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I have been a Police Officer for over 20 years, the majority of which has been in Uniform Operational roles and I have now served with Cleveland Police, Cumbria Constabulary and Derbyshire Constabulary.

I am originally from Lymm in Cheshire, and I attended school and university in Manchester. I studied Metallurgy and Mechanical Engineering for four years and achieved a BSc Jt Hons. I applied to join Cleveland Police in 1987 and moved up to the North East and began working at Hartlepool.

I enjoyed my time at Cleveland, quickly specialising in Roads Policing and I became their first female Officer to work on their Armed Response Team. I also carried out Uniform duties as a Sergeant and Inspector at different stations and Divisions. I gained experience in Training, the Chief Constable's Staff Office, Professional Standards and on various Force Projects. I particularly enjoyed a secondment overseas to Germany where I worked at EXPO 2000 in Hannover.

I was promoted in 2002 to Superintendent where I became the Operations manager within Redcar and Cleveland BCU which has a mix of rural and urban policing, and also significant major incident potential due to Teesport, the former ICI Wilton site and the deepest mine in Europe at Boulby Potash. In February 2004 I temporarily took over the BCU Command.

In August 2005 I transferred Forces on substantive promotion and joined Cumbria Constabulary where I was appointed BCU Commander in South BCU. This gave me the opportunity to lead on issues in Barrow and Kendal, as well as the Lake District National Park areas of Windermere, Ambleside and Coniston. I was also the Force Gender Champion and lead on Internal Staff Support matters. I was the Branch

Secretary of Cumbria Superintendents Association (and the former Chair at Cleveland).

I completed the Strategic Command Course in December 2006 and successfully applied for an Assistant Chief Constable position at Derbyshire Constabulary. I took up my post on April 2nd as ACC Support which involves a portfolio including Personnel, Diversity, Learning and Development, Criminal Justice, and Contact Management.

My ACPO responsibilities include

- leading on Age issues on behalf of the Service, and sitting on the Leadership work stream and Progression portfolio
- Service lead on HMIC Thematic “Leading from the Frontline” looking at future development of sergeants
- Sitting on ACPO Progression Group

I am a keen fitness enthusiast which includes Skiing, Mountain Biking, Walking and regular training at the Gym, and represent the east Midlands in terms of CPOSA and Police Sport UK. I also mentor individuals through the ACPO Women’s Forum. Finally, I enjoy films, socialising with my family and friends, reading and food!