Independent Adult Social Care Commission

Members Biography

• Mike Kapur, CEO, SemperVox Ltd

Mike started his career in 1985 at KPMG as the senior manager responsible for audit and business advisory services to Owner Managed Businesses.

Mike currently manages Signum Corporate Communications Ltd, a company he founded in 2002. He has a wide and varied career which includes 20 successful years of boardroom experience in both private and public sector organisations, recognised in his appointment in 2013 to one of the Confederation of British Industry's (CBI) most important roles, as Head of its Enterprise Forum.

From this position he leads the CBI's policy work in respect of SME's and acts as the National figurehead for SME members and their issues including interfacing with Government on their behalf.

Amongst many non-executive roles, Mike has served as a non-executive director at Leicester Royal Infirmary and following its merger in 2000 with two other large hospitals he was retained as Deputy Chairman of University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust, then the third largest trust in the UK.

In 2009 Mike became Chairman of the National Space Centre and he also joined the Board of De Montfort University and was appointed its Deputy Chair in February 2012. Mike is Pro Chancellor of the University.

• Liz Kendall MP (Leicester West)

Liz Kendall is the Labour MP for Leicester West, elected on 6 May 2010. She is a member of Labour's frontbench team, attending the Shadow Cabinet as the Shadow Minister for Care and Older People. She is the Director of the Ambulance Service Network and the Director of the Maternity Alliance charity.

She has worked for two 'think-tanks': the Institute for Public Policy Research, where she was the Associate Director for health, social care and children's early years; and the King's Fund, where she was a researcher on the public health programme focussing on tackling local health inequalities.

• Dr Nitin Joshi, GP

Nitin Joshi has been a GP for the past 22 years.

His main interest is in integrating care across health and social care. He realised that for many of his elderly patients, an integrated approach was needed, taking into account mental, social as well as medical factors that determined their wellbeing. After joining the Leicester City Commissioning Group in 2010, he set up an integrated care model with 2 other practices in 2011.

He is the Lead Clinician for Frail Older People in the Better Care Together Programme, which is a five year planned programme that includes the County as well as the City.

• Emily Georghiou, National Adviser, Age UK

Emily Georghiou is Local Influencing Adviser for Age UK, working to improve later life experience for our ageing population. She has developed the Age Action Alliance network - with Government, older people and cross sector organisations - to promote positive attitudes and practical solutions, and provided UK Secretariat to AGE Platform Europe (2013-2014). She is active in her community and Deputy Chair of Lambeth and Southwark Mind.

As a passionate advocate for equality, rights and civic empowerment and a champion of diversity, Emily has previously worked in a range of roles to promote social justice.

Emily was educated Bristol, and at Ruskin College Oxford, she went on to read Politics and Philosophy. At the University of Hull, she was elected Vice President (Education & Representation).

• Ranjit Thaliwal, Solicitor, Thaliwal and Co Solicitors

Ranjit Thaliwal is a qualified solicitor specializing in the area of Mental Health Law.

He is a member of the SRA Mental Health Review Tribunal Panel and regularly presents to mental health organisations, support groups, professional and charities.

He retains a guest lecturer status at the Leicester DMU teaching on the medical law and ethics course as well as on mental health nursing modules.

He is a member of the Midland Asian Lawyers Association and the Legal Aid Agency Funding Review Committee.

• Penny Tremayne, Senior Lecturer (Adult Nursing), DeMontfort University

Penny Tremayne has been a Senior Lecturer in the School of Nursing & Midwifery at De Montfort University since 1999. She qualified as nurse in 1989 and has been a Ward Sister at Northants Hospital.

She is a module leader for pre-registration nursing students with focus on older persons. She ensures students are trained as older persons' champions and the older persons' have a dementia champion. Her real interests lie in promoting older persons' health and wellbeing and enabling them to remain independent for as long as possible.

She is a reviewer for the Nursing Standard, has co-edited two books and has published 20 articles in nursing journals.

• Dr David Sharp, Director, Leicestershire and Lincolnshire Area, NHS England

David has been a director in the NHS since 2000. He is an Accountant. He holds a Doctorate in Business Administration and is a part time professor with specialties in change management and also in the funding of healthcare.

David has been Chief Executive and Finance Director in NHS organizations in Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire and took on his recent role as Director within NHS England (Leicestershire and Lincolnshire Area Team) in November 2012. His experience in the NHS includes acute, mental health and primary care. He is recently published in the field of Evidence Based Healthcare Management.

- Cllr Rita Patel, Assistant City Mayor, Adult Social Care
- Elaine McHale, Interim Strategic Director, Adult Social Care