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Sue is a qualified social worker and an Associate with IPC. Her social care career, over 36 years, has spanned a variety of social care roles including management and leadership roles within local government. Sue has significant senior management experience including 6 years as a Head of Adult Social Care and the last 7 years as a Director of Social Services and Wellbeing before taking early retirement in September 2020.

Sue's style of leadership is grounded in a strong value base and has an emphasis on both communication and compassion. She has a strong track record of leading on large scale transformation by introducing new and innovative ways of working. This has included new prevention and wellbeing approaches, asset-based service delivery, new models of accommodation across a spectrum of services and health and social care integration. Sue is interested in partnerships and collaboration and as well as local authority knowledge and experience she has also worked in collaboration both regionally and nationally.

Sue has experience of being coached but also coaching others. She is a great believer in the power that is contained within an individual and recognises that sometimes it is just about a nudge and a little support in order to show itself. That's what coaching can do.