

Tam Munro Bio

I have over 42 years' experience in urban regeneration, housing and tenant participation and community management. I have a commitment to address poverty and inequality in disadvantaged areas by improving policy and practice in urban regeneration. My key goal is to have a positive impact on the lives of ordinary people in communities and influence the mind sets of bureaucracy and politicians.

My background is that I started my working life in the shipyards as a marine engineer. While working in the yards, I became involved in trade unions and was a shop steward and convenor. The negotiating skills that I learnt from this have stood me in good stead over the years as I became a community activist.

My community development experience began in 1979, when I led the establishment of one of the first tenant management co-operatives, taking over the management of 200 homes in Yoker. After we'd modernised the houses, we moved on the thinking about local facilities. Over the last 40 years, we created a sports centre, a resource centre, money advice centre, child-care facilities, disabled project, addiction counselling, training campus and youth provision.

For the last 28 years, until Sept 2020, I worked as the manager of a local community centre/sports centre. On a voluntary basis, I chair the Yoker Resource Centre, the Glasgow Eco Trust and the Yoker Training Campus Board. I'm an Advisor to the local drugs peer education system for school children and was a Treasurer (until 2018) to two after school care groups in the local area. City-wide, I'm one of the Voluntary Sector Network representatives on Glasgow's' Community Planning Partnership North West Sector Board.

CV – Tam Munro

Employment

Community Co-ordinator - Peterson Park Hall	1992 to 2020
Engineer and Trade Union shop steward - Yarrows Shipbuilders	1982 to 1991
Manufacturing Engineer - Watson Brothers	1980 to 1982
Maintenance Engineer - Singer	1975 to 1980
Engineer - Connel Shipyard	1971 to 1975
Engineer - Whitehill Engineering Bathgate	1969 to 1971
Maintenance Engineer - Singer	1967 to 1968
Marine Engineer - Mobil Oil	1964 to 1966
Apprentice Engineer - Alexander Stephens and Sons	1959 to 1964

Voluntary Work

Whiteinch Centre Independent elected Chairperson	2021-present
Scottish Urban Regeneration Forum Board Member and Judge for the annual SURF awards	2012 to 2020
Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Board Voluntary Sector Network representative	2005 to present
DRC Generations Chairperson for 8 years and now Advisor to the Board	2004 to present
Blairdardie After School Care and Corpus Christi After School Care Treasurer	2004 to 2018
Glasgow Eco Trust Founder member and Chairperson	2001- Present
Tenant Participation Advisory Service Founder Member and Tenant Management representative	1981 – 1994
Yoker Resource Centre Founder member of community centre. Chairperson for 30 years	1981 -present
Spiers Tenant Management Co-operative Founder member of the first tenant management co-operative in Scotland in existing stock. Chairperson for 10 years	1979 - 1994

