



Association of  
**Democratic Services**  
Officers

## **Board Member Profile**

### **Carl Whistlecraft: ADSO Non-Executive Director**

Carl has over thirty years' experience of working in local government at Kirklees Council. He has worked in senior roles with a focus on strategic policy development and the support and development of governance, citizen engagement and place-based working.

He has extensive experience of working with elected councillors across the political spectrum and in a variety of roles and responsibilities. Particular achievements include strategically developing and leading the Kirklees Councillor Development Programme (winner of the Municipal Journal Awards) and leading on the nationally acclaimed [Kirklees Democracy Commission](#).

Carl retains his passion and belief in local democracy as demonstrated by his role in establishing [Notwestminster](#), a national network where people can share ideas for improving local democracy.

Carl is currently undertaking freelance work where he feels he can add value and where the work aligns with his own value and interests.