currently the council's Corporate Strategy Adviser, managing a small Strategic Coordination Unit in the Chief Executive's Office. He has also held senior posts as Head of Service Improvement and interim Director of Policy and Performance.

Stan has an honours degree in Politics from the University of York and is about to complete a masters degree in Public Administration at Warwick Business School (Institute of Public Management and Governance).

His current MPA-related interests include the practical application of public value theory in complex policy domains, the dynamic complexity of UK governance, the nature of strategic leadership in local public agencies and a dissertation focused on how local authorities develop systemic frameworks to improve sustainability.