

James Olanipekun

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Jul 12 – Feb 13	Open College Network, London NVQ Level 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Excellence in Governance & Board Membership
October 2012	National Communities Resource Centre, Trafford Hall, Cheshire NVQ Level 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understanding Housing Management Performance Information
February 2012	National Communities Resource Centre, Trafford Hall, Cheshire Spreading Your Knowledge and Understanding
January 2012	Common Ground – East London Mediation, London Restorative Justice Facilitator
1995 – 1999	Friends International Christian University Bachelor of Practical Theology
1989 – 1990	The Institute of Commerce, London Second Class Certificate in Commerce
1982 – 1986	Ogun State College of Education, Ijebuode, Nigeria Nigerian Certificate in Education (NCE) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Education• Teaching Practice• History• Christian Religious Studies

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- Ability to build partnerships and relationships to meet strategic responsibilities
 - Skills and knowledge needed to provide strategic challenge
 - Sharing and dissemination of good practice and information
 - Scrutinising and monitoring multi million pound budgets
 - Enthusiasm, commitment and team work
 - Motivational Speaking, mediation, entrepreneurship
 - Published author and teaching
 - Complex problem solving, decision making and judgement
 - Financial planning, contracting services, marketing and project management
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PERSONAL PROFILE & SKILLS

2020-Present Treasurer Safer Neighbourhood board

- Overseeing Monetary distribution and allocation
- Quality control Manager

2019-Present Together with Tenant Member (National Housing Federation)

- One of 14 elected members Nationwide
- Representing the interest of Tenants in England

2019-Present Chair, Mile End, London Ward Panel

- Ward security overseers
- Working with Security agencies and Local government
- Reporting to Safer Neighbourhood board

2017-Present Chair, Estate Board

- Organising and chairing board meeting that comprise of 20 elected members

2016-Present Poplar Harca Ambassador

- The face of a £100bn Housing Association
- Representing and projecting the image of the organisation widely
- Chairing meetings

2014-Present Trustee, London borough of Tower Hamlets Street Pastors

- Management of group of volunteers patrolling the street in search of vulnerable individuals
- Signposting them to available services
- Working with relevant agencies.

2010 – 2014 Elected Co-Opted Member of Overview & Scrutiny Committee London Borough of Tower Hamlets

- Reviewing and / or scrutinizing decisions made or actions taken within the council
- Monitoring the effective implementation of decisions made or actions taken in connection with the discharge of the authority's functions
- Monitoring the performance of the services provided by or on behalf of the authority

EXPERIENCE

- Making reports and / or recommendations to the Council and / or the Cabinet and / or any place, joint or area committee in connection with the discharge of any functions and the improvement of the authority's services
- Considering any matter affecting the area or its inhabitants and any matter which has been placed on the agenda of the Committee by any councillor
- Balancing the power of the Cabinet by providing effective monitoring of the way in which Cabinet functions are discharged

2009 – 2016 **Vice Chair Poplar HARCA Board**

Chair of Poplar HARCA Services Board

Chair of Poplar HARCA Governance Committee

Poplar HARCA, Poplar, London

- Assisting the Chair of the Association in meeting his or her responsibilities and in particular helping to ensure the efficient conduct of the business at board meetings and at general meetings
- Standing in for the Chair whenever the Chair is unable to attend an event or meeting
- Establishing a constructive working relationship with, and provide support for, the Chief Executive, Corporate Directors and the Chair and ensuring the Board as a whole acts in partnership with executive staff; building a constructive relationship with and, between other Board Members
- Representing the organisation as appropriate
- Ensuring compliance with the National Housing Federation (NHF) Code of Governance
- Taking decisions delegated to the Vice-Chair
- Ensuring that the Association's affairs are conducted in accordance with generally accepted codes of performance and propriety
- Taking decisions (in the absence of the Chair) between meetings under Chair's action with the advice of the Chief Executive (and reporting back to the Board of Management)
- Chairing and facilitating meetings

2007 – Present

Trustee

Raines Foundation , London

- Setting targets for pupil achievement
- Managing the school's finances
- Making sure the curriculum is balanced and broadly based
- Appointing teachers and head teachers
- Reviewing and monitoring staff and head teachers performance and pay

1999 – Present

Clergy

Christ Apostolic Church

- To be the priest of the parish, having regard to the calling and responsibilities of the clergy of the Christ Apostolic Church (Worldwide), national Safeguarding policies, and all other relevant legislation, in accordance with *Guidelines for the Professional Conduct of the Clergy*
- Working with any other ministers in the parish and with members of the Church Council in the development of the church in the parish, having regard to the need for sustainability and effectiveness in mission
- Ensuring that a high standard of worship, preaching and pastoral care is provided
- Nurturing discipleship and develop the ministry of all God's people, through training, co-operation and support, encouraging all people as appropriate to take responsibility for the mission and ministry of the parish, and seeking to identify potential future leaders and ministers
- Encouraging parishioners to participate and to have regard to the mission planning
- Collaborating with others in the mission and ministry

1990 – 1995

Managing Director & Proprietor

Standard Services, Poplar, London

- Buying and selling vehicles internationally
- Organising freight forwarding
- Liaising and networking with international links
- Representing customers interests
- Setting the culture of the company
- Developing strategy and direction for the company
- Leading the executive/senior management of the company (including recruitment)
- Managing Financial and Physical resources

1988 – 1989

Shop Assistant

Makro, North Acton, London

- Welcoming and advising customers
- Stock display and replenishment
- Handling payments
- Arranging and unloading delivery
- Keep the shop floor clean and tidy

1986 – 1988

Station Manager

TNT Skypak, Lagos, Nigeria

- Developing and managing clientele base
- Developing sales strategies and overseeing sales activities to achieve set targets
- Establishing and maintaining excellent communications with clients, airlines, airport officials/vendors as well as the company's foreign business partners
- Developing policies and procedures to improve efficiency, cost control and productivity
- Selecting, directing, training, developing, disciplining and evaluating station staff
- Responsible for the overall management of sales, customer service, finance and administration of the station

INTERESTS

Board Games

World Travel

Reading & Writing

History & Social Policy

Swimming & Table Tennis

Mentoring & Training People

REFERENCES

Available Upon Request