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Committee of Governance

Profile of Candidate for Election 2025-2026

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

I am already a committee member and have thoroughly enjoyed this role, believing there is still much work to be done, particularly as we move towards a new phase of leadership (manager) and hopefully beyond Covid.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

I am particularly interested in a number of areas, interest groups including: communication, improving IT, enhancing and broadening the House's role within the community – particularly with youth, CALD and Aboriginal families.

I have a keen interest in all things Green and would love to be involved in the CoG's role in improving the House's policy in this regard. I am also very interested in how we maintain traditions - ensuring everything people love about the House, the culture, is maintained and encouraged how do we capture other voices, interest groups eg older people, single parent families, older men, - and lots to get involved in.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

I wish to achieve a greater sense of community for myself, SNH and for the CoG, the House. I would love to be able to walk around the community and for the general public to 'know' there is SNH. I still think there is a general lack of knowledge and understanding about Sussex NH.

I would hope my tenure achieves an implementation of systems and mechanisms which extend to safety, security and stability of the staff, community and CoG regarding risk management, IT and communication, ensuring there is an updated computer and software package to meet the needs of above; train the trainer...etc

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Bachelor of Social Work
- Certificate IV TAE 2017
- Diploma of Family History

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

I work at both DET: LOOKOUT Centre as a Practice Lead for Children & Young People in out of home care while also working at DFFH: Child protection with various roles namely as Practice Leader working with children, families regarding identifying risk, improving outcomes for safety, stability and developmental needs for children and young people particularly for those in out of home care.

Jay Balakrishna

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

I believe I can contribute to the committee, particularly in the area of risk management, strategy, and also compliance.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

Risk management, governance, compliance, quality assurance, and governance.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

Contribute ideas, have a functioning risk management framework, and assist in the other areas of the SNH.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Solicitor of Supreme Court of NSW.
- Fellow of the Governance Institute of Australia
- Member of RMIA
- Associate member of Law Society of NSW
- Bachelor of Economics (hons)
- Postgraduate Diploma in Law
- Graduate Diploma in Applied Risk Management & Corporate Governance

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

- International Programs Risk Advisor, Save the Children Australia
- Contractor undertaking Assurance Review for HESTA - mapping risk/assurance following Australian Prudential Regulatory Authority (APRA) and Australian Institute of Superannuation Trustees (AIST) standards
- Compliance Specialist, Monash College P/L
- Senior Analyst, (Regulatory Compliance, Investments) AustralianSuper
- Executive Director, Compliance, Goldman Sachs Asset Management (GSAM)
- Head, Regulatory Business, KFH Asset Management
- Assistant Head, Trusts & Investment Management Department of the Issues and Investment Division of the Securities Commission Malaysia (SCM)
- First Peoples Assembly of Vic in the area of Quality and Risk



Kristina Didelis

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

"Alone, we can do so little; together we can do so much..." - Helen Keller

Community is important to me; I grew up and reside in Glenroy and volunteering is a way to give a little back to an extra ordinary wellspring of people. My passion is about creating a positive future for people by tapping into our rich cultural and diverse socio makeup. I feel a strong alignment with the values of SNH and would be proud to be a part of and learn from a dedicated team of individuals who can make a difference in the lives of so many.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

I have a genuine interest in helping people and value their wellbeing no matter their age, gender or ability. This is by encouraging people's talents and wisdom and by enabling them to enrich their careers, educational, learning and creative journeys.

It is a great way to strengthen community...by supporting people and empowering them to 'live their lives and be in their best'.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

Work with SNH to continue to make the House a safe and neutral haven for people in regard to creating social connection and inclusion and everyday learning for whether it be for pleasure, gaining new skills or just a friendly get together and chat over a cuppa. As the career transitions coach, I would like to see a strategy for local and sustainable jobs and assistance for those who are experiencing employment barriers and courses for Job apps, resumes and interview skills. Finally as the artist and maker I would like to build on the existing arts and crafts offerings by establishing immersive and creative community projects. What better way to induce collective healing than by making something together, telling stories and by using our hands and hearts to create.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Graduate Diploma Vocational Education and Training (Melb Uni)
- Bachelor of Fine Arts (RMIT)
- Cert 1V Training

Accreditations:

NLP Practitioner and Coach

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

- **KMD Associates – Director and Contractor 1998 – Current**
- **Client Base – Higher Ed, Public & Private Sector.** Provision of targeted learning and development solutions to organisations. Soft Skills approach, encouragement of continuous learning, managing change and coaching and mentoring
- **Project Ed People 2014 – Current.** People and learning solutions, building high functioning and engaged people and teams
- **Career Transition and Outplacement Services.** Coaching support for career transition and redeployment. Employment Services.
- **'Create and Make'** provision of running workshops/installations that promote wellbeing/mind fullness in workplaces, the community and in schools. Helping to build individual resilience, coping with ever changing world and working together in teams.



Roxanne Strauss

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

Having lived in the area since 2018, the opportunity to contribute to such a vital community hub, which has been a cornerstone in Pascoe Vale since 1991, was the reason I have agreed to be nominated again. With a strong background in human resources governance and extensive experience in organisational leadership and transformation, I was eager to bring my skills to support and enhance the mission of Sussex Neighbourhood House.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

On the Committee, I will represent the interests of local families, working professionals, and community members who value opportunities for connection, learning, and support. I am particularly interested in areas such as lifelong learning, wellbeing, inclusion, and community development, and I will advocate for programs that bring people together across different ages and backgrounds.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

Support the house's vision and strategy by ensuring programs and initiatives reflect the diverse needs of our community.

Bring a practical and collaborative approach to decision-making, supporting both employees and volunteers so they feel valued and empowered.

Promote sustainability and growth, whether through partnerships, resources, or innovative ideas that help the SNH thrive into the future.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Master of Management (Monash Uni)
- Bachelor of Commerce (Deakin Uni)
- Diploma in Positive Psychology
- Diploma in Group Facilitation

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

With over 20 years of experience leading teams and developing comprehensive People & Culture strategies, I have cultivated a deep understanding of governance, policy implementation, and risk management. My current role is the Head of People for Country Road Group and prior to this I worked in Community, Health and Disability for 10 years in roles such as People and Transformation Executive Lead for Everyday Independence, GM of People and Transformation at DPV Health and Chief People Officer for Spectrum Migrant Resource Centre. Prior to this I worked in Banking and Finance for 10 years.

I co-founded Lengo Australia in 2016, a registered not-for-profit supporting youth in Tanzania, where I currently serve as the Chairperson. I also serve on the Education sub-committee for my son's primary school.



Daniel Brugaletta

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

"Life is short – the fruit of this life is a good character and acts for the common good." - Marcus Aurelius

As a long-time resident of Pascoe Vale, I am motivated by the opportunity to make a positive difference in my community. I am drawn to the opportunity to support SNH's impact and its commitment to fostering local involvement and providing a valuable resource and support to our community.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

Governance, Risk Management, Not-for-profit, Financial Management

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

To make a positive difference and be supportive to the Committee and Management of the organisation in fulfilling its strategy.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Bachelor of Business (Accounting) – Completed 2005
- Graduate Diploma of Chartered Accounting (CA) – Completed 2007
- Advanced Diploma of Financial Planning – Completed 2013

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

- Chief Financial Officer/Company Secretary at *Australian Communities Foundation* (**Jan 2018 - Present**)
- Client Director at *Myer Family Company* (**Feb 2009 - Dec 2017**)
- Client Advisor/Company Secretary at *The Myer Foundation & Sidney Myer Fund* (**Oct 2015 - Dec 2017**)
- Volunteer Treasurer at *Moonee Ponds United SC* (**Oct 2022 - Present**)



Natalie Ginn

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

I agreed to be nominated for the Committee of Governance because I am deeply committed to contributing to the growth and improvement of our local community. Over the past 12 months in this role, I have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to be actively involved in the recruitment of COG members and the General Manager role, as well as mentoring staff.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

As a resident of the northern suburbs of Melbourne, I understand the unique needs and aspirations of this area. My focus has been on workforce development and community engagement, ensuring that the interests of local residents are represented. I am particularly passionate about fostering programs that support skills development, inclusivity, and social inclusion for diverse groups, including families, seniors, and culturally diverse individuals.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

I aim to continue strengthening community connections through initiatives that enhance workforce skills, increase participation, and ensure transparent governance. My goal remains to contribute to Sussex Neighbourhood House becoming a leading hub for community development and empowerment.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Graduate Certificate in HR Management
- Cert IV in Training and Assessment
- Certificate IV in Workplace Health and Safety

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

I have gained extensive experience in the not-for-profit sector, focusing on HR and aligning workforce strategies with business goals. I have led initiatives that improved workforce capability, engagement, and collaboration. My experience also includes preparing executive reports and conducting compliance reviews in Employee Relations (ER) and Industrial Relations (IR), ensuring adherence to best practices and industry standards.



Petras Harvie

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

Because I truly care about our community's wellbeing and believe my skills can help create a positive, supportive, and forward-thinking committee for Sussex NH.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

CALD, foreign community

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

Help create a better experience for attendees and ease the pressure on the finance/treasury team

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- CPA
- CMBD
- 3 years of treasury experience

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

- Treasurer of Mississaugas Of the New Credit First Nations | 2020-2023
- Saint Mary's Food Bank | 2010-2015



Jane Nixon

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I agreed to be nominated because I want to contribute my skills and experience to support the work of Sussex Neighbourhood House. I value the role neighbourhood houses play in fostering inclusion, connection, and opportunity, and I am keen to help guide the organisation strategically and ensure strong governance practices are upheld.

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

I will represent the interests of the local community with a focus on fostering participation, connection, and inclusion. Drawing on my background in community development, I am particularly interested in supporting initiatives that empower residents to contribute their skills and ideas, strengthen volunteer engagement, and ensure programs respond to the diverse needs and aspirations of the community.

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

During my tenure, I aim to support the Committee in fostering greater community participation and inclusion. I hope to contribute to initiatives that empower local residents to be actively involved in shaping programs and services, and build meaningful connections across the community. Through a community development lens, I want to help ensure the Neighbourhood House remains a welcoming and accessible space where everyone has the opportunity to contribute, learn, and thrive.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Master of Community and International Development
- Bachelor of Social Science (Policy & Research)

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

- Inclusive Enterprise & Local Jobs Coordinator & Strategic Lead - Banyule City Council (Oct 2018 - Present)
- Volunteer & Family Room Manager (Sep 2015 - Oct 2018)
- Community Services Program Officer (Sep 2012 - Sep 2015)
- Emergency Services Volunteer, Red Cross (2012 - 2020)



Colin Lenton

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Why did you nominate for the SNH Committee of Governance?

Believe I can contribute to the ongoing and future of the organisation.

Qualifications, Certifications & Associations

- Fellow Institute of Company Directors (FAICD)
- Fellow Australasian Mutual Institute (FAMI)
- Bachelor Business - Accounting

What areas, groups or special interests will you represent while on the Committee?

Governance and Finance

Work & Activity History over the last 10 years

- Director Platform Youth Support
- Chair Family First Bank
- Chair Bridge Business College
- Chair Huizing Harvest Australia
- Director Hotwork Australia
- Director Lucrin Australia
- Director Tawaqu Pty Ltd

What do you wish to achieve during your tenure and as an active member of Committee?

To contribute with the future of the organisation.