

Phil Brennan, Chairperson, has been a Director since 2019. Phil is employed as the Service Coordinator of Employment Response North West, supporting people with disabilities, mental health, and health conditions into meaning full paid employment. Phil has twenty-five years' experience of working in the community and voluntary sector supporting disadvantaged communities and vulnerable people to achieve their goals. She is a passionate supporter of those most disadvantaged and at risk in our society including families, people with varying level of abilities, young people and those most isolated. Phil is also a Director of Community Training Centre in Sligo and on the Board of Management of Colaiste Muire secondary school

Michael Yewlett, Company Secretary, became a Director in March 2021. He has a keen interest in the community & voluntary sector having worked in this sector since 2004. He has recently been appointed as the Deputy Manager for the Sligo/Leitrim Home Youth Liaison Service and works in a number of local secondary schools as a Home Youth Liaison Officer. He currently has no other directorships.

Pamela Hunter, Company Treasurer became a Director in August 2022. She is employed as the Community Employment Supervisor of Sligo Family Community Enrichment & Support CLG, supporting people who have been long term unemployed to avail of full time and part time employment opportunities through the provision of accredited education, training, and up-skilling initiatives in accordance with their individual capacities. She has a keen interest in community and voluntary services and developed a strong passion in supporting disadvantaged and vulnerable people to achieve their learning goals, due to her recent experience of returning to full time education as a mature student and graduating with a Bachelor of Business Hons Degree in Accounting. She has no other directorships.

John Burrows, Is a previous chairperson and has been a member of the Board of Directors for the past five years. John who lives locally, joined the board as both his children had attended Footprints Crèche. John works in Human Resources for the HSE Workplace Health & Wellbeing Unit and provides HR guidance and advice to the FRC through the employee subgroup.

Sonya Coffey, has been a Director over a period of thirteen years – she had two breaks while out on maternity leave and was chairperson from 2016-2019. Sonya works as a lecturer in Home Economics in St Angela's College, Sligo, a field of study and a profession, situated in the human sciences that draws from a range of disciplines to achieve optimal and sustainable living for individuals, families, and communities. Sonya has a research interest in community and voluntary services which target individuals, families, and communities. She currently has no other directorships.

Shona Gallagher, a Director for two years has been a frequent service user of Footprints Creche. Shona works for the Health and Well Being Division of the HSE and has a background in clinical Paediatric services. She currently has no other directorships.

Michelle Doherty joined the Board as a Director in 2021. Michelle is a postnatal Doula also working part-time as a family visitor. Michelle has worked for over 25 years with families firstly in childcare and special educational needs before moving on to Doula work in the past 8 years. Michelle has also worked in a voluntary role within the community, with a Chernobyl group, and in theatre. Michelle puts a big focus on supporting families in the early months and years after a baby arrives and facilitates a number of support groups for parents. She currently has no other directorships.

Mary Heery joined the Board in 2022. She was involved for the past five years in the Syrian Refugee Befriending Project organised through Sligo Family Resource Centre. She works for the Environmental Health Service of the HSE. She has no other directorships.

Saoirse Wynne is a fourth-year student in St. Angela's College, studying Home Economics. Home Economics professionals are concerned with the empowerment & well-being of individuals, families & communities and of facilitating the development of attributes for lifelong learning for paid, unpaid & voluntary work and living situations. During her third year of college she completed an 18 week placement in Sligo Family Resource Centre. She has no other directorships.

Sharon Boles joined the Board in 2023. Sharon has been Manager with Sligo County Childcare Committee since 2003 and has extensive knowledge of the Early Education and School Aged Sector. Sharon holds a BA in ECCE and an MA in Leadership and Advocacy in the Early Years. Sharon is also Children First trainer and has delivered programmes to the ECCE and SAC for many years. Sharon is responsible for the overall strategic development of Sligo County Childcare Committee including the implementation of an annual work plan supporting Early Years and school aged professionals with all aspects of policy and practice.