

[Amanda Timberg and Darren Xiberras have been appointed as National Citizen Service Trust Board Members](#)

Amanda Timberg

Amanda has dedicated her career to improving access to opportunities so that young people have the tools they need to lead fulfilling lives. She currently leads digital skilling education for Google, enabling opportunities by creating relevant and engaging content and programming. As part of her role she founded and leads the global apprenticeship program.

Before Google, Amanda spent fifteen years in education charities in the UK and the US, working to develop and equip teachers and leaders to make an impact towards educational equity. Amanda started her career teaching primary school in Compton, California and worked at both Teach For America and the Los Angeles Unified School District in southern California. She holds an MSc in Voluntary Sector Management from the Cass Business School.

Darren Xiberras

Darren Xiberras is currently Chief Financial Officer of Cardiff University and a member of the University Executive Board. He oversees all aspects of the University's finances and financial performance.

Prior to joining Cardiff University, Darren was Chief Finance Officer at the University of South Wales having joined them in 2019. Immediately before that, he held the same role for the education charity Teach First where he also oversaw the Human Resources (HR), property and IT functions.

Prior to Teach First, Darren was Finance Director of ENGIE (formerly GDF Suez) UK's £350m turnover public sector division, delivering property services to a multitude of blue-chip public sector clients across the UK.

Darren has also been Director of Corporate Services for a national UK charity and held the role of Group Finance Director for an Alternative Investment Market (AIM) listed PLC delivering services to the public sector. He trained as an accountant with South Wales Electricity PLC.

Darren currently holds the chair for the Welsh Higher Education Finance Directors' Group (WHEFDG) and sits on the Executive Committee for the British Universities' Finance Directors' Group (BUFDG). Darren is a Trustee of the Difference Education Limited which works to reduce exclusion from mainstream schooling. He was also a co-opted member of the National Citizen Service audit and risk committee from 2019 to 2022.

Board Members of the National Citizen Service are not remunerated. These

appointments have been made in accordance with the Cabinet Office's [Governance Code on Public Appointments](#). The appointments process is regulated by the Commissioner for Public Appointments. Under the Code, any significant political activity undertaken by an appointee in the last five years must be declared. This is defined as including holding office, public speaking, making a recordable donation, or candidature for election. Amanda Timberg and Darren Xiberras have declared no activity.