

As director of women's chess I want to improve chess for women in England. It is essential to keep teenage girls playing chess as they transition into adulthood. I will do this by arranging team coaching days which would be social yet serious. I will help the English Ladies Championship grow in numbers and encourage more women to compete in the British Championships. I will liaise with the director of junior chess and education and director home chess. I want to instil the belief that women are as good at chess as men and help them to be seen on an equal footing. This will encourage women to work harder, aim higher and not settle for 'women's prizes'. We currently have a lot of promising players. The long term aim is for women's chess in England to improve significantly.