

## **AUDREY SINCLAIR – Biography**

Born and brought up in West Lothian, Audrey studied Chemistry at Edinburgh and UEA, Norwich. The majority of her working life was spent as a Chemistry/Physics teacher in Suffolk. She returned to Scotland and settled in Badicaul, Kyle in 1994. She retrained for Primary Teaching and spent over 10 years teaching in primary schools in Lochalsh and South Skye, working mostly with Gaelic medium classes.

She was elected in 2007 as a Highland Councillor for the Wester Ross, Strathpeffer and Lochalsh Ward and served for two terms (10 years). During this time, she chaired the Biodiversity Partnership, was Vice-chair of the North Area Planning Application Committee and Vice-Convener of the Highlands & Islands Fire Board. From 2005-07, she was Chair of the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Strategic Committee with additional responsibilities such as Chair of the Planning Review Body and representing the Council on a number of other organisations.

She made the decision to stand down from the Highland Council in May 2017 but continues her involvement in more locally based groups. She has been on the Board of Kyleakin Connections (which runs a day care centre for adults with learning disabilities) since 2007 and at present she is Chairperson of the Board. She is a founding member of Wester Ross Biosphere and a current Board member. She has also been involved for several years with Kyle Village Hall and Skye & Lochalsh Beekeepers Association.

She became a member of the LSHA Governing Body in 2013 and was Chairperson from 2018-23.

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