

Ms Sukhvinder Kaur-Stubbs

Lay Member of Council



Biography

Sukhvinder is Chief Operating Officer for Britain's Personal Best, one of the four Olympic legacy projects. Previously, Sukhvinder was CEO of the Barrow Cadbury Trust a grant-making foundation rooted in Birmingham and of the Runnymede Trust, a think tank on race relations. In these roles, Sukhvinder helped to improve national and European legislation on equality, secured the addition of the question on religion in the census and was the UK representative in the European delegation to the UN World Conference in Durban. Her career in the voluntary sector spans over 30 years and her efforts were recognised by her peers in 2009, by electing her as Chair of Volunteering England.

Sukhvinder is herself a Brummie having grown up in Handsworth and Aston. She was 'plucked' from her inner city community to a prized place at Oxford and returned to the region from 1994 – 2006 as a Board Director. Her roles included membership of the Black Country Development Corporation, Advantage West Midlands (the Regional Development Agency) and then two terms on Severn Trent Water. She has served on various committees and public bodies in the region including Chair of the Secondary Education Commission for Birmingham City Council and a founder member of the Learning and Skills Council.

Now based in London, Sukhvinder continues to influence national policy. As a member of the Government's Better Regulation Taskforce, she chaired and authored reports on *Regulating for Civil Society* and *User Involvement in Social Care*. On the Prime Ministers Taskforce for Deprived Neighbourhoods, she advised on strategies to overcome multiple and compound disadvantage. She served five years with Consumer Focus and highlighted the importance of *Trusted Intermediaries* in the provision of essential services to marginalised communities. She is a single mum with a daughter aged nine.