



Board Member Profile

John Lynch: ADSO Director of Finance

John is the former Head of Democratic Services at Kent County Council having previously worked in similar roles for the London Boroughs of Islington, Richmond upon Thames, Camden and Lambeth.

John is a qualified internal IIP Assessor, Mentor and coach and has run a range of training courses for officers and members across the country over the years. He is also the ADSO Finance Director responsible managing the authorities finances on a day to day basis. He is a qualified Regional Advisor supporting learners undertaking the Certificate and Diploma in Democratic Services Practice.

John is passionate about seeing staff properly supported and developed and for ADSO to continue to grow and expand in the future. For someone who started work when everything had to be sent to a typing pool and you had to walk round a collating table to manually put your agenda papers together, new technology has been one of the biggest changes for the better. This has enabled staff to work much more efficiently and flexibly and to take on a wider range of roles and responsibilities and for the public to have greater access and involvement in decision making than ever before.