

Gary Bandy is an independent consultant who helps public sector organisations with financial management problems. He has direct experience of working at a senior level in local government, including 3 years as the chief finance officer of a metropolitan council. His freelance work has extended his experience beyond local government to cover financial management in third sector organisations in the UK and has conducted international projects.

The breadth of knowledge and experience means Gary brings an unique and innovative perspective to the roles he takes on. He combines practical knowledge and experience of public financial management with commercial acumen and creative thinking.

Gary is the author of two books about financial management in the public sector and has wide experience of teaching public sector financial management at universities and elsewhere. Lately he has adapted his knowledge and experience to the production of online training courses.

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#### CURRENT ROLES

Public Financial Management Expert <i>Gary Bandy Limited</i>	2005–Now
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#### TEACHING/TRAINING/WRITING WORK

- Author of two public financial management textbooks
- Taught in-person and virtual courses on various aspects of public sector financial management at the University of Nottingham, Cardiff Business School, the College of Policing, Keele University and Warwick Business School
- Creator of short online courses on various aspects of managing public money
- Author of an online certificate in public financial management course for ACCA
- Wrote and delivered training on public financial management topics in Dubai, Ethiopia, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Uganda and Rwanda
- Contributing author to public financial management courses for the governments of Myanmar and Pakistan
- Designed and wrote a massive open online course (MOOC) and three finance for non-financial managers online courses for The Open University Business School
- Developed and delivered customised in-house training on financial management topics for local government bodies
- Technical reviewer of ACCA's Certificate in International Public Sector Accounting Standards
- Created an online course on commissioning and procurement for Warrington Council

## PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CONSULTING WORK

- Interim management roles as chief finance officer for General Medical Council, Bradford Academy and Lincolnshire Police.
- Provided financial advice (including contract drafting, bidder negotiations and the evaluation of bids) on the outsourcing of services by many local councils and police forces. Projects range from £4m a year to over £30m a year. Clients for these projects include Lincolnshire Police, Lincolnshire County Council, North East Lincolnshire Council, North Wales Police, North Yorkshire Police, North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service, Stoke-on-Trent City Council and West Midlands Police.
- Produced business cases for various shared services projects including the sharing of planning services by the districts in Surrey and the introduction of police housing
- Reviewed the financial model and gain share mechanism of a £250m energy from waste deal for Lincolnshire County Council.
- Written financial procedures and regulations, and provided advice on good financial governance, for Rotherham Council and Lincolnshire Police
- Researched the effectiveness of the UK's marketplace for forensic science services on behalf of The Open University's Centre for Police Research and Learning.
- Developed and presented a value for money framework to a conference of African senior budget officials in Johannesburg

Independent member of Audit and Governance Committee  
*Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council* 2022–Now

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## PREVIOUS ROLES

Director of Financial Services 2002–2005  
*Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council*

Assistant Director of Finance 1997–2002  
*Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council*

Consultant – Local Government Finance 1997  
*Department for Constitutional Development, South Africa*

Finance & Project Manager 1995–1997  
*London Borough of Lambeth*

Audit Supervisor 1994–1995  
*Ernst & Young, Manchester*

Assistant Group Accountant 1989–1994  
Trainee Accountant 1986–1989  
*Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council*

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## VOLUNTARY WORK

Friends of Ibba Girls School, South Sudan

2014–now

### **Trustee and Honorary Treasurer**

Responsible, along with the other trustees, for the proper running of a UK-registered charity with an annual income of over £400,000. As treasurer, responsible for providing financial advice to the trustees, managing cash and bookkeeping. Since taking over, I have transferred the financial systems to a cloud-based service and visited South Sudan to recruit a finance manager for the school.

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## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (since 1990)

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## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Public Financial Management in a Changing World

2013

### **Harvard Kennedy School of Government**

Master's in Public Administration (Distinction)

2002–2005

### **Warwick Business School**

CIPFA professional qualification

1986–1989

### **Leeds Polytechnic**

BSc (H.i) in Mathematics

1983–1986

### **University of York**

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## PUBLICATIONS

Bandy, G. and Metcalfe, A. (2021). *Rethinking Public Financial Management*. London: ACCA

Bandy, G. (2018). *International Public Financial Management: Essentials of Public Sector Accounting*. Abingdon: Routledge

Bandy, G and Hartley, J (2018). Debate: When spending less causes a problem, *Public Money & Management*, 38:1, pp52-54. DOI: 10.1080/09540962.2017.1389537

Bandy, G. (2016). A Framework for Improving Value for Money. In *10th Annual CABRI Seminar: Value for Money in Public Spending*. Johannesburg: CABRI.

Bandy, G. (2015). *Financial Management and Accounting in the Public Sector*. 2nd edition. Abingdon: Routledge (3rd edition due late 2022)

Bandy, G., Crouch, A., Haenni, C., Holley, P., Larsen, C., Penlington, S., Price, N., and Wilkins, C. (2008). *Building From Common Foundations*. Geneva: World Health Organization.