

MARGARET WOOD

DEPUTY CHIEF CONSTABLE

ACPO TERRORISM AND ALLIED MATTERS



Margaret Wood is the Deputy Chief Constable for ACPO Terrorism and Allied Matters. This newly created position sees Mrs Wood co-ordinating work across the service to build capacity and capability for counter-terrorism. Significant progress this year has been the creation of Counter Terrorist Units (CTUs) and Counter Terrorist and Intelligence Units (CTIUs) key locations across England and Wales. Reporting directly to the Chair of ACPO(TAM), Assistant Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, Andy Hayman, DCC is responsible for the day to day management of ACPO (TAM) resources and has the responsibility for the delivery of a 3 year programme to support the governments' Contest Strategy.

DCC Wood is the Chair of ACPO (TAM) Finance and Workforce Planning Board, which is a funding board, which oversees the allocation of Home Office Counter Terrorism, funding to the police service.

Margaret was brought up in Sussex. She graduated from Leeds University where she obtained a degree in economics and history and worked for British Telecom for a year before joining West Yorkshire Police in 1981. She undertook a number of varied roles before becoming Divisional Commander for Pontefract Division where she established innovative units to tackle issues such as drugs, burglary and domestic violence. She served with that force until 1998 when she was appointed Assistant Chief Constable with West Mercia Constabulary (Herefordshire, Shropshire, Telford and Worcestershire) where she had responsibilities for Specialist Operations (Major

Crime, Public Order, Extremism, Road Policing and Call Handling), and led for the force on embracing Diversity.

Margaret's experience has included the management of two particularly sensitive and high profile cases of death by hanging; the management of linked series of two murders, and an attempt murder across three Forces, together with a Police Complaints Authority supervised investigation into a fatal shooting in another Force.

Margaret is married to Michael (a former senior police officer) and they live in a Worcestershire village with their two sons. Their leisure time as a family is very important and whether playing sport, walking, reading, cooking, gardening, travelling or meeting friends, they find there are never enough hours in the day.