

Karen Walsh Summary

About me

OD, coaching, psychology and the NHS have been the focus of my energy for the last 15 years. In the dim and distant past IT contracting paid for great holidays. I'm a Chartered Occupational Psychologist, qualified coach and trained in various psychometric questionnaires.

What draws me to the board

Living in London, I've really enjoyed connecting with OD practitioners at ODN Europe south east gatherings. Others' perspectives and stories spark so many ideas and I go away buzzing with energy. I enjoyed being a part of the ODN Europe conference committee in 2017 and helping with the marketing. This year, again, I'm a part of the marketing team. I'm also a member of the newly formed Twitter curation team.

It would be a fantastic opportunity to be more deeply involved with the development ODN Europe. It would be great to help grow the membership and to help develop additional ways for OD practitioners to connect with each other.

My areas of interest (should I be elected):

- the next generation of OD practitioners. As my children graduate and join the world of work I'm curious about their experiences and perspectives. This in turn has got me interested in growing the membership to include more of the next generation.
- the public sector. I bring my experiences of NHS and local government and seek to support those in the public sector to have their voice heard.
- The virtual space. I'm interested in harnessing digital technology to support ODNE. The power of social media and webinars has a lot to offer OD and artificial intelligence may offer us new possibilities.

Thank you for reading this and I hope to have your support.