



# LOUISE BEAUMONT

Director of Quality & Care

## How long have you been with Sheffcare?

14 months.

## How did you get to this job?

I have a background in social care, and I've worked in different settings for over 35 years. I started my career with Mencap and was with them for 15 years with some internal promotions. I went into a specialist residential service working with children in a residential school, then into a large adult service as Registered Manager roles, working to Ofsted and CQC, then before coming to Sheffcare I was in an Operations Director position.

## What do you like most about the job?

The variety, you get the opportunity to be involved in everything from the day to day operations within the homes, attending events with other providers and meetings. I get to talk to lots of staff, residents, families. I see some good strong practice and people really focused on providing high quality standards of care. I am excited to lead on developments within Sheffcare.

## What's the hardest bit of the job?

When things haven't gone well and we need to look at things with a critical lens, we never set out to get things wrong, so I want to work with teams and families so that we learn, improve and develop our practice and knowledge.

## What do you like doing outside work?

Walking the dog, a chocolate lab called Sid. Gardening, I've got a greenhouse, seeing family. I'm a Trustee for Bluebell Wood children's Hospice.

## What is something surprising about you or something that people wouldn't know?

I've been in the army as medic in the Nursing Corp, and worked in a military hospital in Germany and two UK postings.

## What's an achievement or something that you're proud of?

Proud of, family and career, my Trustee work is very important to me, I have a 25 year old son, who works in education, pastoral care for non-attending kids.