

SHARON TAYLOR
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DEVON AND CORNWALL CONSTABULARY



Sharon Taylor was appointed as ACC Business Change for Devon and Cornwall Constabulary in April 2008. Her portfolio of responsibilities includes being the Force lead in the areas of shared services and regional collaboration. Sharon was on secondment to Devon and Cornwall for ten months as ACC Citizen Focus, prior to her current role.

Sharon had over 23 years service with the Ministry of Defence Police (MDP). She has a wide range of experience, serving in 16 different roles in the UK. She has been operational at every level of her service. She has been a Divisional Commander, Head of Divisional Operations, worked with HMIC on BCU inspections in the north of England and also has staff officer and training experience. More recently, she was appointed as temporary ACC in 2004, with responsibility for HR, Learning and Development, Professional Standards and International Policing (MDP have up to 100 officers overseas). Sharon successfully completed the Strategic Command Course in 2005.

She has also been Head of the Professional Standards Department, and was seconded to Cambridgeshire Constabulary from February 2007. She assumed the role of force lead for regional collaboration for Cambridgeshire and also completed a strategic review of their firearms capability.

Sharon joined the MDP after graduating with the University of Lancaster. She achieved a Distinction in her Master's Degree with Middlesex University in Police Management in 2001.

Sharon is the first person in the history of the MDP to achieve the rank of ACC with another force.

She currently lives in Mid Devon with her partner and two boys, aged 12 and 15. She enjoys Tai Kwon Do, playing hockey and spending quality time with her family.