

IAN YOUNG - PERSONAL PROFILE

Having been brought up in Glasgow and Johnstone, Ian has since lived and worked in a range of places in Britain and abroad before moving permanently to Skye in January 2016.

His academic background provided him with research and analysis experience on a range of subjects related generally and specifically around housing issues. His key educational qualifications were B.Sc. Hons Geography at Glasgow University in 1979, M.A. in Urban Analysis obtained at Miami University, Ohio, U.S.A. in 1982 and a Post-Graduate Diploma in Housing Management from Northumbria University in 1991.

In terms of employment Ian has had a range of housing experience beginning with Glasgow City Council in 1982 where he worked in the private sector renovation team and also housing management. From there he moved to Leicester in 1984 to work as a Renewal Strategy Officer in the area renewal team. After a spell teaching Geography and Social studies in the Bahamas in 1987 and 1988 Ian returned to work in housing at Middlesbrough Borough Council both in housing management and private sector renovation.

In 1999 Ian moved to Staffordshire where he worked in Stoke City Council private sector housing team as Renewals Manager. In 2003 Ian moved to work for Staffordshire Moorlands District Council as Head of Housing Services responsible for Housing Strategy, Affordable Housing Enabling, Housing Benefits, Homelessness and Housing Advice and Disabled Facilities and Renovation Grants. In 2010 Ian joined the combined management team that covered both Staffordshire Moorlands and High Peak councils again as Head of Housing Services.

In 2014 having left employment with Staffordshire Moorlands and High Peak councils he began the move to Skye by project managing a new house build and setting up a small scale crofting business. Continuing his interest in housing Ian was a Board Member for Peak District Rural Housing Association in 2014-16 before moving to Skye.
