

Last month we welcomed Sadie Reid as our new Community Development and Tenant Support Worker. You can read about Sadie's experience working in the community below.

I have worked in the community for over 25 years and have managed a number of programmes including Afterschool, Youth Family Support, Dance and Drama programmes and Summer Schemes. I also set up a number of development programmes such as inter-generational and inter community projects. I was a member of the Belfast community safety partnership group and worked on family support programmes across Belfast.



I have been a representative on various boards including Upper Springfield Development Company and Black Mountain Shared Spaces and I was also a representative on the local residents committee for 10 years. I have been providing community support for families across Belfast since 1990. More recently I worked as an Employability Mentor for Belfast Works and held outreach clinics across North Belfast. In this role I supported people accessing training or employment as well as mentoring people who were trying to get back to work by increasing their confidence and self-esteem.

I am very interested in tenant participation and keen to support and build positive relationships with NB housing tenants. Some ideas I have include developing programmes to encourage community participation including Cook It programmes, mental health awareness, employability, seasonal events such as Halloween / Christmas crafts, peace building programmes, community clean ups and fun days. I will be looking at ways to obtain community funding as well.

I am looking forward to working with all our NB housing tenants and would love to hear from tenants keen to promote and improve the area in which they live. We can build on any ideas together that will benefit the NB housing community. I can also help tenants with budgeting and benefit access and on a range of housing issues.

I can be contacted **by email @sadie.reid@nb-housing.org Whilst I am currently working from home you can still contact me at any time on the email or phone number above.**

I look forward to meeting you

Sadie Reid